

How to use this book

1 Preparation

Christmas

On the twenty-fifth of December, known as Christmas Day, people gather with their family and become busy preparing for merrymaking.

2 Comprehension

1. What does "merrymaking" mean?
2. According to the paragraph, what do people do on Christmas day?

3 Questions

1. How do you enjoy Christmas?
2. Do you go to church on Christmas Eve?
3. Do you decorate your house at Christmas?

4 Vocabulary & Expressions

merrymaking : Participation in festive activities

gather : To cause to come together

5 Review

1. Marble is used to _____ parts of buildings.
2. Will you _____ seats with me?

① Preparation

上课之前,自己练习说一说话题,检查对paragraph的理解程度,看网络教材并听三遍MP3录音,听完后模仿正确的发音和语气,慢慢读三遍再快速读三遍并背诵。

② Comprehension

利用paragraph,检查学生有没有正确地理解课文,学生应该提前准备paragraph相关内容,才能正常上课。

③ Questions

这个阶段, Topic多样的问题和老师互相交流意见,听问题,用英语思考,再用英语表达出来的主题对话的训练过程。对Topic的提问,本人用自己思考后的方式回答的这种努力过程,可以激发学生以前积累的词汇,英语写作等能力。

LEVEL 4-C

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Mama's Boy

I heard my husband talking on the phone this morning. He said, "Sure, mom. It's Okay... It will be just fine... It's no problem for us." After he hung up, I asked him what it was all about, and he told me that his mom will have an annual party at her house. I was disappointed at him for agreeing on her plan without asking me. He never refuses his mom's words. He thinks it's a way to be a dutiful son towards his mom. But, I think he's just a mama's boy.

* Comprehension

1. What did his mother call for?
2. How was her husband's attitude on the phone?

* Questions

1. What do you mean by "mama's boy"?
2. Do you like mama's boy? Why or why not?
3. Are there many mamas' boys in your country?
4. Do you think you are somehow mama's boy or papa's girl?
5. What is the difference between 'mama's boy' and 'dutiful son'?

* Vocabulary & Expressions

hang up : to end a telephone conversation

annual : happening once a year (= yearly)

mean : to have or represent a particular meaning

* Review

Fill in the blank with the proper words in the box.

annual

attitude

argue

somehow

mean

1. What does 'Konbanwa' _____ in English?
2. Where is the _____ conference held?
3. Don't worry! We'll get the money back _____.
4. As soon as they found out that I was a doctor, their whole _____ changed.
5. I'm not going to _____ with you, but I think you're wrong.

Answers

1. mean

2. annual

3. somehow

4. attitude

5. argue

* Note

Divorced Woman

Four years ago, while I was working overseas, I met a divorced woman with three children who was working at a minimum-wage job. First, I was impressed with her independence and strong sense of responsibility. I became very close to her and her children and we had a pleasant time spending our summer vacation together. As time went by, I found myself missing her so much. In the end, I wrote her and asked her to marry me.

* Comprehension

1. What does "a minimum-wage job" mean?
2. How does he feel about the divorced woman?

* Questions

1. What is your idea of "DIVORCE"?
2. Do you think it's alright to marry a divorced man / woman?
3. Why do you think people get divorced?
4. Why is divorce getting increased nowadays?
5. What do you think is the important thing to maintain a happy marriage?

* Vocabulary & Expressions

overseas : in a foreign country somewhere across the sea

wage : money you earn that is paid according to the number of hours, days or weeks that you work

go by : to pass

* Review

Fill in the blank with the proper words in the box.

overseas

wage

go by

pleasant

divorce

1. Carmen is going to work _____.
2. Never let a good opportunity _____.
3. I know you don't like her, but at least try to be _____.
4. My new job is not very exciting, but I earn a good _____.
5. Many people don't take marriage seriously and _____ so easily.

* Answers

1. overseas

2. go by

3. pleasant

4. wage

5. divorce

* Note

Childless Couples

These days we can see many childless couples around even though they got married quite a long time ago. They may have an option not to have a child for their freedom, but some may suffer from infertility. However, childless couples live in a vacuum. They try to fill their lonely lives with dinner dates, theater, golf, tennis, swimming, civic affairs and trips all over the world. The emptiness of life without children is incommunicable.

