

A Comprehension Skills

Categorising

Read the text and blacken the correct answer.

20th December, 2XXX

Dear Johnny,

How are you? I am on a month's study tour in Canada.

It is cold and snowy here. In our free time we play ice hockey, go ice-skating and go skiing. I have a lot of fun.

See you in January.

Yours,
Alice



Circle the things in the text that Alice does in her free time. What group do these things belong to?

B Text Type Features

Read Part A again and blacken the correct answer.

1. This is a _____.
○ A. notice
○ B. postcard
2. What is put in □?
● A. Johnny
○ B. Alice

E Word Power

Weather

David is writing about the seasons. Fill in the blanks with the correct words. Use each word ONCE.

cloudy	foggy	cold	hot	windy
snowy	wet	stormy	sunny	cool
				dry

It is (1) foggy in spring. It is hard to see things far away. It is (2) wet too. It rains often.

Summer is (3) hot, so I use a paper fan to keep myself cool. On a (4) sunny day, we can have a picnic on the beach. On a (5) stormy day when there is lightning and thunder, we have to stay at home.

It is (6) cold in autumn, so we usually wear T-shirts with long sleeves. On a (7) windy day, we like to fly kites. It may rain on a (8) cloudy day, so we take our umbrellas when we go out.

It is (9) cold in winter, so I usually put on a coat. It is (10) dry too, so my lips often crack. I like to dream about a (11) snowy day in Hong Kong. I would make a snowman and ride a sledge!

D Reading Comprehension

Serene is reading.

17th July, 2XXX

Dear Serene,

How have you been? I am having a fun time with Mum and Dad in Japan!

5 It is summer here now. The sky is blue with fluffy white clouds in it. It is very hot. Going out in the sun makes me sweat.

There are beautiful temples here but the delicious sushi and ramen noodles are 10 my favourite things. I also love to eat 'anpan', a popular Japanese snack. It is made of soft bread with sweet red bean paste inside.

Tomorrow, we will go to the aquarium. 15 There are all kinds of sea creatures there. I will e-mail you some photos soon!

Yours,
Melody



Serene Au
Flat B, 6/F
Breezy Building
35 Sunny Street
Wan Chai
Hong Kong

a. Blacken the correct answer.

1. What does Melody like best about Japan?
- A. the scenery B. the buildings
 C. the weather D. the food

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2. What is 'anpan'?

- A. sushi B. ramen
 C. red bean paste D. bread

3. What animals will Melody see the next day?

- A. pandas B. seals
 C. bats D. ostriches

- b. Serene is writing an e-mail to Melody. Fill in each blank with ONE word from the text.

Dear Melody,

Thank you for your postcard. The weather in Hong Kong is (1) hot too. I usually (2) sweat a lot in the sun. My hair gets dripping wet!

I am looking forward to your beautiful (3) photos!
I hope I can go to Japan soon. Talk later!

Love,
Serene

- c. Answer the questions in complete sentences.

1. Who visits Japan with Melody?

Her parents visit Japan with her.

2. Read line 6. What does 'it' refer to?

It refer to the sky.

3. Which word in the text means 'light and soft'?

'Fluffy' means 'light and soft'.

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Understanding sequence

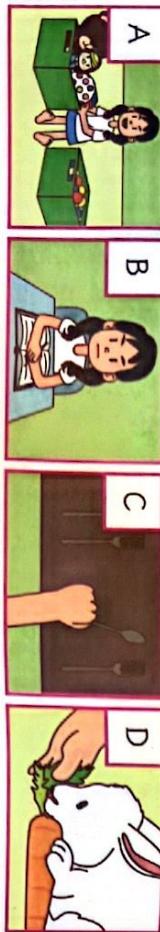
Read the text and answer the question.

Dear Molly,

I am going to visit Grandma today. When you come back from school, finish your homework first. Then, put away your toys. After that, feed Momo. Last of all, set the table. We are having spaghetti for dinner!

Love,
Mum

What does Molly do? Arrange the pictures in the correct order. Write the letters in the boxes.



B → A → D → C

Read Part A again and blacken the correct answer.

