







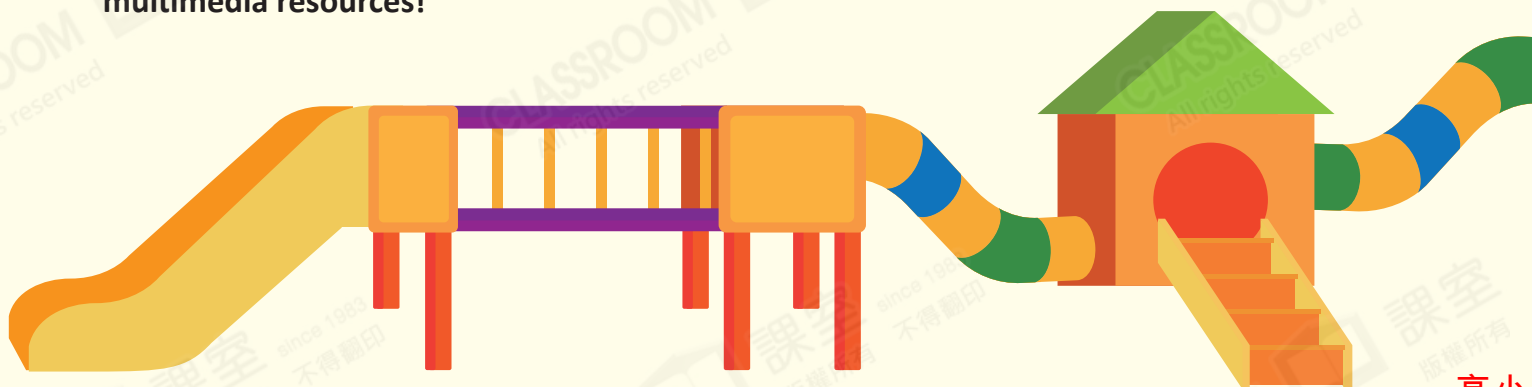


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Text Type Analysis: Notice

 A notice is a piece of paper on a noticeboard that gives information.

Show Your Care

Rainbow Housing Management Ltd

11th February, 20XX

Dear Residents of Joyful Estate,

CNY Collection and Recycling Campaign

Chinese New Year is about to end. You may have some unwanted items to throw away after the **festive** season. In order to show our care to the environment and the people in need, we are going to organise a campaign starting from tomorrow to the end of this month.

Please see the following details:

- There will be a collection box in the lobby of every block for collecting used red envelopes. We will pass them to Green Action for reusing and recycling.
- We will collect unopened gift boxes containing food items like cookies, noodles and chocolate, and give them to a nearby elderly home. Please bring your items to our office between 9 am and 5 pm.
- Cleaners from the Environmental Protection Department will collect peach blossom trees between 26th and 28th February. The trees can be recycled to make **compost** which is very useful in organic farming. The collection point will be located beside the car park entrance.

For enquiries, please contact Miss Li at 2334 5667.

Sender

State the person who issues the notice and his / her job title

Gary Lam

Manager

Organisation

State the organisation that issues the notice

Date

State the date when the notice is put up

Recipients

State the target audience for the notice

Subject

State briefly what the notice is about

Opening

State the reason(s) for writing the notice

Event details

- Give information about the event, e.g. date, time, venue and way(s) to respond and inquire
- Can use point form to present the information clearly



Reading Skill: Working out the meaning of unfamiliar words

Learn together!

Some questions test your ability to understand the meaning of the words that you may not know. There are three steps to answering such questions:

- 1** Locate the word in question in the text. Read the sentences near the word to get some hints.
- 2** Underline the keywords in each option.
- 3** Replace the word in the text with each option and see which option matches the context best.

Learn more!

Sometimes you can also get the meaning of the words from their **roots**, **prefixes** and **suffixes**.

The **root** of a word is its most basic form. We add a **prefix** to the beginning of a word and a **suffix** to the end of a word to form new words that have different meanings.

e.g. The **root** of the word 'acting' is 'act'.

e.g. The **prefix** 'un-' in the word 'unhappy' means 'not'.

e.g. The **suffix** '-less' in the word 'hopeless' means 'without'.

Give it a try!

e.g.1 In the notice, the word '**festive**' means '_____'.
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- ☐ A. having a lot of things to do
- ☐ B. having pleasant feelings
- ☒ C. producing good feelings to celebrate a festival
- ☐ D. presenting something in a bright and colourful way

The word 'festive' shares the **root** with the word '**festival**'. The text is also about Chinese New Year. With these hints, you can get the answer easily.

e.g.2 In the notice, the word '**compost**' means '_____'.
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- ☐ A. a kind of plant which is a symbol of luck
- ☐ B. a material which can be recycled
- ☐ C. a material which is used for building houses
- ☒ D. a material which improves the quality of soil

Read the sentence with the word 'compost'. You can find that 'compost' is something which is **very useful in organic farming**. Among the four options, only option D is related to farming.

Maggie is reading the contents page of a magazine.