* Comprehension

1. Who are childless couples?
2. What do the childless couples do for their lonely lives?

* Questions

1. Why do you think so many people want children?
2. Do you think people should have children when they get married?
3. Do you like children? How many children do you want to have?
4. If you had some difficulty in having babies, would you want to adopt?
5. What do you think of your marriage without children?

* Vocabulary & Expressions

childless : having no children

in a vacuum : existing completely separately from other people or things and having no connection with them

civic : connected with a town or city

affairs : public or political events and activities

incommunicable : uncommunicative

adopt : to legally make another person's child part of your family so that he or she becomes one of your own children

* Review

Fill in the blank with the proper words in the box.

emptiness	adopted	incommunicable
lonely	civic	

1. My mother was _____ when she was three.
2. Don't you get _____ being on your own all day?
3. She felt a (an) _____ in her heart when he left.
4. It is your _____ duty to vote in the local elections.
5. Discouragement about failing university exam is _____.

* Answers

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|------------|-----------|--------------|----------|-------------------|
| 1. adopted | 2. lonely | 3. emptiness | 4. civic | 5. incommunicable |
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* Note

Household Chores

Yesterday I spent two hours cleaning the kitchen from top to bottom. After supper I said to my spouse, "Harry, let's wash the dishes before we go to bed so we can wake up to a beautiful clean kitchen." He said, "Fine." Sometimes I don't want to do household chores at all because they are usually repeated in daily life. Thankfully, my husband is favorable when I need his help and it's the reason that I can do household chores everyday.

* Comprehension

1. What did the writer do yesterday?
2. How does the writer feel about her husband's reaction?

* Questions

1. What are household chores?
2. Do you like doing household chores?
If so, what kind of household chores do you do?
3. Who does household chores mostly in your house?
4. What household chore do you dislike the most?
5. If you get married and have to divide household chores in your house, what household chore would you do?

* Vocabulary & Expressions

supper : dinner; the last meal of the evening

chore : a job that you have to do regularly, especially work that you do to keep a house clean

favorable : showing that someone or something is good or that you agree with them

* Review

Fill in the blank with the proper words in the box.

favorable	supper	reaction
chores	divide	

1. What was Jeff's _____ when you told him about the job?
2. Why don't you come over and have _____ with me?
3. My wife always complains about doing household _____ alone.
4. The film received _____ review.
5. Let's _____ the cost by two.

* Answers

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|-------------|-----------|-----------|--------------|-----------|
| 1. reaction | 2. supper | 3. chores | 4. favorable | 5. divide |
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* Note

Reading Books

In observing my students over the years, I've discovered that avid readers acquire their love of reading at home, from their parents. No teacher can pass along a passion for books the way a loving mother or father can. My best readers remember cozy bedtime stories, sharing books with friends and siblings, and the freedom and encouragement to read whatever they wanted to.

* Comprehension

1. What is the writer talking about?
2. Who has the passion for books?

* Questions

1. Do you love reading books?
If so, what kind of books do you like to read?
2. What is your favorite book?
3. Who is your favorite author?
4. How often do you read a book?
5. What kind of books did you read when you were young?

* Vocabulary & Expressions

avid : someone who does something as much as they can

acquire : to buy or obtain something, especially something expensive or difficult to get

passion : a strong liking for something

cozy : a place that is cozy is small, comfortable and friendly

sibling : a brother or sister

* Review

Fill in the blank with the proper words in the box.

cozy	acquire	avid
passion	siblings	

1. My brother is such a (an) _____ collector of old jazz records.
2. The museum has managed to _____ an important work by Dali.
3. Michael has a (an) _____ for baseball.
4. How many _____ do you have?
5. I'm looking for a (an) _____ place near a subway station.

* Answers

1. avid 2. acquire 3. passion 4. siblings 5. cozy

* Note

Cell-phones and Kids

It wasn't so long ago that parents asked their kids to double-check if they had a pager so they could call home, if needed. Then cell-phones came along. Most of the teenagers and some children carry cell-phones with them everywhere. Parents are totally clueless about what kids are doing with their cell-phones. They are taking pictures, sending text messages, surfing the web, playing games and listening to MP3 player.