1. This is a _____.
 - A. postcard
 - B. note
2. Who receives this text?
 - A. Molly's mum
 - B. Momo
 - C. Molly

Housework
Fill in the blanks with the correct words. You may need to change the form of the verbs.

dust	feed	walk	fold up	hang up	put away
make	water	set	clear	sweep	mop
					vacuum

Today, Mum is sick. Tim and I want to help her, so we do the housework.

First, we (1) make our beds. Then, I (2) feed our dog, Pepper.



I (3) hang up the washing outside. Next, I (4) water Mum's plants. Then, I (5) dust the living room shelves with a feather duster. Tim (6) mops the floor with a broom. We (7) put away our toys and books. After that, Tim and I (8) walk Pepper in the park. When we come back, the washing is dry. We (9) fold up the clothes and put them in the wardrobe.

Dad comes home from work. He cooks dinner for us. I help to

- (10) Set the table. After dinner, Tim and I (11) clear the table. We wash the plates, forks and spoons. Dad gets a bucket of water and (12) sweeps the kitchen floor. Mum is very happy because we are helpful.

Stephen and Timothy's mother is writing.

Dear Stephen and Timothy,



I am going to the hospital to see your aunt and your new baby cousin. Please help me to do some things.

First, water the plants on the balcony. Then, put the dirty clothes into the washing machine and turn it on. After that, feed Spark and take him for a walk with Grandpa.

When you come back, take the clothes out of the washing machine and ask Grandpa to hang them up. Next, fold up the clean clothes that are in the basket in the bedroom. Put them in the wardrobe. Last of all, dust the shelves and ask Grandma to help vacuum the floor in the living room.

At five o'clock, Mrs Wong, who lives opposite us, will come

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to borrow a magazine. Please open the door for her. Dad will take you out for dinner, so you don't have to set the

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table. Thanks for your help!

Love,
Mum

**a. Blacken the correct answer.**

1. Why is Stephen and Timothy's aunt in the hospital?

O A. She is sick.
O B. She is hurt.

O C. She has just given birth.
O D. She is a nurse.

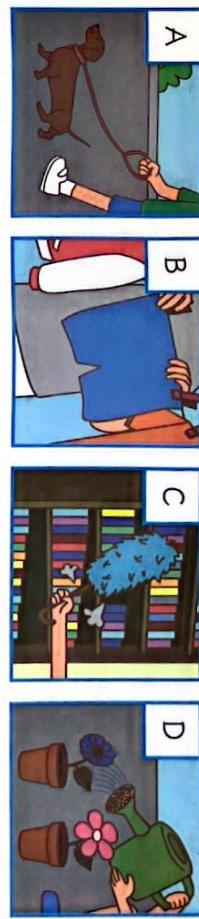
2. What don't the boys need to do today?



3. Why does Mrs Wong come to Timothy's house?

- O A. She lends a magazine to the boys.
- B. The boys' mother lends a magazine to her.
- O C. She buys a magazine for Timothy's mother.
- O D. She has dinner with the boys.

b. Arrange the pictures in the correct order. Write the letters in the boxes.



c. Answer the questions in complete sentences.

1. Who walks Spark?

Stephen and Timothy and their grandpa walk Spark

2. Read line 10. What does 'them' refer to?

It refers to the clean clothes.

3. Who vacuums the floor?

Stephen and Timothy's grandma vacuums the floor.

A Comprehension Skills

10 Eliminating wrong answers

Read the information text and blacken the correct answer.

Bats can fly but they are not birds.

They are small animals with furry bodies.

They can hear well with their big ears.



Bats sleep in the day and look for food at night. Some bats eat insects, while others eat fruit. Some bats even drink the blood of cows and horses!

1. Which sentence is TRUE?

○ A. Bats are a type of bird.

○ B. Bats have large bodies.

○ C. Bats come out in the day.

● D. Bats have good hearing.

2. Which of these is NOT food for bats?

○ A. blood

○ B. fruit

● C. grass

○ D. insects

Read the options and compare them with the text. Put a tick '✓' or a cross '✗' at the end of each option.



Read Part A again and blacken the correct answer.

This information text tells us _____ about bats.