Your Best Buddies

Chapter	Features	Page
1	Your pet, your playmate!	2
2	Homemade pet food	5
3	Places to go for a walk	7
4	Doctor Pets: Helping the sick people	10
5	A family member to love forever	13

Choose the best answers by blackening the circles.

1. Maggie is reading about where to walk her dog. Which page is she reading?

☐ A. Page 2
☐ B. Page 6
☐ C. Page 8
☐ D. Page 10



Q1

The keyword is 'where'. Which chapter is about where to go?

2. 'You need to know what games your pets like.' Maggie may read this line in Chapter _____.

☐ A. 1
☐ B. 2
☐ C. 3
☐ D. 4



Q2

The keyword in this line is 'games'.



3. Maggie **CANNOT** read about _____ in the magazine.

☐ A. what to do when her pet is sick
☐ B. how to cook for her pet
☐ C. where she can bring her pet to
☐ D. how to love her pet

Complete what Maggie says below.

4.

Bobby is not just my pet.

It is also my family

(a) _____.

I promise I am going to love

it (b) _____.



In-text Grammar

We use the **present perfect tense** to talk about an experience up to now without giving a specific time. We use '**never**', '**once**', '**twice**' or '**(number) times**' to talk about the number of times we have done something up to now.

e.g. Miss Robinson **has tried** egg tarts **twice** in Hong Kong.

e.g. The children **have never been** to the Sam Tung Uk Museum before.

John is reading the journal entries of a hiker called Ann Harris.

16th July (Tuesday)

Sharp Peak in Sai Kung is the *steepest* hill in Hong Kong. Max and I *decided* to hike there today *despite* the shower in the morning. I *have never been* there before. I *have heard* that the trail is tough so I was nervous. In the end, I found the journey too exhausting so we *ended it early*. On our way home, Max *asked* me to look at the stunning view of Sai Wan Beach but I was too tired to *do so*. I was thinking when to come back and conquer this trail.

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26th July (Friday)

The children were off school so I took them for a hike to the Dragon's Back near Shek O Country Park. I like this child-friendly trail because it is generally smooth and flat. The end stop is Big Wave Bay Beach, where the children can splash water around. It took us three hours to get there. It was much faster than last time!

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3rd August (Saturday)

Today Max and I arrived at Ma Liu Shui Pier *early* and waited for the 9 o'clock sailing to Tung Ping Chau. Although I *have been* there four times, the scenery was still breathtaking to me. The special-shaped rocks *seemed* different each time I saw them. I took many photos of the coastal rocks and other natural wonders.

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Date:



: 10 mins

Words: 224

Choose the best answers by blackening the circles.

1. Which is **FALSE** about Ann's hike on Tuesday?

- ☐ A. The weather was wet in the morning.
- ☐ B. Ann has never hiked Sharp Peak before.
- ☐ C. Ann thought the view of Sai Wan Beach was stunning.
- ☐ D. Ann did not reach the top of Sharp Peak.



Q1

Eliminate the options that are true first.

2. How long did it take for Ann and her children to hike the Dragon's Back last time?

- ☐ A. 1.5 hours
- ☐ B. 2 hours
- ☐ C. 3 hours
- ☐ D. 4 hours



3. What do the hiking trails that Ann hiked on 16th July and 26th July have in common?

- ☐ A. They are both very challenging.
- ☐ B. They are both located on Hong Kong Island.
- ☐ C. They are both famous for the view.
- ☐ D. They are both close to the sea.

Fill in the blanks with the correct words.

4. How did Ann get to Tung Ping Chau from Ma Liu Shui?

She got there _____.



Q4

What kind of transport is related to 'pier' and 'sailing'?

5. Why didn't Ann get bored of visiting Tung Ping Chau time after time?

It was because she still found the scenery in Tung Ping Chau _____.

Fill in each blank with ONE word from the journal entries. Change the word form when necessary.

I did a lot of outdoor activities yesterday. I ⑥ _____ (v.) water around at the beach near my home with my friends in the morning and walked along a scenic hiking ⑦ _____ (n.) in Sai Kung in the afternoon. I slept like a log on my way home. What an ⑧ _____ (adj.) day!



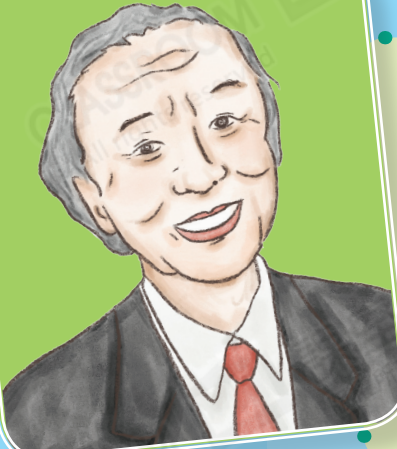
Q6

Read lines 8-12 for the answer.

Fun Bits 3

Great People of the Modern Day

There are many great people from different sectors of our modern-day society. Let's learn some of them.



Charles Kao

Charles Kao is an engineer and a physicist. He is known as the 'Godfather of Broadband'. In 2009, he won the Nobel Prize in Physics for his research on the transmission of light in fibres for optical communication. His discovery led to a breakthrough in the development of the Internet. Thanks to him, we can now enjoy high-speed Internet connection with the use of optical fibres.