* Comprehension

1. What was a pager?
2. What do children do with their cell-phones?

* Questions

1. Do you think that kids should have cell-phones? Why or why not?
2. What are the new features of Korean cell-phones?
3. Many cell-phones are stolen in the States, is it the same in Korea?
4. What do you use your cell-phones for?
5. How much do you use your cell-phone in a day?

* Vocabulary & Expressions

pager : a small machine that you carry in a pocket, that makes short high noises to tell the person who is wearing it that they must call someone

clueless : having no understanding or knowledge of something

surfing : looking quickly through information on the computer internet for anything that interests you

feature : a part of something that you notice because it seems important, interesting or typical

* Review

Fill in the blank with the proper words in the box.

papers

clueless

totally

features

surfing

1. He was completely _____ about the rules of the game.
2. I'm _____ the net with a high-speed modem.
3. The house has many interesting _____, including a large Victorian fireplace.
4. Doctors are always carrying _____.
5. I have a _____ different point of view about that issue.

* Answers

1. clueless

2. surfing

3. features

4. papers

5. totally

* Note

Friendship

There are several important aspects in life. Friendship is one of them and it is as special as family to people. The more friends you have, the richer your life will be. Strong friendships can give you powerful energy when you feel gloomy and also give you supportive solutions when you're in difficulties. Many things are constantly changed as time goes by; however, the importance of friendship is never weakened in our lives.

* Comprehension

1. What is the writer talking about?
2. Why are strong friendships important?

* Questions

1. What do you mean by friend?
2. How do you keep your friendship?
3. What do you think is a good friend?
4. How often do you meet your friends?
5. In what aspects do your friends influence you?

* Vocabulary & Expressions

gloomy : sad because you think the situation will not improve

weaken : to make someone or something less powerful or less important or to become less powerful

* Review

Fill in the blank with the proper words in the box.

special

powerful

weakened

constantly

gloomy

1. When I saw her _____ face, I realized something was wrong.
2. Russia's influence on African affairs has _____.
3. Today's _____ dish is mushroom risotto.
4. As I walked through the town, I _____ recollected memories of my childhood.
5. At this point, we need a (an) _____ leader.

* Answers

1. gloomy

2. weakened

3. special

4. constantly

5. powerful

* Note

Adoption

Most children placed for adoption is a result of the biological parents' decision that they are unable to adequately care for a child. There are some cases that biological parents have lost their responsibilities and rights due to neglect or abuse. A small percentage of children who were adopted have been orphaned because of the death of their biological parents.

* Comprehension

1. What does "adoption" mean?
2. Who are biological parents?

* Questions

1. What are some of the reasons people choose to adopt?
2. What are the views of adoption in your country?
3. Would you want to adopt a boy or a girl? Why or why not?
4. Are adoptions common in Korea?
5. Should you tell the child that he or she was adopted?
If so, when will be appropriate?

* Vocabulary & Expressions

adoption : the act or process of adopting a child (cf. adopt: to legally make another person's child part of your family so that he or she becomes one of your own children)

adequate : good enough in quality for a particular purpose or activity

abuse : to treat someone in a cruel and violent way, especially someone that you should look after

orphan : a child whose parents are both dead, or to become an orphan

* Review

Fill in the blank with the proper words in the box.

neglected	care	abused
adequate	adopt	

1. Are the parking facilities _____ for hundred cars?
2. Would you _____ for a cup of coffee?
3. Many of these ideas have been _____ by modern historians.
4. Sometimes childless couples _____ children.
5. People who were _____ as children often turn into child-abusers themselves.

* Answers

1. adequate 2. care 3. neglected 4. adopt 5. abused

* Note

School Uniforms

Boards may establish a dress code policy requiring students to wear school uniforms or may establish minimum standards of dress code. School districts may establish a reasonable dress code policy that requires pupils to wear a school wide uniform or prohibits pupils from wearing 'gang-related apparel'. So do you think school uniforms are really necessary?

