

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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<b>Answers</b>	<b>Resources and discussions</b>
<p><b>Fill in the blanks (TN3)</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>Starting June 1, minimum wage increases from <u>\$16.75</u> to <u>\$17.40</u> per hour.</li><li>The <u>3.9</u> per cent increase will help workers keep up with the cost of living and not fall behind, Bains said</li><li>Nunavut is a territory in Canada. It has the highest minimum wage at <u>\$19</u> per hour</li><li>Minimum wage in B.C. in <u>1967</u> was <u>\$1</u> per hour.</li><li>Saskatchewan has the lowest minimum wage at <u>\$14</u>. In October, the wage will go up to <u>\$15</u>.</li></ol> <p><b>Matching (TN4)</b></p> <p>1. d 2. e 3. f 4. b 5. a 6. c</p> <p><b>What happened first? (TN4)</b></p> <p>1. d 2. a 3. b 4. c</p> <p><b>Add '-ing' (TN4)</b></p> <p>1. drinking 2. carrying 3. taking 4. using 5. breathing 6. getting 7. starting 8. sleeping</p>	<p><b>Down syndrome (WCR1)</b></p> <p>For more resources on Down syndrome, visit: <a href="https://ndss.org/resources">https://ndss.org/resources</a></p> <p>There are categories for topics and lifespans.</p> <p><b>Stress (WCR2)</b></p> <p>Here are some stress lesson plans that you can use in your class to teach how to reduce stress and be more resilient:</p> <p><a href="https://phecanada.ca/sites/default/files/content/docs/teach-resiliency/Stress-Lessons-Educators-Guide-en%20%281%29_0.pdf">https://phecanada.ca/sites/default/files/content/docs/teach-resiliency/Stress-Lessons-Educators-Guide-en%20%281%29_0.pdf</a></p> <p><a href="https://www.edutopia.org/sites/default/files/resources/stw-glenview-stress-reduction-activities.pdf">https://www.edutopia.org/sites/default/files/resources/stw-glenview-stress-reduction-activities.pdf</a></p> <p><b>Favourite vs favorite (WCR4)</b></p> <p>In Canada, we use the British spelling 'favourite', where as 'Favorite' is the American English spelling.</p> <p>Both spellings have the same meaning. You can use either one depending on the country you are in.</p> <p>As a class, come up with more examples of words that are spelled differently in British English compared to American English.</p>



## Fill in the blanks

Read “Minimum wage going up” in *The Westcoast Reader*. Put the numbers below into the sentences where they belong.

16.75	19	14	1967
15	1	3.9	17.40

1. Starting June 1, minimum wage increases from \$\_\_\_\_\_ to \$\_\_\_\_\_ per hour.
2. The \_\_\_\_\_ per cent increase will help workers keep up with the cost of living and not fall behind, Bains said.
3. Nunavut is a territory in Canada. It has the highest minimum wage at \$\_\_\_\_\_ per hour.
4. Minimum wage in B.C. in \_\_\_\_\_ was \$\_\_\_\_\_ per hour.
5. Saskatchewan has the lowest minimum wage at \$\_\_\_\_\_. In October, the wage will go up to \$\_\_\_\_\_.

## Finding words

Find words that start with the following letters in *The Westcoast Reader*.

T	R	M

## Matching

Find the answers in *The Westcoast Reader*. Draw a line to match the word to its correct meaning.

1. minimum wage	a. something that is very useful, important, or worth a lot
2. tulip	b. a day that honours Queen Victoria's birthday
3. stress	c. one of the greatest hockey players ever
4. Victoria Day	d. the lowest pay employers must legally give their workers
5. valuable	e. flowers with colourful petals that look like cups
6. Wayne Gretzky	f. a feeling that happens when things around us make us feel worried, anxious or upset

## Stress

What are some of the things that make you feel stressed? List them below.

1. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

How do you deal with stress?

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## What happened first?

Read “French toast recipe” in *The Westcoast Reader*.  
Number the sentences in the correct order.

_____	a. Dip bread slices in egg mixture. Turn to coat both sides evenly.
_____	b. Lightly grease a nonstick pan. Cook bread slices on medium heat until cooked through and browned on both sides.
_____	c. Serve with syrup and fruits (optional)
_____	d. Whisk egg, vanilla and cinnamon in a dish. Stir in milk

## Add ‘-ing’

We add ‘-ing’ to a word to show that something is happening now.  
Add ‘-ing’ to the word on the left. Write the new word on the line.

1. drink	_____ drinking _____
2. carry	_____
3. take	_____
4. use	_____
5. breath	_____
6. get	_____
7. start	_____
8. sleep	_____