

## **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**

## Which word doesn't belong? (TN3)

- 1. oranges 2. music 3. mistake 4. deer
- 5. sidewalks F 6. bowl 7. clothing

## Fill in the blanks (TN4)

1. 2:30 2. two 3. 17 4. 68 5. 11 6. 1 7. 1872 8. \$310

## Halloween crossword (TN5)

- 1. cemetery 2. theatre 3. gym 4. murdered
- 5. afraid 6. mansion 7. cane 8. voices
- 9. nursery 10. figures 11. architect 12. hotel

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#### **Resources & Discussion**

## **B.C. wildfires (WCR2)**

As a group, discuss why Marnie Endersby would want to thank the firefighter.
Ask the group how they would feel and what they would do if they learned someone saved their home.

This can segue into an individual writing exercise.

## The Famous Five (WCR3)

Grassroots Press has a biography of the Famous Five as part of its Activist Series. <a href="https://www.grassrootsbooks.net/ca/biograhies/activist/">https://www.grassrootsbooks.net/ca/biograhies/activist/</a>

These biographies are free to borrow from the Decoda Literacy Library. Free workbooks are available online.

https://www.decoda.ca/resources/library/

### Thanksgiving (WCR3)

Ask your class, "What do you already know about Thanksgiving?" Then, discuss the meaning and traditions of this day together. Give this writing prompt to learners, "What am I thankful for?" Take time to introduce the prompt and define the word "thankful" as needed. This word may mean something else in other cultures.

# Which word doesn't belong?

Put a circle around the word that does not belong with the other words. Explain below why the word does not belong.

1. mushroom	peppers	oranges	onion
Oranges are fri	út. The rest are vegetab	les.	
2. fog	music	rain	frost
3. afraid	mistake	thankful	angry
4. deer	dress	helmet	boots
5. tires	sidewalks	windshield wipers	brakes
6. salt	pepper	oil	bowl
7. biking	walking	clothing	texting

## Fill in the blanks

Scan *The Westcoast Reader*. Put the following numbers into the sentences where they belong.

1. At	a.m., her husband ca	lled to say the fire w	as getting closer.									
2 babies were born on the same day.												
3. On August, a big wildfire was near her home.												
4. The two men are now years old.												
5. International Day of The Girl Child is October												
6. The fine was _	6. The fine was cent per day.											
7. Ross Bay Cemetery was founded in												
8. That is a fine.												
1872	68	\$310	two									
1	11	17	2:30									
Road Safety												
Read the tips on page 2 of <i>The Westcoast Reader</i> . Write your top three tips for staying safe on the road this Fall. Use complete sentences.												
1												
2												
3.												

## Ghosts of B.C.

Find the answers to the crossword puzzle on page 4 of *The Westcoast Reader*.

Across			Down				
1.	Her farm stood on the grounds	2.	Vernon's Towne Cinema is in an old building that				
	before it became a						
			opened in 1928.				
3.	A place for physical fitness and	4.	He was in				
	exercise		1935.				
5.	Some staff are	6.	Historic O'Keefe Ranch has an old				
	to go into the basement.		·				
7.	Something that aids walking and	8.	Janitors report hearing				
	balance		after school				
			when no one is there.				
9.	A child's room in a house	10.	People claim they have seen				
			in the school tower.				
11.	Someone who designs buildings and	12.	A place where travelers stay				
	spaces		overnight				

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