○ A. stories

● B. facts

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E Word Power

10 Wild animals

Guess the riddles. Fill in the blanks with the correct words.

hare giraffe gorilla crocodile tiger bat
tortoise leopard lion monkey rhino snake hippo

1 I have striped fur and big, strong jaws.

Watch out for my long, sharp claws!

I am a tiger.

2 I'm big and strong, but I'm usually gentle.

I look like a monkey and I'm very clever.

I am a gorilla.

3 I am a big animal with one or two horns. My thick skin protects me from thorns.

I am a rhino.

4 I look like a rabbit, but I don't dig holes. I can run as fast as the wind blows.

I am a hare.

5 I have a huge mouth. I am heavy, not light!

I swim in the day and eat grass at night.

I am a hippo.

6 I wait in the water for something to eat.

My favourite food is juicy fresh meat.

I am a crocodile.

7 I stand near the tall trees. I like to eat their tasty leaves.

I am a giraffe.



Louis is reading an information text.

There are snakes all over the world.

Snakes are found in the mountains, in deserts and in the sea. Some of them live in trees, while others live in holes in the ground.



Snakes look wet and slimy, but their scaly skin feels dry. Snakes can smell well with their noses. They can also use their tongues to smell!

Snakes are meat-eating animals. They use their sharp fangs to bite their prey. Snakes cannot chew, so they swallow their food whole.

c. Answer the questions in complete sentences.

1. Why do snakes swallow their food whole?

They swallow their food whole because

they cannot chew.

2. Why do snakes hiss?

They hiss to scare the enemies away.

3. Which word in the text means 'scared'?

'Frightened' means 'scared'

a. Blacken the correct answer.

1. What do snakes NOT eat?

- O A. rats
- B. carrots
- O C. snakes
- O D. chickens

2. Which sentence is TRUE?

- A. Snakes smell with their tongues and noses.
- O B. All snakes live on land.
- O C. Snakes are slimy.
- O D. Most snakes are dangerous.

3. The first paragraph is about _____ snakes live.

- O A. why
- B. where
- O C. when
- O D. how long

4. Read Paragraph 3. What are fangs?

- O A. claws
- O B. paws
- O C. teeth
- O D. tongues

b. Louis is talking about snakes. Fill in each blank with ONE word from the text.

Snakes usually (1) hide or escape when they see us. When a snake is afraid, it may (2) bite us.





Understanding one's feelings

Read the text and blacken the correct answer.

In the Playground

The children are running around
In the big and wide playground.
Together they laugh and sing
On a sunny spring morning.

Then the sky turns dark and grey.

The children have to stop their play.
They feel like they are going to cry,
When raindrops come down from the sky.

By Zoe Ng

How do the children **feel** when it rains?

- A. happy
- B. unhappy
- C. tired
- D. excited



Read Part A again and blacken the correct answer.

1. This is a _____.

- A. story
- B. poem

2. Which pair of words rhymes?

- A. 'cry' and 'sky'
- B. 'play' and 'sky'
- C. 'grey' and 'cry'



Adjectives for describing people

Fill in the blanks with the correct words.

hard-working helpful polite rude tidy
funny honest untidy patient

Leo:

I like my family. My father is a (1) funny person who always tells jokes that make us laugh. My mother is a (2) patient person. I learn slowly, but she teaches me again and again without getting angry.

My brother Tim is (3) honest. He does not tell lies. My sister Sarah is a (4) tidy girl because she always puts things back after using them. On the other hand, I am (5) untidy as I seldom clean up after

playing.

Jeff:

But Leo, you are a (6) hard-working boy because you hand in all of your homework on time.

Leo:

Thank you for your praise. Jeff, you are a good student too. You are (7) polite as you always greet our teachers. I like your sister also because she is (8) helpful. She always helps others.

Polly:

Leo and Jeff, your siblings are so good! My sister is quite

(9) rude as she does not greet anyone.

My mother always scolds her.



My friends and their siblings

Joe and John are tidy boys.
They put away their clothes and toys.

Every day they make their beds.
Their mother often pats their heads.

Their sister Jane doesn't clean her room.
She never picks up a mop or broom.

Her room looks just like a pigsty.
She always makes her mother sigh.

Hard-working Sally tries her best.
She studies hard for every test.