* Comprehension

1. What can be a dress code policy?
2. What is 'gang-related apparel'?

* Questions

1. Did you wear uniform in school?
2. Do you think students should wear uniforms? Why or why not?
3. What other uniforms do you know except school uniforms?
4. What are merits of wearing uniforms?
5. What are demerits of wearing uniforms?

* Vocabulary & Expressions

board : a group of people in an organization who make the rules and important decisions

district : a particular area of a town or the countryside

pupil : someone who is being taught, especially a child

prohibit : to officially stop an activity by making it illegal or against the rules

* Review

Fill in the blank with the proper words in the box.

established

prohibited

pupils

policy

district

1. This school has about 1000 _____.
2. Photographing in the theater is definitely _____.
3. Jane bought a semi-detached house in a pleasant suburban _____.
4. They have _____ themselves as the most powerful political party in the country.
5. According to our refund _____, we can't do anything without a receipt.

* Answers

1. pupils

2. prohibited

3. district

4. established

5. policy

* Note

Free Labor

My husband has been in business for 10 years. He hires further help whenever he needs it and I work for him when he asks me to. The question we would like to settle is this: Is it proper for a man to pay his wife wage? My husband says no. He claims it's an insult to the relationship. He argues that I don't get paid for household chores. But, I disagree with him. It's his work I'm helping out with so I think I should get paid for what I do.

* Comprehension

1. When did the writer work for her husband?
2. Why didn't he pay his wife's wage?

* Questions

1. Do you work? If so, what do you do?
2. Do you think you are properly compensated?
3. How do people find the employment in your country?
4. What do you think about running a family business?
5. What do you think about free labor?

* Vocabulary & Expressions

settle : establish, set up

claim : to officially demand or receive money from an organization

insult : to say or do something that is rude and offensive to someone

compensate : to replace or balance something good that has been lost or is lacking, by providing or doing something equally good

* Review

Fill in the blank with the proper words in the box.

settle

compensate

insulted

claim

proper

1. You can _____ the insurance if you get into an accident while on your vacation.
2. Because my left eye is so weak, my right eye has to work harder to _____.
3. My mother needs _____ medical attention.
4. The sediment will _____ in the bottle after a few days.
5. I hope Andy won't feel _____ if I turn down his invitation.

* Answers

1. claim

2. compensate

3. proper

4. settle

5. insulted

* Note

Everlasting Memories

Everlasting memories are the most exciting and unique gifts you can give yourself, family or friends. There are various ways to capture the special moments. Some everlasting memories are personalized scrapbooks of your favorite photos enhanced with artistic graphics and backgrounds - even set your own tune if you wish. These aren't just memories; they are the parts of our lives and soul.

* Comprehension

1. What do everlasting memories do to our lives?
2. According to the paragraph, how can you capture the special everlasting memories?

* Questions

1. Do you have any unforgettable memories? If so, what are they?
2. What do you think memories mean to people?
3. When was the most precious moment in your life?
4. Why do you think people keep memories and sometimes indulge in reminiscence?
5. What kind of memories do you think people want to forget?

* Vocabulary & Expressions

unique : being the only one of its kind

enhance : to improve something

tune : to make a musical instrument play at the right pitch

* Review

Fill in the blank with the proper words in the box.

tune	unforgettable	enhanced
unique	forever	

1. Each person's fingerprints are _____.
2. The flavor of most foods can be _____ by good cooking.
3. Someone's coming tomorrow to _____ the piano.
4. The colors of New England in the fall are _____.
5. Our love will last _____.

* Answers

1. unique 2. enhanced 3. tune 4. unforgettable 5. forever

* Note

Learning Different Languages

Two mice sat in their hole watching the cat lurk outside. "I know how to make the cat go away," said the first mouse. "How?" the second mouse asked surprisingly. "Watch! Bow, bow!!!" barked the first mouse. Peering through their hole in the wall, they saw the cat running away in fear. "Wow, this is the benefit of knowing another language!" said the second mouse.

