



Essential Reading Skills

Predicting what the content is about

Weather Watch

The **title** tells us what the passage is about. This passage is about weather.

Identifying topic sentences

Mary bought a new puppy today. It was small and white, so she named it Snowy. She took it to the park and played ball for the whole afternoon. Both of them had a good time.

A **topic sentence** tells us the main idea of the paragraph.

Scanning to locate specific information

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- **Time:** 2.30 p.m. - 5.00 p.m.
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Text Type Analysis

TV guide

9 March (Sat)

1.00 p.m. *Junior Masterchef*

In the semi-final, two boys and two girls battle it out for the two places in the final next week. Today they make vegetable soup, a chocolate cake and a surprise dish. This is going to be exciting!

1.45 p.m. *Dino Dave*

Cartoon. Dave is following new dinosaur footprints through the woods. Suddenly, he hears a scream from the bushes. What has made this horrible noise?

2.15 p.m. *Animals at Work*

A factual series about animals working for their living. This week, we look at the busy day of a sheep dog on an Australian sheep farm.

Date

Time and name of programme

Programme description

Blog

Matthew's Blog

20 July

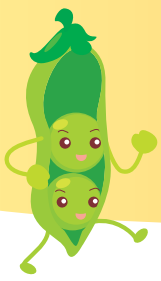
After relaxing in the hotel garden in the morning, we went to see the Reclining Buddha. It is a giant statue covered in gold and lying down in the temple. The Buddha was so long that I couldn't take a full shot of it! At night, we had some delicious local cuisine and watched a traditional dance performance near the hotel. It was awesome! We are leaving tomorrow. I will definitely miss this city!

Date

What happened in the day

Feelings about the day

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Let's join a movie club!



20 minutes

Text Type



Notice

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Word Preview — Places



an airport



a cinema



a supermarket



a shopping centre



Reading a notice

Brian loves going to the movies with his friends and family. He is very excited when he sees a notice about a kids' movie club at a local cinema.

Star Cinema Movie Club for Kids

Good news for young movie-lovers! A new movie club is now available in our cinema for children to enjoy selected movies with their friends at special prices.

- Date:** The first Saturday of each month
- Starting time:** 10.30 a.m.
- Venue:** House 4, Star Cinema, Nathan Road, Jordan
- Ticket price:** \$40 (Original price: \$70)
- Quota:** 50 (aged 9 - 12)

Remarks:

- Selected movies will be announced on our website one month before the show.
- \$10 reduction will be offered if FOUR tickets are booked in advance.

Fun Fact

The first ever movie was shown in France in 1895. It was a film showing workers leaving a factory.



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Visit our website (www.starcinema.com) or call Mr Ted Wu on 2253 7642 for more information.

Come and enjoy great movies together!



Have a go

Answer the questions about the notice. Blacken the circle next to the correct answer.

1. What time does the movie start?

A. 8.30 a.m.

B. 9.30 a.m.

C. 10.30 a.m.

D. 11.30 a.m.

2. Where is the club?



A.



B.



C.



D.

3. Brian wants to book tickets for himself and three other friends for the movie next month. How much does he pay?

A. \$150

B. \$160

C. \$270

D. \$280



Answering Tips

Look at the ticket price and remarks.

4. When can Brian find out the movie for July?

A. April

B. May

C. June

D. the first Saturday of July



Answering Tips

When will the movie be announced?

5. Brian wants to know more about the club. He can _____.

- A. go to House 4
- B. look at the poster in the cinema
- C. call Mr Ted Wu
- D. email Mr Ted Wu



Level Up

Answer the questions.

1. What can children do at the movie club?

2. How much does it cost to buy a movie ticket outside the movie club?

3. What is the maximum number of people who can join the movie club?

4. Brian's thirteen-year-old cousin, Janet, likes movies too. Can she join the movie club? Why?

_____ because _____



Help You Write

Answer 'Yes' or 'No' before giving the reason.

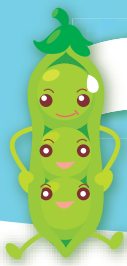


Word Bank

When we change the verb ending in 'duce' to a noun, we usually delete the letter 'e' and add 'tion':

- reduce (v) → reduction (n)
- produce (v) → production (n)
- introduce (v) → introduction (n)





Reading a blog

Brian is writing a blog. What is it about?

Brian's Blog

Yesterday, I went for a picnic with my school friends. It was really enjoyable!

We met at the school gate and walked to the park together, which is close by. I talked to my classmates a lot about their families and hobbies, which was great. I don't normally talk to them very much in school because we have so much work to do! We ate a lot of delicious food too.

Before we went home, we saw the famous statue in the park. I couldn't believe it. It looked like a giant! I got home and watched a cookery programme to learn how to make biscuits for my classmates. I listened to the weather report and it's going to rain tomorrow, so I can spend the day cooking yummy snacks!



Have a go

Blacken the circle next to the correct answer.

- Where did Brian and his friends meet before they went to the park?
 - A. at school
 - B. at the statue
 - C. at the school gate
 - D. at the park gate
- How did the writer feel when he looked at the statue?
 - A. amazed
 - B. sad
 - C. distressed
 - D. angry
- The picnic was _____.
 - A. horrible
 - B. enjoyable
 - C. boring
 - D. delicious
- Brian watched a cookery show because _____.
 - A. it was raining
 - B. he loved biscuits
 - C. he wanted to cook something for his parents
 - D. he wanted to learn to make biscuits





Vocabulary List

Unit 1

airport (n) 機場	cinema (n) 戲院	supermarket (n) 超級市場
shopping centre (n) 購物中心	reduce (v) 減少	reduction (n) 減價
produce (v) 生產	production (n) 產品	introduce (v) 介紹
introduction (n) 介紹		

Unit 2

ancient building (n) 古建築	floating market (n) 水上市場	statue (n) 雕像
temple (n) 廟宇	unload (v) 卸貨	undo (v) 解開
unlock (v) 開鎖		

Unit 3

handle (n) 柄 / 把手	pole (n) 桿	footrest (n) 腳踏
spring (n) 彈簧	travel (v) 旅行	traveller (n) 旅客
report (v) 報導	reporter (n) 記者	light (v) 點燃 / 照亮
lighter (n) 打火機		

Unit 4

cartoon (n) 卡通	news report (n) 新聞報導	sports programme (n) 體育節目
weather report (n) 天氣報告	amazed (adj) 吃驚的	amazingly (adv) 令人驚奇地