Sally is honest and polite.
She always does what is right.

Her brother Sam is very rude.
He talks with his mouth full of food.

He doesn't say 'thank you' or 'please',
Or 'pardon me' after a sneeze!

By Owen Tse

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2. Read line 8. How does Jane's mother feel?
 ○ A. bored ○ B. tired ● C. disappointed ○ D. excited
3. Which word does NOT describe Jane?
 ● A. rude ○ B. untidy ○ C. lazy ○ D. messy
4. What is the best title for this text?
 ○ A. Good children
 ○ B. My bad friends
 ● C. My friends and their siblings
 ○ D. My siblings

b. Match the pictures to the names. Write the letters in the boxes.



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|----------|---|
| 1. John | D |
| 2. Jane | B |
| 3. Sam | C |
| 4. Sally | A |

c. Answer the question in a complete sentence.

Which word in the text rhymes with 'right'?

Polite rhymes with 'right'.

1. Read line 4. How does Joe and John's mother feel?
 ○ A. angry ○ B. unhappy
 ○ C. disappointed ● D. pleased

A Comprehension Skills

Finding the meaning of unfamiliar words

Read the instructions and answer the questions.

Marble Shooting Game

1. Draw a big circle on the ground with chalk.

2. Each player picks one marble called a 'shooter'.

3. Put the rest of the marbles in the centre of the circle.

4. Players must stay outside the circle and use their 'shooter' marbles to try to knock marbles out of the circle.

5. When a player makes a marble roll out of the circle, he or she can keep it.

6. The game is over when the circle is empty. The winner is the player who has the most marbles.



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B Word Power

Actions related to games

The animals are talking about the games they like best. Fill in the blanks with the correct words. Use each word ONCE.

chase hide hop shake hit
shuffle pull throw roll touch find

Frog :

I like playing hopscotch. I can (1) hop
a beanbag at a square and I can (2) throw
from square to square.

Ox:

Tug of war is my favourite game. I am strong, so I
can (3) pull the rope very hard.

Hare:

My favourite game is tag. It is fun to (4) chase
my friends, (5) touch them and win.

Chameleon:

I think hide-and-seek is more fun than tag. I cannot
run fast, but I can (6) hide very well.
My friends can't (7) find me easily.

Cat:

I like board games. I like to (8) roll
the dice.

Gorilla:

I like card games better. I like to (9) shuffle
the cards with my big hands.

Duck:

I like Snap because I can (10) hit
the cards with my quick wings.

Monkey:

I like rock-paper-scissors. Let's (11) shake
our hands from left to right while counting from 1 to
3, then form a shape with them!

Duck:

Don't count me in! I can't make my wings into shapes!

B Text Type Features

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Text Type Features

Read Part A again and blacken the correct answer.

The instructions are about _____.

- A. what marbles do
- B. where to buy marbles
- C. how to play marbles

Serene is reading some instructions.

How to Play Snap

- Two or more players can play this game. Shuffle a pack of cards. Give each player the same number of cards.
- Players put their cards face down in a pile. They cannot sneak a peek at their cards or anyone else's cards.
- Each player takes turns to flip over the card on top of their pile. Put the cards in the centre of the circle of players.
- When two top cards match with each other, the first player to hit the cards and shout 'Snap' can keep all the cards in the centre.
- If a player slaps the cards when there are no matching cards, he or she has to give one card to each of the other players.
- Players who lose all their cards are out of the game. The player who gets all the cards is the winner.

a. Blacken the correct answer.

- Read Rule 1. What does 'shuffle' mean?



- O A. O B. O C. O D.

- Serene and Louis start playing a game of Snap. Serene has twenty-five cards. How many cards does Louis have?
 O A. 15 O B. 25 O C. 35 O D. 45



b. Answer the questions in complete sentences.

- How can we win the game?
 When we get all the cards, we can win the game.
- Timothy, Serene, Emily and Paul are playing the game. Timothy hits the cards by mistake. How many cards does he need to give to the others altogether?
He needs to give three cards to the others altogether.
- Which phrase in the text can replace 'hits the cards'?
'Slaps the cards' can replace 'hits the cards'.

c. Answer the questions in complete sentences.