* Comprehension

1. What are two mice doing?
2. What is the writer talking about through the passage above?

* Questions

1. Do you want to learn different languages? Why or why not?
2. What languages can you speak?
3. What are the advantages of knowing different languages?
4. What other languages do you want to learn? Why?
5. What are differences between Korean and English?

* Vocabulary & Expressions

lurk : to move secretly; sneak

peering : looking very carefully and curiously

benefit : something that gives you advantages or improves your life in some way

* Review

Fill in the blank with the proper words in the box.

surprisingly ran away in fear
go away

1. Tony _____ from home at the age of 15.
2. _____! Leave me alone!
3. When I visited my grandmother, she opened the door _____.
4. I called the police _____ when I found out somebody tried to invade my house.

* Answers

1. ran away

2. go away

3. surprisingly

4. in fear

* Note

Explaining Death

There are some contents that can be difficult to explain to the children. Death is a difficult subject for adults to confer among themselves and even more of a challenge to talk about with their children. However, it is not a subject to be avoided. A parent's willingness to answer a child's questions or retort to their comments can be very reassuring.

* Comprehension

1. What is the writer talking about?
2. How is 'death' a difficult subject to adults?

* Questions

1. What is your understanding of death?
2. Are you afraid to die? Why or why not?
3. How would you explain to your children if they ask about death?
4. Do you think you are prepared to face death?
5. Are you going to make a will? Why or why not?

* Vocabulary & Expressions

confer : to discuss something with other people so that everyone can express their opinions and decide on something

avoid : to deliberately stay away from someone or something

willing : to be prepared to do something or have no reason to not want to do it (n. willingness)

retort : to reply quickly in an angry or humorous way

reassure : to make someone feel calmer and less worried or frightened about a problem or situation

* Review

Fill in the blank with the proper words in the box.

willing	conferring	reassured
avoid	retorted	

1. The congresswoman is _____ with the president.
2. Jon was embarrassed and tried to _____ us the next day.
3. How much are they _____ to pay?
4. "It's all your fault!" he _____.
5. They apologized and _____ us that the matter would be dealt immediately.

* Answers

1. conferring 2. avoid 3. willing 4. retorted 5. reassured

* Note

Politicians

Politicians are elected to make laws that help their country. We want them to be honest so they can serve our country without selfishness. The candidates strongly persuade us to believe in their words before the final Election Day. But many of them fail to live up to our standard of ethics after they have been elected. If we think our political leaders are not fully qualified, we should get rid of them at the next poll.

* Comprehension

1. What is the problem of politicians?
2. What is the writer talking about unqualified politicians?

* Questions

1. What can you say about politicians?
2. Do you think politicians are being honest with their community when it comes to serving the people?
3. Have you ever dreamt of being a politician?
4. How often is the President or Congressman election held in your country?
5. Who is your favorite politician? Why?

* Vocabulary & Expressions

live up to : if someone lives up to a standard, reputation or promise they do as well as they were expected to, do what they promised, etc.

ethics : moral rules or principles of behavior for deciding what is right and wrong

qualified : having suitable knowledge, experience or qualifications, especially for a particular job

poll : an election to choose a government or political representative

* Review

Fill in the blank with the proper words in the box.

ethics

poll

lived up to

qualified

get rid of

1. The book certainly _____ his expectations.
2. The _____ of his actions are suspected, but technically he is within the law.
3. There are highly _____ engineering staffs in this factory.
4. The result of the _____ won't be known until midnight.
5. It's time for us to _____ all these old toys.

* Answers

1. lived up to

2. ethics

3. qualified

4. poll

5. get rid of

* Note

Music Appreciation

How important is music in life? Music is settled unconsciously in our mind. It is a way to express one's feelings and listen for pleasure. When we feel gloomy, we tend to listen to a song with sad lyrics to cry ourselves out or listen to an earsplitting music to let out the stress. The lyrics can help us to deliver our feelings to others and beautiful melodies can make our feelings pleasant. How do you appreciate music?

* Comprehension

1. What is the writer talking about?
2. When do we listen to a song with sad lyrics?

* Questions

1. Do you like music? If so, what sort of music do you like?
2. What kind of music do you listen to when you feel gloomy?
3. What kind of music do you listen to when you feel happy?
4. How do you feel when you listen to a song with sad lyrics?
5. Do you think music is necessary in our lives? Why or why not?

