

The Westcoast Reader

Teachers' Notes



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The exercises in these Teachers' Notes provide learning activities for a wide range of learners. They focus on helping learners develop reading strategies; increase their vocabulary; and improve their grammar, spelling, and pronunciation. Resources are included for extension activities and a discussion is included to help improve speaking and listening.

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Answers	Resources
<p>Sentence Scramble (TN2)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Kiki is a lucky cat.2. She is lucky to be alive.3. She ate the leaves of a lily.4. The plant is poison to cats.5. The doctor gave her medicine.6. Kiki is okay now.	<p>Be kind to animals (WCR2)</p> <p>The BC SPCA has a series of videos and resources for teachers: https://www.youtube.com/user/BCSPCA/ABC/videos https://spca.bc.ca/programs-services/leaders-in-our-field/professional-resources/for-teachers/</p>
<p>Who, what, when, where, why, how? (TN2)</p> <p>1. c 2. b 3. a 4. b 5. c 6. a</p>	<p>Charley's job (WCR2)</p> <p>The PBS series <i>Dogs With Jobs</i> can be viewed online: https://www.knowledge.ca/program/dogs-jobs</p>
<p>Sentence Match (TN4)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Emergencies can happen at any time.2. Some risks in BC are earthquakes, tsunamis, and floods.3. Different places have different risks.4. You should be ready to take care of yourself for three days.5. An emergency kit has basic supplies.6. Alert Ready is an emergency warning system7. Now you can get alerts on your phone.	<p>Victoria says no to plastic bags (WCR3)</p> <p>The 2018 theme for Earth Day was "End Plastic Pollution." Check out Decoda's Earth Day blog post for tools, resources and articles on plastic pollution: http://www.decoda.ca/read-all-about-lit/earth-day-3/</p>
<p>Discussion</p> <p>Have students brainstorm simple steps people can take to be prepared for an emergency. Ask each to write a list of the steps they could take to be better prepared. Find ideas on the Prepared BC website.</p>	<p>Check out the Plastic Pollution Calculator: https://www.earthday.org/plastic-calculator/</p>

Sentence Scramble

Unscramble the words to make a sentence.

1. _____
cat / is / lucky / a / Kiki
2. _____
is / she / alive / lucky / be / to
3. _____
a / leaves / the / ate / she / of / lily
4. _____
plant / to / the / is / poison / cats
5. _____
medicine / gave / the / her / doctor
6. _____
okay / Kiki / now / is

It's raining cats and dogs!

Work with a partner or on you own. Think of another saying with animals.
Write the saying on the lines.

Who, what, when, where, why, how?

Find the answers in *The Westcoast Reader*. Draw a circle around the right one.

1. Who did not give up?

- a. Jeremy Loveday
- b. Wendy Devuyst
- c. David Snively

2. What did Victoria ban?

- a. lilies
- b. plastic bags
- c. babies at work

4. When is Mother's Day?

- a. May 13
- b. May 21
- c. May 15

4. Where can MLAs bring their babies?

- a. Victoria City Hall
- b. BC Legislature
- c. Nada

3. Why is Bell a special hen?

- a. she laid two eggs
- b. her eggs had yolks
- c. she laid big eggs

5. How do you shop at Nada?

- a. bring your own bags
- b. use the store's bags
- c. order from home

Be prepared!

Are you ready for an emergency? Think about what you could do to be prepared.

Write a list.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

Sentence Match

Match the beginning and the end of the sentence.

1. Emergencies can	have different risks.
2. Some risks in BC are	has basic supplies.
3. Different places	emergency warning system.
4. You should be ready to	happen at any time.
5. An emergency kit	on your phone.
6. Alert Ready is an	earthquakes, tsunamis and floods.
7. Now you can get alerts	take care of yourself for three days.

Word Search

Find the words in the puzzle.

~~password~~
 flood
 plan
 flashlight
 papers
 food
 water
 kit
 alert
 emergency
 strong
 weather
 keys
 safe
 online

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