- Read Rule 1. What does 'shuffle' mean?
He needs to give three cards to the others altogether.
- Which phrase in the text can replace 'hits the cards'?
'Slaps the cards' can replace 'hits the cards'.

A Comprehension Skills

Looking for specific information in the text

Read the conversation and answer the questions in complete sentences.



Joey: Do you want to join the basketball team? We have our practice on Saturdays.

Bess: I'm not free on Saturdays. I have a guitar lesson in the morning and English tuition in the afternoon.

Joey: Oh. Are you free on Sundays?

Bess: Sorry, I'm not. I have swimming lessons in the morning. Then, I study with my Mathematics tutor. In the evening, I visit my grandparents.

Joey: (X) Your weekends are so busy!

(1) Circle 'Sundays' and 'evening' in the text.

What does Bess do then?

(2) Add -s to the verb for 'He / She / It'.

(3) Change 'my' to 'his' or 'her'.

1. What does Bess do on Sunday evening?
She visits her grandparents on Sunday evening.

2. When does Bess study English?
She Studies English on

Saturday afternoon.

(1) Circle 'English' in the text.
(2) On what day does Bess have English tuition?
(3) What time of the day is it?

B Text Type Features

Read Part A again. Write and circle.

1. Joey and Bess are talking in the conversation.
2. What is put in (X)? (Wow! Oops)

C Comprehension Skills

Word Power

Fill in the blanks with the correct words.



kung fu	ballet	piano	craft	ice-skating
tutor	choir	Brownies	Cub Scouts	riding



Do you have any hobbies?



I like going to (1) ballet lessons. I like to wear



my pink tutu.



I go to (2) Cub Scouts every Friday. I put on my



uniform and hat.



I go to (3) choir practice after school on



Wednesdays. Our conductor leads us and we sing.



I go (4) ice-skating on Saturdays. I like to spin



around on the ice.



I like to cut out paper animals and flowers in my



(5) craft lessons.



I like playing the (6) piano.



. I am performing in a concert on Friday.



I am learning to punch and kick in my (7) kung fu



lessons every Saturday.



I go to horse-(8) riding lessons because I like



horses. How about you, Amy?



I'd like to go cycling every weekend, but I can't as I need



to study with my Maths (9) tutor until I can



pass my tests.

Louis and Timothy are talking. Read what they say.

Louis:

Do you want to see the new film, 'Dino World'? Are you free on Saturday?

Timothy: Sorry, I'm not. I go to Cub Scouts on Saturday mornings. After that, I have a tennis lesson. At six thirty, I have a piano lesson. Do you have time on Sunday?



Louis: I'm busy on Sundays. I go to church in the morning with my parents. Then, we visit my grandmother and have lunch at her house. I have a violin lesson after that.

Timothy: Oh! The school holidays start next week, so we don't have school on weekdays. Are you free on Monday?

Louis: Yes, I am! I study with my home tutor from ten o'clock to noon, but I'm free after that.

Timothy: That's great! Let's meet at Sunny Cinema. See you on Monday.

a. Blacken the correct answer.

1. Louis plays the violin on _____.

- O A. Saturday mornings O B. Saturday afternoons
O C. Sunday mornings O D. Sunday afternoons

2. What does Timothy do on Saturday evenings?

O A.



O B.



O C.



O D.



3. Louis and Timothy are going to see 'Dino World' _____.
O A. at 3 p.m. on Saturday O B. at 10 a.m. on Sunday
O C. at 11 a.m. on Monday ● D. at 3 p.m. on Monday

- b. **Timothy is talking about Louis. Fill in each blank with ONE word from the text. You may need to change the form of the words.**

Louis has a (1) busy day on Sunday. He (2) goes to church in the morning. Then, he has lunch at his (3) grandmother's house and plays the (4) violin after that.

c. Answer the questions in complete sentences.

1. Why don't the boys have school on Monday?

They do not have school on Monday because it is a school holidays.

2. Who has lunch with Louis on Sunday?



- He has lunch with his grandmother and his parents on Sunday.

3. Where is Louis on Monday morning?

- He is at home on Monday morning.

A Comprehension Skills

Worded differently

Read the texts and blacken the correct answer.

