

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

What happened first? (TN3)

2, 4, 6, 1, 7, 3, 5

Match it (TN3)

1. c 2. e 3. d 4. f 5. a 6. b

Fill in the blanks (TN4)

- 1. Thelma bought a **lottery** ticket. It was for the Lotto 6/49 draw on April 1.
- 2. The next morning, Thelma **checked** her ticket on the lottery app.
- 3. Thelma could not believe it. She had the **winning** ticket.
- 4. She sent her family a **screenshot** of the app.
- 5. They thought it was a **joke**. The draw was on April Fools' Day.
- 6. It is a day when people play **tricks** on each other.
- 7. It was not a joke. Thelma won \$1 million.
- 8. Thelma plans to buy a new car. She wants a green car. It is her **favourite** colour.

Lottery (TN4)

lot, try, roe, rye, otter, toe, role, toy, yet, tore, tot, tote, rot, rote...

Bugs (TN5)

1. B 2. A 3. B 4. A 5. A 6. B

Resources & Discussion

Coronation of King Charles III (WCR1)

To learn more about King Charles III, his work and upcoming tours to Canada, visit https://www.canada.ca/en/canadian-heritage/services/royal-family/members-royal-family/king-charles-iii.html.

Winning the lottery (WCR1)

Using Thelma Florence's story as an example, ask learners to discuss their reaction if they won the lottery. What are the first three things they would do and why? Would they keep working or quit their job, why or why not?

Giant spider (WCR3)

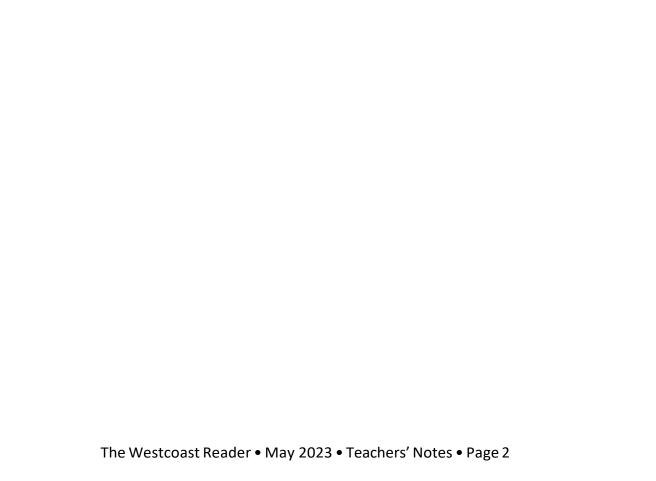
Show learners one of Junko's sculptures. Ask them to describe it and guess what kind of creature it is.

You can find Junko's street art on Instagram: https://www.instagram.com/junko.playtime/

Stink bugs (WCR4)

The Government of Canada has more information about stink bugs. To learn more, visit,

https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/industry/agriculture-seafood/animals-and-crops/plant-health/insects-and-plant-diseases/tree-fruits/brown-marmorated-stink-bug?keyword=stink&keyword=bugs



What happened first?

Read "Happy ending for mother goat" in *The Westcoast Reader*. Number the sentences in the correct order.

 a. The next day, Venus gave birth to a large baby boy.
 b. Venus was busy caring for the boy goat. She did not pay attention to the girl goat.
 c. Staff lifted up the girl goat and moved her to Moon's stall.
 d. On March 2, Moon had a baby. Her baby did not survive birth. It died.
 e. After a while, Moon began to lick and smell the baby.
 f. Suddenly, she gave birth to a second baby. It was a tiny baby girl.
g. Moon was in the next stall. She was still calling and looking for her baby that had died.

Match it

Work with a partner or on your own. Match the correct meaning for each word.

1. a joke	 a. breeding two different kinds of animals or plants together to make a new kind
2. ceremony	b. an area used to dump garbage
3. tusk	c. a trick intended to make someone look foolish
4. eco-conscious	d. a long, pointy tooth found on some animals
5. crossbred	e. a formal event performed for a special occasion
6. landfill	f. caring about the environment and doing things to help protect it

Fill in the blanks

Read 'Lottery winner thought it was a joke' in *The Westcoast Reader*. Fill in the blanks with the correct words.

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checked	tricks	million	winning			
screenshot	lottery	favourite	joke			
Lottery						
How many words can you make using the letters in "lottery?"						

Bugs

Read page 4 of <i>The Westcoast Reader</i> . If the fact is from "Large ant fossil found in B.C.", write ${f A}$ on the li from "Keep stink bugs out", write ${f B}$ on the line.	ne. If the fact is
 Some people think they smell like cilantro, stinky cheese or old socks. 	
2. It is known by its Latin name, <i>Titanomyrma</i> .	
3. They can harm plants, fruits and vegetables.	
 Some fossils were the size of a bird with a wingspan of 16 centimetres, about half a foot. 	
5. The species is now extinct.	
6. Warmer weather helps them thrive.	
Books	
Read 'A love for reading' in <i>The Westcoast Reader.</i>	
What is your favourite book and why? Would you recommend it	to others?