* Vocabulary & Expressions

unconscious : not actively thinking about it; unaware of it (adv. unconsciously)

lyrics : the words of a song

earsplitting : extremely loud

* Review

Fill in the blank with the proper words in the box.

unconscious

earsplitting

settled

let out

deliver

1. After returning from abroad, they _____ in Chicago.
2. Suddenly a (an) _____ shriek came from behind the door.
3. Do you _____ on Saturdays?
4. I believe that all people have a (an) _____ need to be loved.
5. He was in a high-security jail and would probably never be _____.

* Answers

1. settled

2. earsplitting

3. deliver

4. unconscious

5. let out

* Note

The Astrology

Astrology is the study of the relationship between the bodies such as sun, moon, planets and their relationship to human behavior. The position of these bodies of relationship reflects a person's character by their birth. Therefore, astrologers predict that the knowledge of the person's character and the relation to the bodies correlate to make their destiny.

* Comprehension

1. What is astrology according to the paragraph?
2. How does astrology determine our destiny?

* Questions

1. What is your constellation?
2. What are characters of your constellation?
3. Do you believe in astrologers' prediction? Why or why not?
4. Where do you see astrologers in your country?
5. What's the difference between astrologers and fortunetellers?

* Vocabulary & Expressions

astrology : the study of the relationship between the movements of the stars and their influence on people and events

correlate : to relate on to another

destiny : the things that will happen to someone in the future, especially those that cannot be changed or controlled

constellation : a group of stars that forms a particular pattern and has a name

* Review

Fill in the blank with the proper words in the box.

planet	reflects	correlate
destiny	predict	

1. Her huge salary _____ the status of the job.
2. It is drifting northward so slowly that forecasters are unable to _____ when it might hit land.
3. Scientists have been unable to _____ their findings with recent increases in radioactivity levels.
4. Jane accepted her _____ without complaint.
5. Daytime temperature on the _____ Mercury can reach up to 430°C.

* Answers

1. reflects 2. predict 3. correlate 4. destiny 5. planet

* Note

Unknown Future

It's easy for parents to project the future of their children based on physical attributes and talents that they may possess when they were little, but it's really a silly exercise. Though we think we've uncovered the gifts that will assure our children's careers as doctors, lawyers, actresses or athletes; things don't always turn out the way we expect them to be. The prettiest little girl may grow up gawky and awkward. The scrawny little boy can become quite the looker by the time he's a teenager. Even personalities can change.

* Comprehension

1. How can parents project the children's future?
2. What is the writer talking about?

* Questions

1. Do you and your parents have the same future in mind?
2. How do you see yourself in the near future?
3. Do you think your parents can decide on your future?
4. What did your parents want you to be?
5. What was your dream when you were young?

* Vocabulary & Expressions

attribute : a quality or feature, especially one that is considered to be good or useful

silly : not sensible, showing bad judgment

gawky : moving in a nervous and awkward way, as if you cannot control your arms and legs

awkward : moving or behaving in a way that does not seem relaxed or comfortable

scrawny : thin, unattractive and looking weak

* Review

Fill in the blank with the proper words in the box.

awkward

silly

athletes

talent

attributes

1. What _____ should a good manager possess?
2. This may sound like a (an) _____ question, but what is the point of this exercise?
3. I felt a bit _____ on my first day here, but I soon settled in.
4. I wanted to be one of famous _____ in the world when I was young.
5. My younger brother showed a (an) _____ for painting at an early age.

* Answers

1. attributes

2. silly

3. awkward

4. athletes

5. talent

* Note

Heart Disease

According to the American Heart Association, seven million women succumb to heart disease each year, for approximately one death per minute, ranking it as the No. 1 health-related killer of the entire world. In fact, heart disease is responsible for claiming more lives than the next seven causes of death combined and is six times more prevalent among women than breast cancer. Yet, many people are unaware of the signs and symptoms of heart disease and fail to take the necessary steps to learn what they can do to reduce the risk factors.

