



Read the passage carefully and then answer the questions.

May was in a supermarket. She had to buy some food as she had invited her friends to her house for dinner. May was busy choosing some snacks when she saw a little girl crying. May went up to her and asked her what was wrong. The little girl told May that she had lost her mother.

May comforted the little girl and told her to calm down. She asked the little girl if she knew her mother's mobile phone number. The little girl nodded. May whipped out her mobile phone and called the little girl's mother immediately. The little girl's mother appeared within minutes and thanked May for her help. May smiled and shook her head shyly. She was glad that the little girl was reunited with her mother.

1. Why was May shopping for food?

2. (a) In the first paragraph, how did the little girl feel?
Tick (✓) the correct answer.

She was calm.	<input type="checkbox"/>
She was upset.	<input type="checkbox"/>
She was angry.	<input type="checkbox"/>
She was curious.	<input type="checkbox"/>

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(b) Why did she feel that way?

3. Write **1**, **2** and **3** in the boxes below to indicate the order in which the events occurred in the story.

May comforted the little girl.	
May asked the little girl for her mother's number.	
May called the little girl's mother.	

4. How did May react when the little girl's mother thanked her?

(i)	
(ii)	

5. For (i)–(iii), read each statement and tick (✓) 'True' or 'False'. Refer to all paragraphs.

	Statement	True	False
(i)	The little girl was alone when May found her.		
(ii)	The little girl was crying at first.		
(iii)	The little girl's mother appeared after an hour.		

**Practice 7**

Read the passage carefully and then answer the questions.

Rachel looked at the sky and sighed. **Dark clouds were threatening to spill.** She had planned to go shopping with her grandmother. Since the weather was not good, Rachel and her grandmother decided to stay at home and bake some gingerbread man biscuits. They went into the kitchen to prepare for an afternoon of baking fun.

Rachel washed all the utensils and equipment needed—baking tray, brush, sieve, mixing bowl and measuring spoons. Her grandmother prepared the ingredients including the flour, sugar, butter and eggs.

When everything was ready, Rachel and her grandmother began by mixing the ingredients first. Then, they moulded the mixture into little gingerbread men. Rachel decorated the faces before they placed the biscuits into the oven. After 20 minutes, the gingerbread man biscuits were ready.

1. What had Rachel planned to do at first?

2. 'Dark clouds were threatening to spill.' What does this mean?

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3. State **two** things that Rachel washed.

(i)	
(ii)	

4. Write **1**, **2** and **3** in the boxes below to indicate the order in which the events occurred in the story.

Rachel and her grandmother moulded the mixture into biscuits.	
Rachel decorated the faces.	
Rachel and her grandmother mixed the ingredients.	

5. For (i)–(iii), read each statement and tick (✓) 'True' or 'False'. Refer to all paragraphs.

	Statement	True	False
(i)	Rachel and her grandmother were going to bake gingerbread man biscuits.		
(ii)	Rachel prepared the ingredients.		
(iii)	The biscuits were ready after ten minutes.		



Read the passage carefully and then answer the questions.

John is a stamp collector. He collects all sorts of stamps from all over the world. He has more than ten albums of stamps from countries like Singapore, Malaysia, Australia and the United States.

John's hobby began when he was five years old. He received a birthday card from his mother's friend in England. On that same day, he also received a birthday card from his kindergarten classmate. He realised that the stamps were different and found **that** interesting. He started collecting stamps from that day onwards.

John removes a stamp from an envelope by soaking the envelope in water for a few minutes. He then carefully peels away the stamp from the wet paper and leaves it in a tray to dry. He avoids drying the stamps under direct light as the colour of the stamps will fade. John hopes that his stamp collection will grow and that he can influence his friends to collect stamps like he does.

1. Where are John's stamps from? State **two** countries.

(i)	
(ii)	

Comprehension Open-ended

2. What does 'that' in Paragraph 2 refer to?

3. In the last paragraph, what are **two** things that John hopes for?

(i)	
(ii)	

4. Write **1, 2** and **3** in the boxes below to indicate the order in which a stamp is removed from an envelope.

Peel the wet stamp away.	
Soak the envelope in water.	
Leave the stamp in a tray to dry.	

5. For (i)–(iii), read each statement and tick (✓) 'True' or 'False'. Refer to all paragraphs.

	Statement	True	False
(i)	John began collecting stamps when he was five years old.		
(ii)	John has ten stamp albums.		
(iii)	John received a birthday card from his classmate in kindergarten.		



Read the passage carefully and then answer the questions.

I celebrated Children's Day last Thursday. There were no lessons on that day. After assembly, all the children went back to their classrooms for a class party.

It was my second time celebrating Children's Day in primary school. I was very excited and so was my best friend, Heather. Our teacher, Mrs Chong, came to class with many bags of gifts. Each of us was given a packet of stationery and a bag of puzzles. We sat down for some singing before playing some games. We also had a drawing contest where the winner received a prize. It came as a pleasant surprise when I was announced the winner. I had drawn myself as a kind vet with some adorable animals.

We ate some snacks towards the end of the party. After that, we went to the hall for a school celebration. The teachers put up such an entertaining and funny show that many of us wished that it would go on forever. It was a great day.

1. What gifts did the writer receive?

(i)	
(ii)	

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Challenge Yourself!

2. What was the picture that the writer drew?

3. Which **two** words tell us that the children enjoyed the teachers' performance? Circle A, B, C or D.

The teachers put up such an entertaining and funny
(A) (B)
show that many of us wished that it would go on forever.
(C) (D)

4. Write **1, 2 and 3** in the boxes below to indicate the order in which the events occurred in the story.

The children played games.	
The children had snacks.	
The children sang.	

5. For (i)–(iii), read each statement and tick (✓) 'True' or 'False'. Refer to all paragraphs.

	Statement	True	False
(i)	The writer celebrated Children's Day on a Tuesday.		
(ii)	Heather is the writer's best friend.		
(iii)	Mrs Chong is the writer's teacher.		

**Practice 10**

Read the passage carefully and then answer the questions.

Melvin and Kevin woke up suddenly, wondering where they were for a while. Kevin jumped out of bed and cried, "We are in Los Angeles! We are in the United States!" The brothers no longer felt tired after a 17-hour flight. Their tiredness had been replaced by a surge of energy. They were all ready for a day of fun at a popular theme park.

Melvin and Kevin ran to the next room and woke their father up. "Wake up, Dad! It is time to go to the theme park!" cried Melvin.

Their father rubbed his eyes, took a look at the alarm clock and said, "It's only three in the morning. The theme park is not open until nine. Go back to bed and I will wake you up later." The brothers were persistent. They had been looking forward to going to this theme park for over a year. They woke their mother up but their mother said the same thing too.

Disappointed, the brothers went back to bed, trying very hard to contain their excitement. How could they fall asleep?

Comprehension Open-ended

Challenge Yourself!

1. How long was the flight to Los Angeles?

2. How did the brothers feel before and after their sleep?

Before their sleep	
After their sleep	

3. Why could the brothers not go to the theme park?

4. (a) How did the brothers feel when their parents told them to go back to sleep? Tick (✓) the correct answer.

They were furious.	
They were troubled.	
They were frightened.	
They were disappointed.	

(b) Why did the brothers feel that way?

5. For (i)–(iii), read each statement and tick (✓) 'True' or 'False'. Refer to all paragraphs.

	Statement	True	False
(i)	Los Angeles is in the United States.		
(ii)	The theme park was a place liked by many people.		
(iii)	The brothers woke their mother up first.		