

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	
Pig scares off bear (TN3)	
miniature, farm	
broke, animal	
ran, away	
minutes	
reward	
Phrasal verbs (TN3)	
1. broke into 2. put on 3. set up 4. put up	
Match the meaning (TN4)	
substitute	Something that is not a serious health problem
appointment	Something or someone that takes the place of another thing or person.
minor	A healthcare professional who is qualified to prepare and give out medications.
Responsibilities	Methods or devices used to prevent pregnancy.
contraception	Something you take when you're sick to make you feel better.
pharmacist	A planned time to meet someone or do something.
prescription	Tasks and duties that you need to do, like homework or chores.
medication	The amount of medicine you should take at one time.
dose	A doctor's note for the medicine a person needs and how it should be used.
Adjectives (TN5)	
small, smaller , small	
warm , warmer, warmest	
cold, colder , coldest	
dark , darker , darkest	
deep , deeper, deepest	
fast, faster , fastest	
slow , slower , slowest	

Resources & Discussion
Celebrate Literacy Month (WCR3)
This year's theme is "Literacy Connects us!"
Find the September is Literacy Month Calendar 2023 and a Literacy Matters Fact Sheet at https://decoda.ca/get-involved/literacy-month/
Literacy Month Contest: https://decoda.ca/wp-content/uploads/LiteracyMonth23-ContestRules.pdf
Enter the Literacy month contest. You or your class could win a prize!
Write about it (WCR3)
Write about how you will celebrate literacy in September. Will you:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • learn something new • teach something to someone else • wear purple and post on social media • do something that is new or unexpected?
You can begin with "This September, I will ..."
Share your answer with a classmate, friend or family member.

Fill in the blanks

Read ‘Pig scares off bear’ in *The Westcoast Reader*. Find the right word to finish each sentence.

Barbie-Q is a _____ pig. She lives on a _____ in Sooke, B.C.

On June 18, a bear _____ into the farm. The bear tried to get into the _____ pen.

Barbie-Q _____ at the bear. She kept the other animals _____ from the bear.

After 30 _____, the bear left the farm.

Barbie-Q got a _____. Her owners rubbed her belly. They gave her a bowl of fruit salad.

Phrasal verbs

A phrasal verb is made of a verb plus another word like up, down, in, etc. The meaning is different when the words are together. For example, Mary is going to **pick up** her kids at 3 p.m.

Fill each blank with the correct phrasal verb.

put on	put up	set up	broke into
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1. A bear _____ the farm.
2. On September 8, _____ your purple and celebrate International Literacy Day.
3. My sister wants to _____ online banking.
4. A wooden statue of Rambo was _____ in the town of Hope.

Match the meaning

Draw a line from the word to match the correct meaning.

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Choose three words from above and write sentences with them.

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Adjectives

Adjectives are words that describe things. We use them to compare things or people, to show which things are the “most” or “least” in a group. For example: My sister is taller than me. My brother is the tallest out of the three of us.

Fill in the blanks with the correct word.

tall	taller	tallest
small	_____	smallest
_____	warmer	_____
cold	_____	_____
_____	_____	darkest
_____	deeper	_____
fast	_____	_____
_____	_____	slowest

Think about it

Racism is when someone is treated unfairly because of their skin colour or where they come from. Have you come across racism before? What happened? How did you feel?
