

EXERCISE 4

Text Type

Story

Marks:

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Read this story carefully.

The Ant and the Bird

One sunny day, an ant went down to the **bank** of a river to drink water. Suddenly, it slipped and fell into the water. The ant tried to swim back to the bank but it was unable to reach it.



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When it thought it was going to die, a bird flew by. It saw the ant in the water. The bird picked up a leaf and dropped the leaf into the water. The ant quickly climbed onto the leaf and was safe.

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A few days later, the ant saw the bird again. It stood on a tree. A hunter was aiming his **rifle** at the bird. As the ant was grateful to the bird, it wanted to save the bird's life. It **crawled** towards the hunter and bit his ankle. The hunter yelled out in pain. The bird heard the hunter's yell and quickly flew away. At last the brave ant saved the bird's life.

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Vocabulary Booster



bank (n.): the side of a river

rifle (n.): a type of gun

crawl (v.): to move using legs

Choose the best answer and write its number in the boxes.

- 1 How did the bird save the ant? [1 mark]
- (1) It flew to the bank of the river.
 (2) It dropped a leaf into the water.
 (3) It picked up the ant.
 (4) It stood on a tree.

- 2 How did the ant save the bird's life? [1 mark]
- (1) It bit the hunter's ankle.
 (2) It yelled out.
 (3) It aimed a rifle at the hunter.
 (4) It asked for help.

Match the words with the meanings. Write the correct letters in the blanks. [4 marks]

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| 3 (1) slip (line 4) | _____ | a. to fall |
| (2) unable (line 6) | _____ | b. feeling thankful |
| (3) grateful (line 15) | _____ | c. courageous |
| (4) brave (line 18) | _____ | d. not able to do something |

Answer the questions in complete sentences.

- 4 Why did the ant go down to the river bank? [2 marks]

- 5 Why did the ant save the bird's life? [2 marks]



TIP!

Look for the answer in the last paragraph.

EXERCISE 12

 **Text Type**
Itinerary

Marks:
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Read this itinerary carefully.

CAMERON HIGHLANDS TOUR

Day One

- 10:00 p.m. Report at the entrance of Allan Tour Agency
- 10:30 p.m. Leave Singapore for Cameron Highlands
- 12:30 a.m. Stop for a **break** at Yong Peng, Malaysia
- 9:30 a.m. Reach Cameron Highlands Hotel (**free and easy** for the rest of the day)

Day Two

- 7:30 a.m. Breakfast
- 8:30 a.m. Meet at the entrance of Cameron Highlands Hotel
- 9:00 a.m. 1st Stop of Half-day Tour — Strawberry Farm
(Buy strawberries or pay a fee to pick them yourself)
- 10:30 a.m. 2nd Stop of Half-day Tour — Bee Farm
(Buy fresh honey)
- 12 noon Lunch at mid-mountain village
- 1:00 p.m. 3rd Stop of Half-day Tour — Boh Tea **Plantation**
(Try different teas at the plantation. Learn to make tea and buy your favourite tea)
- 3:30 p.m. Stop at Mini Local Product Shops
- 4:30 p.m. Return to Cameron Highlands Hotel (free and easy for the rest of the day)

Vocabulary Booster



break (n.): rest

free and easy (adj.): relaxed

plantation (n.): a large farm

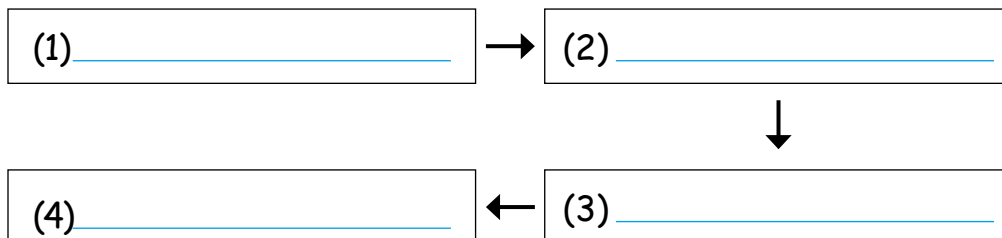
Are these sentences true (T) or false (F)? Write 'T' or 'F' in the blanks. [2 marks]

1 There are many types of tea at Boh Tea Plantation. _____

2 Tourists can get honey for free at Bee Farm. _____

On the second day, where do the tourists go? Fill in the blanks with the correct places. [4 marks]

3	Bee Farm	Mini Local Product Shops
	Strawberry Farm	Boh Tea Plantation



Fill in the blanks.