* Comprehension

1. What does the American Heart Association report?
2. What is the writer worried about?

* Questions

1. How is your health?
2. Do you think you are safe from having any kind of disease?
3. How do you take care of your health?
4. Do you know anyone who suffers from heart disease?
5. What exercises can make heart strengthen?

* Vocabulary & Expressions

succumb : if you succumb to an illness you become very ill or die of it

combine : if you combine two or more different things, ideas, or qualities or if they combine, they begin to exist or work together

prevalent : common at a particular time or in a particular place

unaware : not noticing or realizing what is happening

* Review

Fill in the blank with the proper words in the box.

factor	combined	symptoms
prevalent	unaware	

1. Heart treatment is most effective if _____ with regular physiotherapy.
2. Wearing jeans is especially _____ among younger teenagers.
3. Mike seems _____ of the trouble he's causing.
4. The weather could be a crucial _____ in tomorrow's game.
5. What _____ do you have when you catch a cold?

* Answers

1. combined 2. prevalent 3. unaware 4. factor 5. symptoms

* Note

Interaction between Teachers and Students

How can teachers interact with students? One of the first things they must do is to show they care about the students as individuals. This can be done by addressing them by their preferred names - in a warm and friendly manner with a smile, a term named "continuous public relations work," giving them respect from teachers.

I think teachers have to be compact with students, but also get them on teacher's side. Simply being harsh or scolding will discourage them from learning more.

* Comprehension

1. According to the paragraph, how can we show students our concerns about them?
2. What happens when teachers scold students?

* Questions

1. Were you close with your teacher when you were in school?
2. What made you afraid of your teacher?
3. What do you think of being a teacher?
4. Have you ever encountered a cruel teacher?
5. What are differences now in school life from the past?

* Vocabulary & Expressions

interact : to act with or on one another

compact : firmly and closely packed together

harsh : criticizing, punishing or treating people in a very cruel or strict way

self-esteem : the feeling that you are someone who deserves to be liked, respected, and admired

* Review

Fill in the blank with the proper words in the box.

harsh

self-esteem

address

compact

interact

1. Jane's children _____ well with other children in the class.
2. Teachers need to help build up their students' sense of _____.
3. The bushes grew in a (an) _____ mass.
4. Brad has had to endure some _____ criticism from the press.
5. You'll have to _____ your complaints to the Head Office.

* Answers

1. interact

2. self-esteem

3. compact

4. harsh

5. address

* Note

Relationship between Korea and Japan

2002 FIFA World Cup was held under the joint auspices of Korea and Japan. This was not the first time to be correlated. We are neighbor countries with some similarities and differences. Also, we have a long history together. Although both of the countries admire the present life, there's always an invisible wall blocking the relationship. I came to comprehend that many Korean people had a bad impression about Japan for what they have done to us in the past, including the Japanese Invasion. I wondered what I could do to make it better.

* Comprehension

1. Why is there an invisible wall blocking the relationship between two countries?
2. What is the relationship between Korea and Japan?

* Questions

1. Is it true that many Koreans said that they don't like Japan?
2. How do you feel about Japan or Japanese?
3. How can you improve the relationship between Korea and Japan?
4. Explain the similarities and differences between Korea and Japan.
5. What are there issues between Korean and Japan these days?

* Vocabulary & Expressions

iauspices : with the help and support of a particular organization

comprehend : to understand something that is complicated or difficult

impression : the opinion or feeling you have about someone or something because of the way they seem

invasion : an occasion when one country's army enters another country by force, in order to take control of it

* Review

Fill in the blank with the proper words in the box.

comprehend	impression	wonder
relationship	invasion	

1. Even scientists do not _____ these results.
2. What was your first _____ of James as a new manager?
3. Uncertainties still hover above the shining exports, as international oil prices have spiked to levels seen prior to the United States' _____ of Iraq.
4. I _____ if you can come to my wedding ceremony.
5. Sometimes having a good _____ with my mother-in-law is difficult.

* Answers

1. comprehend 2. impression 3. invasion 4. wonder 5. relationship

* Note

