



Essential Reading Skills

Identifying the use of tenses in descriptions

Five years ago, she **was** an ordinary student nobody knew. Now, she **is** a famous singer and everyone screams when she **is** on stage!

We often use the **past simple tense** to talk about someone's life in the past. We use the **present simple and present continuous** to talk about their life today.

Identifying topic sentences

This week, Jenny is going to Kyoto to show us around this elegant city. She is going to learn how to make traditional Japanese desserts.

A **topic sentence** introduces the topic(s).

Identifying modifying words and adjectives

He owns an **extremely** large company, but he is **very** modest about his success.

We can add **modifying words** in front of adjectives.



Text Type Analysis

Invitation

Fancy dress party

Date: 24 August (Saturday)

Time: 6.30 p.m – 9.00 p.m.

Venue: The Bookworm Café (next to Ho's Bakery)

Theme of the party: Characters from children's books

Choose any book you enjoy and your favourite character in it. My favourite is fantasy — guess who I want to dress up as? Aslan, the lion from the *Narnia* books? An Ent from the *Hobbit*? No — I want to be the White Rabbit from *Alice in Wonderland*!

There is a prize for the best costume. My Aunt Betty and Uncle Sam will be the judges. They own a clothes shop and know a lot about dressing up! There's one more thing. I don't want everyone wearing the same costume. Can you send me an email to tell me which character you are going to be and what you want to wear? I can then let you know whether or not to change it. Thanks! See you at the party!

Ellie

Name of event

Details (Date, time, venue, theme)

Description of the event

Sender

Biography

New golf prodigy — Lucy Li

Lucy Li has broken a record in golf history after she became the youngest player to qualify for the US Women's Open golf championship. The 11-year-old golfer is a year younger than Lexi Thomson when she qualified for the same competition in 2007.

Lucy Li was born in California, U.S.A. She got into golf by chance four years ago. She picked up her first golf club when she was waiting for her brother and cousin to finish a golf tournament...

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Young golfers often compete with experienced golfers. Apart from Lucy Li and Lexi Thomson, there have been other golf prodigies who achieved success at a young age. Michelle Wie won a major tournament in Hawaii when she was only 11. Guan Tian-lang competed in the Men's China Open in Tianjin when he was 13.

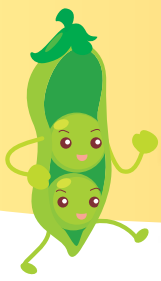
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School notice board



20 minutes

Text Type

School notices

Skills Focus Identifying dates and times

Chess Club Monthly Meeting

Date: 18 October (Friday)

Time: 4.00 p.m. – 5.00 p.m.

Venue: Room 201

Look through the headings to find out the **date** and **time** of an activity or event.



Word Preview — School activities



a school choir



a Chinese orchestra



a Western orchestra



a football match



Reading school notices

Raymond is looking at the notice board at school.

Happy birthday, School!

Thirty years ago, our school opened with 95 children and five teachers. We moved to a bigger building ten years later and five years ago we opened the Art Centre.

To celebrate our anniversary, we are organizing a variety of events throughout the school year. Put **27 September (Saturday)** in your diaries for an afternoon of activities!

Good news from Football Club

Our school team beat Grey Coat School in the inter-school football match last Tuesday! The score was 3-1. Well done to all the players, especially Derek Kwan who scored all the goals!

Musical Evening

Date: 10 October (Friday)

Time: 6.00 p.m. to 7.30 p.m.

Venue: School hall

- Children's songs by the school choir with Alan Chan (the champion of the inter-school piano contest this year)!
- A Chinese Orchestra and a Western Orchestra!
- Solos and duets!

Congratulations to Alice Wong for winning first prize in the Dance Competition and Claire Lee for being the runner-up! Congratulations to Marie Wu for coming first in the Singing Competition!



Visit to an Old People's Home

Students who have volunteered to help at the old people's home next Sunday please come to Room 201 on Thursday after school for a briefing.

Lost property

We have two pairs of glasses, three black pens, a paperback dictionary and a science textbook. If you have lost any of these things, please come to the school office.



Have a go

Answer these questions about the school notices. Blacken the circle next to the correct answer.