Manjul Bhargava

Manjul Bhargava, a professor of Mathematics at Princeton University, is famous for his contributions to number theory. In 2014, he won the Fields Medal. Only mathematicians under the age of 40 with remarkable achievements can receive this award. This is a very top honour that people called it 'the mathematician's Nobel Prize'.



A Write 'T' (True) or 'F' (False) in each box.

1. Charles Kao's research on fibre optics has made people's lives easier.

☐

2. The Fields Medal is awarded to outstanding engineers.

☐

3. Manjul Bhargava is an expert in number theory.

☐

4. Elon Musk founded Tesla cars.

☐

5. SolarCity sends spaceships to the moon.

☐



Elon Musk



Elon Musk is an engineer as well as the founder of many companies, including SpaceX, Tesla and SolarCity. SpaceX designs, builds and launches rockets to space stations. Tesla invents cars which are fully powered by renewable energy. SolarCity provides solar energy services. His contributions to space exploration, automotive industry and development of reusable energy are truly impressive.

B Read the hints and circle the words from the text in the word search.

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f	q	j	h	t	t	a	b
o	f	q	m	l	r	r	r
u	n	g	i	f	e	s	e
n	i	p	x	r	v	k	a
d	n	h	a	s	a	b	k
e	d	y	f	o	r	g	t
r	g	s	g	l	k	s	h
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k	g	i	u	j	l	i	u
b	x	s	a	r	y	n	g
u	d	t	p	s	q	t	h

Hints:

1. When I grow up, I want to be a _____ because I am interested in Physics.
2. It was a major _____ in space exploration when the Soviet Union launched the world's first satellite to space.
3. My uncle is the _____ of ChitChat — a mobile application that allows people to communicate instantly.
4. There are _____ panels on top of that building. They are used for absorbing sunlight as a source of energy.
5. What kinds of _____ does the supermarket provide? I hope they have same day delivery.

STEAM Highlights

In which year did Charles Kao receive the Nobel Prize? (Find the answer from the text and check it on P.72.)

Read the invitation card and the e-mail below.

1.

Don't Stay at Home Alone!

You are invited to Eunice's Halloween Party!

Date : 31st October (Sunday)

Time : 6:30 pm – 9:00 pm

Venue : Flat E, 9/F, Block 4, Grand Garden, 5 Lock Road, Lok Fu

RSVP : Send an e-mail to Eunice at happyeunice@hkmail.com before 28th October

Reminders : Dress in a spooky costume. Bring a pumpkin basket and some candies for exchange!

A great feast and many fun games are waiting for you!

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4.

From: noah_chow@hkmail.com

To: happyeunice@hkmail.com

Subject: I am going to join the Halloween party!

Dear Eunice,

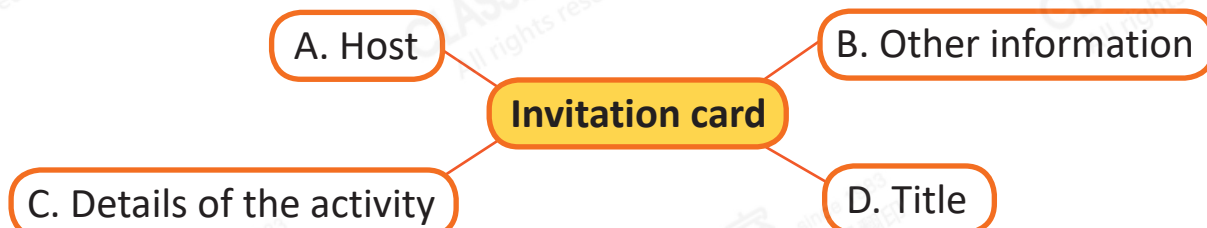
Thanks for inviting me. I am coming to the party in a vampire costume. I am going to put on long and sharp teeth and wear a black cloak. I know you are also inviting Serena. She tells me that she wants to dress like a witch. Let's play some silly tricks on others that day!

Yours,

Noah

A. Text Type Features

Read the mind map below. Write the correct letters in the boxes.



Date: _____

 : 10 mins

Words: 145

B. Comprehension

Choose the best answers by blackening the circles.

Skill 1. Which is **FALSE** about the Halloween party?

- ☐ A. Eunice is going to hold the party at the weekend.
- ☐ B. Eunice is going to hold the party in the garden.
- ☐ C. Serena is going to join the party.
- ☐ D. There is a big meal for many people at the party.

2. What does Noah plan to dress up as at the Halloween party?



☐ A.



☐ B.



☐ C.



☐ D.

Answer the questions in **COMPLETE SENTENCES**.

3. What time does the Halloween party begin?

4. What does Noah need to bring to the party?

C. Vocabulary

Fill in each blank with **ONE** word from the invitation card or the e-mail.

Q4

Read the reminders in the invitation card.

Fun For Kids

Issue 137

Trick-or-treating is very popular at Halloween. Children in

① _____ costumes go from house to house and ask for some ② _____. Adults have to give the children what they want or the children may play ③ _____ on them!