Basketball	Contents	Page
Text by Eric Lee Pictures by June Loh Sunny Books		
Chapter		
1 History of basketball	2	Pansy:
2 Basketball rules	5	I like watching (1) <u>badminton</u> games. The shuttlecock flies around so fast!
3 Famous basketball players	9	Jenny:

1. Who illustrated the book? _____

○ A. Eric Lee

○ B. Sunny Books

● C. June Loh

2. Chapter 3 is about _____. _____

○ A. how to play basketball

● B. well-known people who play basketball

○ C. basketball in the past

Look for a word or phrase in the text that has the same meaning as 'illustrated'.

Read the options.

Which option has a similar meaning to the title of Chapter 3?

Judy: I like watching (4) volleyball fan. It is exciting to see players kicking the ball into the goal!

Oliver: I am a (3) football fan. It is exciting to see players can only hit the ball with their hands and arms.

Hansel: I prefer watching (5) tennis matches. A good player can serve many aces in one game.

Kenny: My father and I like playing (6) table tennis at the sports centre. He can hit the ball very fast with the bat!

Ivan: I am not good at ball games, but I am good at (7) swimming. I do not need to hold a float.

Johnson: I go (8) fencing every Saturday. I feel good when my sword touches the other player and I score a point.

Erica: Would you all like to go (9) cycling this Sunday? I must ask my father to help change my flat tyre first.

B Text Type Features

Read Part A again and blacken the correct answer.

- What is the text on the left?
 A. a book cover B. a back cover
- What is the title of the book?
 A. Basketball B. Sunny Books
- Who is the publisher?
 A. Eric Lee B. Sunny Books

C Word Power

Sports

Fill in the blanks with the correct words.

basketball	badminton	swimming	table tennis
football	tennis	volleyball	cycling
			fencing

Pansy: I like watching (1) badminton games. The shuttlecock flies around so fast!

Jenny: I like (2) basketball games more. I like to watch the players doing slam dunks.

Oliver: I am a (3) football fan. It is exciting to see players kicking the ball into the goal!

I like watching (4) volleyball fan. It is exciting to see players can only hit the ball with their hands and arms.

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Erica: Would you all like to go (9) cycling this Sunday? I must ask my father to help change my flat tyre first.

Louis is reading.

All About Ball Games



Text by Karen Chan

Illustrations by David Green

Joyful Press

Chapter	Contents	Page
1	History of ball games	1
2	Ball games played with hands	5
3	Ball games played with feet	7
4	Ball games played with bats	11
5	Ball games played with rackets	15
6	Other ball games	19

a. **Blacken the correct answer.**

1. This book is about _____.

O A. sports played with hands O B. sports played with bats

O C. sports played with balls O D. sports played in the past

2. Serene is reading about volleyball rules. Which page is she reading?

O A. page 3

B. page 6

O C. page 16

O D. page 21

B

b. Which chapters are these sentences from? Write the letters in the boxes.

A. There are eleven players in a football team.

B. In floorball, players hit a small ball with long sticks.

C. Table tennis is also called ping pong.

D. Basketball players cannot hold the ball and run.

1. Chapter 2

2. Chapter 3

3. Chapter 4

4. Chapter 6

D

A

B

c. Answer the questions in complete sentences.

1. Who drew the pictures in the book?

David Green drew the pictures in the book.

2. What is Karen Chan's job?

She is a writer.

3. Louis wants to learn about ball games that were played long ago. Which chapter does he read?

He reads Chapter One.

A Comprehension Skills

Making Inferences using clues

Amy is writing. Read the text and give a short answer.

2nd March, 2XXX

(X)

It was raining heavily in the afternoon. I did not have an umbrella or a raincoat, so I ran home in the rain. My hair and clothes were all wet when I got home! I need to go to bed now. I don't think I can go to school tomorrow.

B Text Type Features

Read Part A again and blacken the correct answer.

1. This is a _____. A. letter B. diary entry C. story
2. What is put in (X)? A. Snowy B. Sunny C. Rainy

Why can't Amy go to school tomorrow?

It is because she is sick.

- (1) Make a guess using the clues in the text.

- (2) Circle the keywords: 'need to go to bed'.

- (3) What does this mean?