- The school moved to another building _____.
 A. this year
 B. five years ago
 C. twenty years ago
 D. thirty years ago
- Who came second in the Dance Competition?
 A. Alan Chan
 B. Alice Wong
 C. Marie Wu
 D. Claire Lee
- Which of the following is not true?
 A. Raymond's school played a football match with Grey Coat School last Tuesday.
 B. Derek Kwan scored three goals in the football match.
 C. Raymond's school lost in the inter-school football match last Tuesday.
 D. Derek Kwan is a student at Grey Coat School.
- What are some of the students doing next Sunday?
 A. going to the school anniversary celebration
 B. taking part in a musical evening
 C. playing in an inter-school football match
 D. visiting to an old people's home



Answering Tips

second = runner-up



5. Which of the following is NOT lost property?



A.



B.

C.



D.



Level Up

Answer the questions and complete the sentences.

1. Raymond's school is celebrating its _____ anniversary.

2. Who is Alan Chan?

3. Alice Wong _____ the first prize in the Dancing Competition.

4. When is the briefing on the visit to the old people's home?

5. Raymond has lost his science textbook. Where can he go to find it?

Answering Tips

Write an ordinal number.

Help You Write

Use the correct tense.



Word Bank

The word 'score' is usually used to refer to *points* or *goals*, so words with 'score' also relate to competitions or games:

- **scoreboard** (n) — a large board to show the score in a competition or a game
- **scoreline** (n) — the final score in a competition or a game
- **scoreless** (adj) — no team gets any points or goals





Reading a school notice

Brian is reading a school notice.

Bayside Primary School

Dear Students,

New opening times of the school swimming pool

Day	Morning session	Afternoon session	Evening session
Mon – Thu	10.00 a.m. – 12.30 a.m.	/	5.30 p.m. – 8.30 p.m.
Fri	Closed for cleaning		
Sat	11.00 a.m. – 1.00 p.m.	2.00 p.m. – 4.30 p.m.	6.00 p.m. – 9.00 p.m.
Sun	11.30 a.m. – 1.00 p.m.	2.00 p.m. – 4.00 p.m.	6.00 p.m. – 8.00 p.m.

Please note:

- The last admission to the pool is 20 minutes before the end of each session. For example, on Saturday morning, you cannot go into the pool after 12.40 p.m.
- Please leave the changing rooms a maximum of 20 minutes after the end of each session.
- The afternoon sessions are only for lane swimming. Any person who is a non-swimmer (NS) cannot take part in lane swimming. An NS is someone who cannot swim for 25 metres without swimming aids such as armbands or a ring.

Mr Tony Cheung
P.E. teacher



Have a go

Blacken the circle next to the correct answer.

- How often is the swimming pool closed all day?
 - A. once a week
 - B. twice a week
 - C. three times a week
 - D. four times a week
- Students cannot stay in the changing rooms after _____ on Mondays.
 - A. 5.30 p.m.
 - B. 5.50 p.m.
 - C. 8.30 p.m.
 - D. 8.50 p.m.
- You cannot go into the swimming pool after _____ on Sunday afternoon.
 - A. 1.40 p.m.
 - B. 2.00 p.m.
 - C. 3.00 p.m.
 - D. 3.40 p.m.
- Non-swimmers cannot swim at _____.
 - A. 11.00 a.m.
 - B. 11.30 a.m.
 - C. 2.00 p.m.
 - D. 6.00 p.m.





Vocabulary List

Unit 1

school choir (n) 合唱團	Chinese Orchestra (n) 中樂團	Western Orchestra (n) 交響樂團
football match (n) 足球比賽	scoreboard (n) 記分板	scoreline (n) 得分
scoreless (adj) 無得分的		

Unit 2

Mid-Autumn Festival (n) 中秋節	Easter (n) 復活節	Christmas (n) 聖誕節
Chinese New Year (n) 農曆新年	deafen (v) 使人震耳欲聾	sadden (v) 使人傷感
whiten (v) 變白		

Unit 3

astronaut (n) 太空人	musician (n) 音樂家	singer (n) 歌手
athlete (n) 運動員	exploration (n) 勘查	exploratory (adj) 探索的
explorer (n) 探險者		

Unit 4

newspapers (n) 報紙	chopsticks (n) 筷子	can (n) 罐
shoe box (n) 鞋盒	creation (n) 創作	creator (n) 創作人
creativity (n) 創意	creatively (adv) 創新地	