

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.

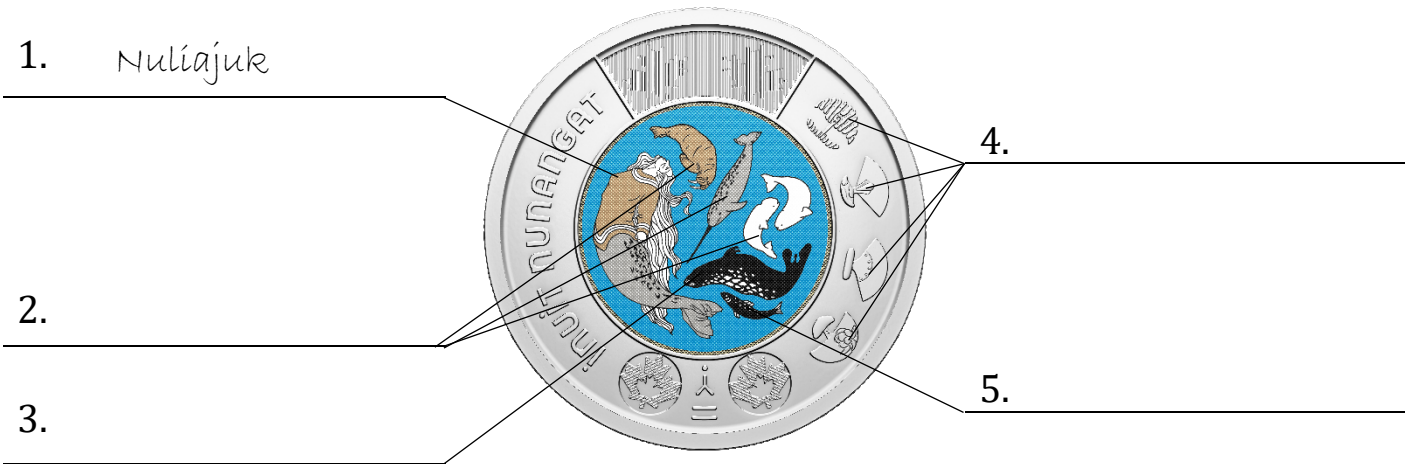
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Answers	Resources & Discussion
<p>Matching (TN3) Part 1. 1. Nuliajuk 2. whales 3. a seal 4. Inuit knives 5. a fish Part 2 1. The coin was designed by four Inuit Artists from four regions of Inuit Nunangat. 2. The Royal Canadian Mint made this \$2 coin to celebrate Inuit Nunangat, the northern home of the Inuit people. 3. The mind made three million coins. Two million have colour. 4. The coins were used since November 2024.</p> <p>Groups (TN4) 1. Vancouver because it's not a country. 2. Wednesday because it's not a month. 3. Heritage because it's not a meal. 4. Canmore because it's not a province. 5. Lizard because it's not a family member. 6. Lettuce because it's not a fruit. 7. Dua Lipa because it's not an animal.</p> <p>True or false (TN5) 1. F 2. T 3. F 4. F 5. T 6. F 7. T</p> <p>What happened first? (TN5) 2. outside 8. newspaper 5. two 1. chameleon 3. searched 7. rescued 9. birthday 6. online 10. birthday 4. days, taken</p>	<p>Family Literacy Week (WCR2) Visit Decoda's website for more information on Family Literacy Week: https://decoda.ca/get-involved/family-literacy-week/</p> <p>Enter our photo contest for a chance to win a prize. The contest ends February 2.</p> <p>"Learn to be Green, Together!" activities: https://decoda.ca/resource/learn-to-be-green-together/ https://abclifeliteracy.ca/programs/family-literacy-day/</p> <p>Banana artwork (WCR4) Class discussion questions: 1. What do you think about Maurizio Cattelan's "Comedian?" Is it funny, thought-provoking or confusing? Why? 2. Do you think the banana artwork is really art? Why or why not? 3. Does art always have to be beautiful, useful or meaningful?</p> <p>Activity: Break the class into small groups. Each group will come up with their own artwork idea that conveys a message (like the golden toilet). Have them describe what their artwork looks like and what message it sends.</p>

Special coin celebrates Inuit Nunangat

Part 1. Read 'Special coin celebrates Inuit Nunangat' in *The Westcoast Reader*. Match the drawing with its meaning.

Nuliajuk (the spirit of the sea) a fish whales Inuit knives a seal



Part 2. Answer these questions in complete sentences.

1. Who designed the new \$2 coin?

2. Why did the Royal Canadian Mint create this coin?

3. How many coins were made and how many has colour?

4. When did the coins start being used?

Groups

Circle the word that does not belong to each group. Then, answer why.

Example: (table), grizzly, deer, cat

Answer: Because table is not an animal.

1. Germany, Canada, U.S., Vancouver

Answer:

2. January, Wednesday, November, February

Answer:

3. brunch, dinner, heritage, breakfast

Answer:

4. British Columbia, Canmore, Alberta, Ontario

Answer:

5. grandmother, son, lizard, mother

Answer:

6. apple, lettuce, berries, banana

Answer:

7. Dua Lipa, chameleon, deer, bear

Answer:

True or false

Read 'John Horgan dies at 65' in *The Westcoast Reader*. Write 'T' if the statement is true. Write 'F' if the statement is false.

1. _____	John Horgan died of cancer on November 15, 2024.
2. _____	Horgan was born in Victoria in 1959.
3. _____	Horgan was the premier of B.C. from 2018 to 2022.
4. _____	Horgan's father raised him and his three brothers and sisters.
5. _____	Horgan worked in a mill to pay for school.
6. _____	He studied history at universities in Canada and U.S.
7. _____	As premier, he fought for Indigenous rights laws.

Learn to be Green, Together!

Being green means taking care of the earth by using and buying less, recycling and saving energy. Write about ways you can be more green and kinder to the environment.

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Lost lizard found

Read 'Lost lizard found' in *The Westcoast Reader*. Fill in the blanks with the correct words from the box. Then, number the sentences in the right order.

days	newspaper	outside	rescued
chameleon	two	birthday	taken
disappeared	searched	online	surprise

_____ Last summer, he went _____ to enjoy the sun. Then he _____.

_____ Veaira read the story in the local _____. She saw it was Zeke.

_____ _____ months later, someone saw a lizard in a park.

_____ Zeke is a pet _____. He is a lizard that can change colour.

_____ Veaira Heisler and her son, Malakai, _____ everywhere for their pet.

_____ About 20 people came to help find him. They _____ the lizard just in time.

_____ Veaira _____ Malakai with Zeke.

_____ They shared a picture _____.

_____ Malakai was so happy to have his pet back—just in time for his 14th _____.

_____ After a _____ days, they gave up. They thought a bird or cat had _____ him.