C Word Power

Things we wear and use in different weather

Look at the pictures. Fill in the blanks with the correct words.

mittens		scarf	umbrella	gloves		T-shirt	vest
cap	raincoat	hat	coat	rain boots	fan		

The weather in spring is warm and wet.

When it is raining, I wear a

(1) _____ . I also wear

(2) _____ to keep my feet dry. My mother takes her (3) _____ .

I go to the beach in summer. I wear a

(4) _____ and put on a

(5) _____ to keep off the hot sun. I have a (6) _____ to keep myself cool.

In winter, I put on a thick (7) _____ when I go out. I wear a (8) _____ around my neck. I put on (9) _____ to keep my hands warm.



Reading Comprehension

Serene is writing.

18th December, 2XXX

Cool

Today, I went hiking with Mum and Dad. I put on a T-shirt and a jacket. I also wore a cap. Mum put sandwiches, fruit and water bottles into our rucksacks. Then, we took a minibus to Shing Mun Country Park.

We found a place to sit down and have our picnic breakfast. I saw a few monkeys about ten metres away. They looked hungry and frightening! Dad told me monkeys are usually gentle, but we should not feed them or they would start stealing food from people.

During our four-hour hike, we strolled around the reservoir. We also walked past a barbecue site. We ended our journey at a kiosk. Luckily, it was not freezing today and we did not need to put on woolen hats or scarves. I hope we can go hiking again soon!

a. **Blacken the correct answer.**

1. When did Serene and her parents set off for the country park?

- A. at noon
- B. in the afternoon
- C. in the morning
- D. in the evening

2. What did Serene wear to the country park?



O A.



O B.



O C.



O D.

3. Where did Serene have her meal?
O A. in a fast food shop
O B. at a kiosk
● C. on a mat
O D. in the reservoir

4. Serene thought the monkeys were _____.
● A. scary
○ B. scared
○ C. friendly
○ D. gentle

5. Which of the following is TRUE about the text?
O A. The monkeys stole Serene's food.
○ B. Serene fed the monkeys.
○ C. Serene's father said monkeys were frightening animals.
● D. The monkeys did not come near Serene.

6. What do you think Serene did at the end of the hike?
O A. She had a barbecue.
○ B. She took a photo of a monkey.
● C. She bought some snacks.
O D. She looked at the reservoir.

b. **Find the words in the text which have similar meanings to these words.**

- 1. finished _____
- 2. very cold _____

ended
freezing

c. **Give a short answer.**
How did Serene and her parents go to the country park?

They went there by minibus.

A Comprehension Skills

Identifying the main idea

Read the text and blacken the correct answer.

(a), teacher and friends. My name is Ivy. Let me tell you about what I want to do when I grow up.

When I grow up, I want to be a doctor. There are many sick people in poor countries. I want to help them. I will treat their illnesses and teach them how to look after their health. Doctors must know a lot of things, so I will study hard! (b).

Ivy is talking about _____.

- A. her job
- B. her parent's job
- C. her dream job
- D. why doctors are good

B Text Type Features

Read Part A again and circle the correct answer.

1. This is a (letter / speech).
2. What is put in (a)? (Good morning / Welcome)
3. What is put in (b)? (Goodbye / Thank you)

C Word Power

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Jobs

The children are talking about what their parents do. Fill in the blanks with the correct words.

	chef	musician	doctor	driver	firefighter	clown
pilot	postman	zookeeper	teacher	waiter	nurses	

Jack:

My father is a (1) pilot _____. He flies aeroplanes all over the world. My mother works in a hospital. She is a (2) doctor _____. Many (3) nurses ____ help her to look after the patients.

Sophie:

My mother is a (4) musician _____. She is very good at playing the violin. She performs in many big concerts. My father is a (5) postman _____. He takes letters and parcels to people's homes.

Vivian:

My father is a bus (6) driver _____. He takes lots of people to school and work every day. My mother is a (7) chef _____. She works in a French restaurant.

Her cooking is delicious!

Alan:

My father is an English (8) teacher _____. He works in a school. My mother is a (9) zookeeper _____. She looks after tigers, elephants and other animals. When I make too much noise, she says I am like a monkey!

