

Comprehension Cloze Worksheets

P5 English Language CA2 2014

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Instruction:
Fill in each blank with a suitable word.

P5 Comprehension Cloze – CA2 – Rosyth

Singapore intends to increase the use of underground spaces in future. This is necessary as Singapore's (51) _____ is expected to increase to 6.9 million people by the year 2030. By building, underground, space above the land can be freed (52) _____ for building houses and parks.

Mr Ang, an engineer, says, "The underground spaces will have different uses. Utilities (53) _____ as cables, water and gas pipes will be installed. We also have plans (54) _____ offices and shopping malls to be built. Dangerous materials like oil will be stored deep below the ground where (55) _____ like granite is found. Granite is a type of rock which is six times stronger (56) _____ concrete." If the plans are successful, Mr Ang believes that Singaporeans can look (57) _____, to a better quality of life.

Unfortunately, not everyone (58) _____ with Mr Ang's opinion. In fact, a few experts are (59) _____ about the safety of the underground project. A newspaper published an (60) _____ recently about sinkholes appearing in different places in Singapore. Those sinkholes (61) _____ caused by water pipes bursting. The damage to the pipes was (62) _____ to the construction on the Downtown MRT Line," says Mr Jim Smith, a soil expert. "Rainwater can seep into cracks between rocks and soil even as (63) _____ as 40 metres underground. Such rocks become weak and soft (64) _____ a period of time."

Mr Smith's worry is that soil erosion will (65) _____ underground construction more difficult and dangerous. "More research is needed to learn how this problem can be solved," says Mr Smith.

Adapted from an article in The Straits Times dated 16 April 2013

P5 Comprehension Cloze – CA2 – Nan Hua

Giant pandas are famous for their love of bamboo, a diet so nutritionally poor that the pandas have to consume up to 20kg of it each day. A typical panda eats for half the day and can defecate (51) _____ to forty times a day. There is an extra thumb on the panda's hand to (52) _____ them to tear the bamboo. Surprisingly, pandas do not (53) _____ eat bamboo. They will sometimes eat birds or rodents as well.

Giant pandas are solitary (54) _____. A panda can often be seen on its own, eating in a relaxed sifting posture. They may appear inactive (55) _____ they are actually skilled tree-climbers and efficient swimmers. With a highly developed (56) _____ of smell, the males use it to avoid each other and to find females for mating in the spring. (57) _____ a five-month pregnancy, females give birth to a cub or two, though they cannot care for (58) _____ twins. The blind infants weigh only about a hundred grams at birth and cannot crawl (59) _____ they reach three months of age. They are born white and develop their much loved colours later.

Giant pandas are (60) _____ of the more endangered animals in the world, with only about 1,600 pandas (61) _____ the wild. Much of what we have learnt about pandas comes from numerous (62) _____ done on pandas found in the zoo because their wild cousins are so rare and elusive.

Land loss is the greatest (63) _____ that is causing the number of giant pandas to (64) _____. A large population of pandas used to be found in many types of habitats. Many once lived in lowland areas but urbanisation now restricts giant pandas to the (65) _____. Today, their range is limited to a few species.

P5 Comprehension Cloze – CA2 – Red Swastika

The sun rises over Antarctica. The air is very cold. Freezing (51) _____ blows a curtain of snow. It is morning in (52) _____ of the world's largest deserts.

Antarctica is a desert. Not all (53) _____ are hot and sandy. Some are (54) _____ and snowy. Others are windy and rocky.

Deserts can be found all (55) _____ the world. Some are on cold mountains. Others are near oceans. Some are near the Equator. (56) _____ desert is different. Yet all deserts are dry.

Antarctica is one of the driest deserts on Earth. Like most deserts, it has (57) _____ own climate. Temperature, wind and rain or snow make up the climate. Climate affects how a desert looks and what lives (58) _____ .

Only a little snow falls over most of Antarctica. The climate is so cold that the snow does not (59) _____. It just keeps piling up. It forms thick sheets of ice.

The biting wind always blows. Even if you (60) _____ layers of clothes, you are still cold. Antarctica is the windiest continent (61) _____ the planet.

Life in Antarctica can be difficult. Not (62) _____ animals live on the land. Even penguins spend much of their time in the water.

One tough animal that lives on the land is called a Springtail. It looks (63) _____ a tiny insect. The Springtail's body (64) _____ a chemical that prevents it from freezing. That is the (65) _____ why the cold does not bother it.

Adapted from National Geographic Explorer

Answer Key

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51) population	52) up	53) such	54) for	55) rocks
56) than	57) forward	58) agrees/concurs	59) worried	60) article
61) were	62) due / attributed	63) deep	64) over / after	65) make

School: Nan Hua

51) up	52) help	53) only	54) animals	55) but
56) sense	57) After	58) the	59) until	60) one
61) left	62) researches	63) reason	64) decrease	65) mountains

School: Red Swastika

51) wind	52) one	53) deserts	54) cold	55) over
56) Every	57) its	58) there	59) melt	60) wear
61) on	62) all	63) like	64) has	65) reason