4 What can the tourists do at Boh Tea Plantation? [3 marks]

(1) _____ (2) _____

(3) _____



TIP!

When do the tourists leave Singapore? When do they reach Cameron Highlands Hotel?

Give short answers.

5 How long does it take to go from Singapore to Cameron Highlands Hotel? [1 mark]

6 What should a tourist do to pick strawberries himself at Strawberry Farm? [1 mark]

EXERCISE 19

Text Type
Advertisement

Marks:
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Read this advertisement carefully.

Bright Eyes Optical

GIVE US YOUR OLD GLASSES AND GET *\$50 OFF

Bring in glasses of any brand, shape and colour.

Broken glasses will not be accepted.

**We Have Different Designs, Colours and Brands
For You to Choose from.**

Hurry Down to Any of Our Shops Now!

Promotion Period:

25th January – 31st January

- * You will get *\$50 off the price of the new pair of glasses.
- * You have to decide on the new glasses on the same day.
- * We will not pay for any old glasses.
- * Range of **frames** for the new glasses.
- * You may add money to choose other frames.
- * Once the **deal** is settled, the old glasses belong to Bright Eyes Optical.
- * Bright Eyes Optical may refuse to accept any old glasses.



Vocabulary Booster



promotion (n.): an activity to sell a product

frame (n.): the part of a pair of a eyeglasses that holds the lenses in position

deal (n.): a business agreement

Choose the best answer and write its number in the box.

- 1 What will the customer get if he gives a pair of old glasses to the shop? [1 mark]
- (1) a pair of new glasses
(2) fifty dollars in cash
(3) fifty dollars off the price of the new pair of glasses
(4) a gift

Are these sentences true (T) or false (F)? Write 'T' or 'F' in the blanks. [4 marks]

- 2 Customers can choose other frames for free. _____
- 3 The shop will decide on the shape and colour of the new glasses. _____
- 4 The shop will own the old glasses once the deal is settled. _____
- 5 The shop can refuse to take any old glasses. _____

Fill in each blank with ONE word. [3 marks]

decide frame offers

- 6 The shop _____ different glasses to customers.
- 7 The _____ of his old glasses is rectangular in shape.
- 8 They _____ to buy a new pair of glasses.

Give short answers.

- 9 What is the name of the shop? [1 mark]
- _____
- 10 How long will the promotion last? [1 mark]
- _____



TIP!

How many days are there in the promotion period?

EXERCISE 29

Text Type

Article

Marks:

/8

Read this article carefully.

Dental Health

For our dental health, we should visit the dentist at least twice a year to check our teeth. We should never visit a dentist only when we feel pain.

We should take care of our teeth and gums since we are young. Mothers should clean their babies' **gums** with a soft cloth before the first milk tooth comes out.



We should brush our teeth at least twice a day. To avoid tooth decay and gum disease, we should floss our teeth every day. Brushing and flossing help to remove the food left in between teeth. Using the right kind of toothbrush and toothpaste is also very important. We should never use a toothbrush with hard **bristles**. It hurts our gums and teeth. As for toothpaste, we should use a toothpaste which has fluoride. This is because fluoride helps prevent **cavities**.

For people with sensitive teeth, they may feel a sharp pain if they eat hot or cold things. They should use a different kind of toothpaste and visit the dentist. To avoid tooth decay, we should eat less sugary foods and drinks. We should also brush our teeth before we go to sleep. If we take care of our teeth well, we can have a beautiful smile!

Vocabulary Booster



gum (n.): the firm pink flesh inside the mouth

bristle (n.): the brush part of a toothbrush is made of many bristles

cavity (n.): a hole in your teeth

Choose the best answer and write its number in the boxes.

1 We should start caring for our teeth before _____. [1 mark]

- (1) we go to bed
- (2) our first milk tooth comes out
- (3) we eat solid food
- (4) we eat sugary foods or drinks

2 How can we avoid tooth decay and gum disease? [1 mark]

- (1) brush our teeth twice daily
- (2) brush our teeth and floss them once a week
- (3) brush our teeth twice and floss them daily
- (4) brush and floss our teeth many times daily

Are these sentences true (T) or false (F)? Write 'T' or 'F' in the blanks. [2 marks]

3 We should visit the dentist only when we feel pain. _____

4 We should use a toothbrush with soft bristles and a toothpaste with fluoride. _____

Answer the questions in complete sentences.

5 Why shouldn't we use a toothbrush with hard bristles? [2 marks]

6 What should people with sensitive teeth do? [2 marks]



TIP!

Look for the answer in the last paragraph.