Reading Comprehension

Serene is talking. Read what she says.

Good morning, Miss Ma and friends. I am Serene. Let me tell you about what my parents and relatives do.

My father teaches English and Mathematics in a school. He is a kind and patient teacher. He often tells jokes to his students. They like him very much. My mother is a nurse. She looks after many patients in a hospital. She gives them medicine daily. I think my mother is caring and hard-working.

My mother has two siblings. Her brother is a firefighter.

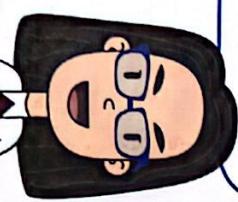
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He puts out fires and rescues people from burning buildings. Her sister catches people who break the law. She patrols the neighbourhood daily and keeps it safe. Do you know what she does?

When I grow up, I want to be a vet. I will learn to be caring and patient. Thank you.

a. Blacken the correct answer.

1. Serene's speech is mainly about _____.
O A. her dream jobs
O B. her parents' dream jobs
● C. the jobs of her parents and relatives
O D. what her parents and relatives want to do



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2. The patients in the hospital take their medicine _____.
O A. every hour
● B. every day
O C. every week
O D. every month

(10) ✓

b. Who is Serene talking about? Write the letters in the boxes.

1. This person is not lazy. B C D
2. This person needs to carry a hose. B C D
3. This person makes me laugh. A B C D

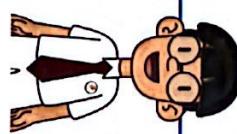
A. Her father B. Her mother C. Her uncle D. Her aunt

c. Timothy is talking to Serene. Fill in each blank with ONE suitable word.

Serene, I know the answer. Your aunt is a (1) ~~policewoman~~. I hope your dream will come true so that you can help many (2) ~~animals~~.

d. Answer the questions in complete sentences.

1. Which word in the text means 'saves'?
The word 'rescues' in the text means 'saves'.
2. Read line 5. What does 'they' refer to?
'They' refers to the students.



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Serene is reading a story.

Terry is at the airport with his parents. After having lunch at a Chinese restaurant in the airport, they go to board the aeroplane. Terry is looking forward to his first flight.



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The aeroplane is huge. A woman in a neat uniform is standing at the door and greeting the passengers. She smiles at Terry. "Say 'hi' to the flight attendant," Terry's mother tells him.

Terry sits beside his parents. Following the pilot's announcement, Terry fastens his seat belt. When the

aeroplane is leaving the ground, Terry feels a pain in his ears. He yells. "Don't panic, Terry. Try to yawn," his father says. Terry does this and his ears feel better.

Soon, the aeroplane is high above the clouds. "Wow! They look like fluffy white sheep!" Terry exclaims.

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- b. Answer the questions in complete sentences.**
1. Read line 6. Who is the woman?
The woman is a flight attendant.
 2. What does the pilot ask the passengers to do?
He asks them to fasten their seat belts.
 3. Read line 16. What does 'they' refer to?
The word 'they' refers to the clouds.
 4. Read the last line. How does Terry feel?
Terry feels excited.
 5. Which word in the text means 'tidy'?
The word 'neat' in the text means tidy.

Comprehension Skill:
Making references

Comprehension Skill:
Making inferences
using clues

Comprehension Skill:
Understanding one's feelings

Comprehension Skill:
Finding the meaning of unfamiliar words

2. When are Terry and his parents on the aeroplane?

O A. in the morning

O B. in the evening

O C. in the afternoon

O D. at night

3. Why does Terry's father ask him to yawn?

O A. Terry is sleepy.

O B.

Terry hurt his ears.

O C. Terry's ears hurt.

O D. Terry yells and he is noisy.

4. Which sentence is TRUE?

O A. Terry often travels by aeroplane.

O B. Terry is sitting near a window.

O C. Terry sees the pilot on the aeroplane.

O D. Terry has lunch before he goes to the airport.

Comprehension Skill:
Making inferences
using clues

Comprehension Skill:
Eliminating wrong answers



- a. Blacken the correct answer.
1. What do Terry and his parents eat at the airport?
O A. O B. O C. O D.

Comprehension Skill:
Categorising