

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.

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Answers	Resources
<p>Match the meaning (TN2)</p> <p>1. d 2. f 3. e 4. a 5. b 6. c</p> <p>Match the words (TN2)</p> <p>1. livestream 2. healthcare 3. update 4. overwinter 5. sunflower 6. hummingbird 7. outside 8. highway</p> <p>Idioms (TN3)</p> <p>1. fully listening 2. nervous before an event 3. help someone do something 4. ready to defend or help someone 5. memorize 6. relax and have fun 7. nearby location</p> <p>Pollinator Crossword (TN4)</p> <p>Across</p> <p>1. pollen 3. bees 5. water 6. garden 9. fertilize 10. butterfly</p> <p>Down</p> <p>1. pollinators 2. nest 3. bird 4. seeds 7. nectar 8. best</p>	<p>Tips to be a better reader (WCR3)</p> <p><i>Working with Beginning Readers</i> is available as a free download from Grassroots Press: https://www.grassrootsbooks.net/pdf/working-with-beginning-readers-v2.pdf</p> <p>Mental Health Week (WCR3)</p> <p>Heretohelp has booklets written in plain language to help anyone learn more about mental health and mental illness. Each booklet is recorded: https://www.heretohelp.bc.ca/plainer-language-series</p> <p>Spaghetti bridge winner (WCR4)</p> <p>NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory has a building with pasta lesson plan as part of its Engineering in the Classroom series: https://www.jpl.nasa.gov/edu/teach/activity/spaghetti-anyone/</p> <p>Pat builds a boat (WCR4)</p> <p>ISSofBC has a "Welcome to our Homelands" video and study guide: https://issbc.org/blog/welcome-to-our-homelands</p>

Match the meaning

Find the answers in *The Westcoast Reader*.

_____	1. nest	a. a young bird that is just able to fly
_____	2. chick	b. have sexual activity to produce young
_____	3. hatch	c. the distance from the tips of a bird's two wings
_____	4. fledgling	d. build or live in a nest
_____	5. mate	e. come out of an egg
_____	6. wingspan	f. a baby bird

Match the words

Match a word on the left with a word on the right. Write the new word on the line.

live	date	1. _____
health	winter	2. _____
up	side	3. _____
over	stream	4. _____
sun	way	5. _____
humming	care	6. _____
high	flower	7. _____
out	bird	8. _____

Idioms

Read “7 pm cheer” in *The Westcoast Reader*. In the article, Dr. Kalla said, “you feel supported, like the community has your back.” “Has your back” is an idiom.

There are many idioms based on the human body. Draw a line from the body part idiom to the correct meaning.

1. all ears	nervous before an event
2. cold feet	ready to defend or help someone
3. give a hand	relax and have fun
4. has your back	fully listening
5. learn by heart	nearby location
6. let your hair down	help someone do something
7. neck of the woods	memorize

Sentences

Write five sentences. Use one of the idioms above in each sentence.

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

Pollinator Crossword

Find the answers in *The Westcoast Reader*. Use them to complete the puzzle.

Across

1. Pollinators move _____ from one plant to another.
3. _____ like long grass.
5. Put a bowl of _____ near flowers.
6. Avoid chemicals in your _____.
9. Pollinators help _____ plants.
10. The monarch is a kind of _____.

Down

1. Birds, bees and butterflies are _____.
2. Some bees _____ in the ground.
3. Get a bath for _____.
4. Only fertilized plants make fruit or _____.
7. Flowers provide _____ for hummingbirds.
8. Pollinators like wildflowers _____.

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