

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

Kitten rescued! (TN2)

kitten, underground, trapped, called, owner, rushed, daughter, seven

Word Parts (TN2)

1. sounds. 2. wrapped 3. claws 4. pulled 5. heroes 6. adopted

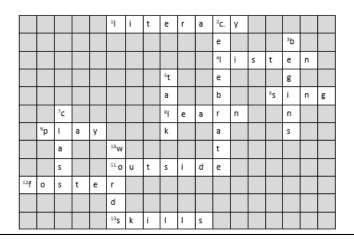
Vocabulary (TN3)

1. g 2. h 3. i 4. a 5. c 6. e 7. b 8. d 9. f

Fact or inference? (TN3)

1. D 2. F 3. I 4. I 5. F 6. I 7. I 8. I 9. F

Literacy Month Fun! (TN5)



Resources

Discussion

This month's paper is filled with stories of people who have overcome adversity or followed a dream. As a class, explore the notion of "grit." What traits or characteristics allow people to accomplish their goals despite facing obstacles and setbacks along the way?

Celebrate Literacy Month

Fostering Literacy Tips Calendar 2018:

https://www.decoda.ca/literacyislife/fostering-literacy-tips-2018/

Literacy Month Contest:

https://www.decoda.ca/supportus/events/literacy-is-lifehomepage/literacy-is-life-letters-contest/

Sock it to Literacy:

Have a class fundraiser – order warm and cozy literacy socks from <u>Blue Sky Clothing</u> <u>Co</u>. Use the promo code README to purchase socks wholesale (sold in packages of 10 – minimum order 10 pairs or more). https://www.decoda.ca/literacyislife/sock-it-to-literacy/

Kitten rescued!

Find the right word to finish each sentence.

Midnight is a black <u>kí</u> Kamloops, BC. People trie									
The Kamloops SPCA a plumber. Dan Groess is the plumping and drain cleaning company. He to help.									
He brought his	, Ariana. She	e is years o	old.						
seven called	daughter kitten	underground owner	trapped rushed						

Word Parts

Word parts added to the end of a word are called suffixes. Add suffixes to complete the words.

For example: trap - trapped, clean - cleaning, year - years

1. Ariana made meow <u>ing</u> sound
2. Dan wrap a t-shirt around the camera.
3. Midnight used his claw to grab onto the t-shirt.
4. Dan pull Midnight out of the pipe.
5. Dan and Ariana are local hero
6. Dan and his family adopt Midnight from the SPCA.

Word Families

Word families have the same spelling for the part of the word that sounds the same. Write new words for each word family.

1. cop top, crop, stop
2. stick
3. smell
4. scan

Vocabulary

Find the meaning that matches the word. Write the letter for the meaning on the line.

 1. traditional	a. a condition that limits a person's abilities
 2. harassment	b. a decision to do or not do something
 3. imaginative	c. a formal promise
 4. disability	d. one person or a group of people is treated unfairly
 5. pledge	e. people or things that belong to a country or region
 6. indigenous	f. the people in your family who lived before you
 7. resolution	g. the way people have done things for a long time
 8. discrimination	h. annoy or bother someone
 9. descent	i. able to create new ideas or things

Fact or inference?

A fact is something that is true. An inference is something we believe is true because of what we have seen, heard or read.

Read the story about Larry Kwong in *The Westcoast Reader*. Write (F) if the statement is a fact or (I) if it is what you think because of what you read.

1. Larry Kwong was 94 years old when he died.	F				
2. Larry was inducted into the BC Sports Hall of Fame.					
3. Chad and Gavin were inspired by Larry's story.					
4. Life was hard for Chinese Canadians when Larry was young.					
5. Larry loved playing hockey.					
6. Larry's family was worried about discrimination.					
7. The Vernon Hydrophones were happy to have Larry on the team.					
8. Larry's dream was to play in the NHL.					
9. Larry was disappointed he only got to play one minute in the NHL.					

Think about it ...

Have you ever faced discrimination? What happened? How did you feel?								

Literacy Month Fun!

Find the answers to the puzzle in the *Literacy Month Special*.

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1.	1. September is Month.								2. We Literacy Month.								
4.	F. Children learn to and talk.									3. Literacy at home.							
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Celebrate Literacy Month Contest

Enter the Literacy Month contest. You and your class could win a prize!

Tell us how you will celebrate literacy in September. Will you:

- Learn something new
- Teach something to someone else
- Wear purple and post on social media
- Do something that is new or unexpected?

This September, I will
Be creative! Write a poem, a letter or a story. Or, send a photo, a sketch or a video.
Submit your entry to:

Contest deadline is September 30, 2018

contest@decoda.ca or post to Facebook.com/decodaliteracy or @decodaliteracy