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**My School** 

Lam Wing Ting P.3

My school is big and wonderful. It is 47 years old now. When the school was built, it was very small, but now it is very huge.

My school has seven floors. On the ground floor there is a covered playground and two basketball courts. We have two PE lessons a week. Sometimes we play basketball and football. Sometimes we have swimming lessons. There is a garden too. We can look at the flowers and grass. We can look at the fish in the pond too. I always talk with my friends under the canopy next to the pond, it is very relaxing. There is also a snack shop on the ground floor. We can buy snacks and some drinks.

There are 24 classes. We have subjects such as Chinese, English, Maths, General studies, Visual Arts, Music, Putonghua, Computer Studies and PE. I study here very joyfully. All the teachers are very kind and hardworking. Sometimes the teachers enter us for competitions. We enjoy that very much.

Let's go and look at the hall. It is on the first floor, there is also the Principal's room, a medical room and a computer room. Do you want to read story books? Please go to the second floor, there is a Book Corner. When you need to borrow books, follow me to the fourth floor, the library is there. I always go to the library during recess. If you want to read some fantastic books, please tell me, I would introduce some good books to you. If the teachers want to see you, please go to the staff room on the third floor. You must be very quiet there. Where can I go when I want to listen to music? Oh, the Music room is on the third floor too.

School

Our school has many different activities. They are: Table Tennis Club, Basketball Team, Football Team, Ballet Group, Swimming Class, Maths Class, English Club, Chinese Chess Club, Cub Scouts and Brownies. The sport activities can make us strong and keep us healthy. We can make more friends, too.

Our school lets us try many new things. We have a lot of fun in different activities. We have many learning days such as Chinese Day, English Day and Maths and Science Day. We take part in Putonghua Drama and English Readers' Theatre. It is very memorable.

I love my school very much. We have an enjoyable school life. The teachers teach us to be polite, honest, hardworking, generous and friendly, we can live up to the teachers' expectations.





Kwok Chak Pong P.1

My name is Kwok Chak Pong. I am six years old. I go to Tai Po Old Market Public School. I'm in Class 1B. My class teacher is Miss Tsang. She is tall and thin. She has long hair. My English teacher is Miss Siu. She is tall and thin. She has big eyes and she is cute. Our monitor is Tommy Chan. He is helpful. He helps teachers to collect books. My classmates like him very much.

My best friend is Victor. He often helps me with my homework. I like him very much. I play with Victor at recess. We go to the computer room and play online games together. Sometimes, we go to the library and read e-books on the i-pad. I always give chocolates to Victor. He likes eating chocolate very much.

I like my school life. I have kind teachers and friendly classmates. I like doing homework. I like this school very much.

Class 1D

Tang Cheuk Nam P.1

My name is Tang Cheuk Nam of Class 1D. It is a class in Tai Po Old Market Public School. My class teacher is Miss Tang and my English teacher is Miss Sin. They are very kind and nice. Tseng Yu Ting and Ho Tsz Lok are our monitors. Yeung Tsz Kiu and Kwok Sheung Yu are our monitresses. My best friend is Erica Liu. She is also in Class 1D. She is a beautiful and kind girl. We always play games and eat snacks together at recess. Sometimes we go to the library to read and borrow books. I like everything in Class 1D.

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My School Days

Yip Hiu Ying P.1

My name is Yip Hiu Ying. I study in Tai Po Old Market Public School and I am in Class 1C. My class teacher is Miss Kung. She teaches us Mathematics. She is kind and funny. I like her very much.

My best friends are Simon Wan and Angel Wong. At recess, we sometimes go to the library to read books or go to the computer room to read on-line stories.

After school, I have table-tennis and Latin dancing lessons. I like my school life very much, because I can learn so much from good teachers and kind classmates.



My School

Chong Lai Kit, Keefe P.1

My name is Keefe Chong. I go to Tai Po Old Market Public School. I am in Class 1A. My English teacher is Miss Wong. She is kind to me. I like English lessons and I like Miss Wong.

Michael Mok is our monitor. He is smart and helpful. Michael is also my best friend. We play in the playground and read books in the library during recess.

I am happy at school and I like my school very much.



# A Corgi Named Marco

Lee Yan Tao P.2

I have a dog named Marco. It is a Corgi. Its fur is light brown and white. Its head is big with two long ears. It has a long body and four very short legs. It has a long white tail. It likes bones and meat best. It can eat five pounds of meat in one meal. I feel very safe when it is nearby, because

Marco barks like thunder and its sharp fangs are scary. We always play together. I throw the ball and Marco will catch the ball very fast. It is good exercise for both Marco and me. We have much fun together. Marco is not only my favourite pet but also a good friend.



### 🧈 My Favourite Pet

Leung Ho Nam P.2

My favourite pet is a hamster. Its name is Tom. It is cute and lovely. It has brown and black fur. It has small black eyes and a long brown tail.

It likes to run around the cage and play with a ball. It loves to eat seeds. It can eat a bowl of seed each time. It cannot swim because it does not like water. I play with Tom everyday when I finish my homework.

It sleeps in its cage and I put it beside my bed. I look at him and I will fall asleep quickly. Sometimes it is naughty and tears my books into pieces. Sometimes it sits beside me when I play the piano. It is my best friend.



Wong Hin Lok P.2

She is very cute and lovely. She is two years old. Her fur is long and brown. She has small black eyes. Her nose is very sensitive. She can smell very well. She is always quiet but sometimes she is noisy at night. She is tiny and weighs about two kilograms. Her favourite food is meat. She also likes bones. Who is she? It is my pet dog - Mimi.

Mimi is very friendly and funny. I feed her every day. She likes running. If you want to be healthy, it is a good way to walk the dog in the park every day. So I play with her every day in the park. She can find the way home easily. I think she is the cleverest dog of all. However, she sleeps all day. She is quite lazy.

I give her a lot of love. I think she is happy, because she likes having fun with me. She is my best friend! She is a great pet and I think she is perfect. Do you like my pet dog?



# 🧈 Marie, My Favourite Pet

Lee Yuen Lam P.2

Marie is my favourite pet. She is a lovely cat with long, soft fur. The colour of her fur is as white as snow. She wears a pink bow around her neck. She also has two big charming eyes. She has a small pink nose too.

Marie likes eating little fish best. She also likes drinking milk. It is because she is a cat. Though I am not a cat, I like eating fish too. And chocolate milk is my favourite drink because it is delicious and healthy.

At home, she is lazy. She sleeps all day. But, in the park, she runs around and jumps high. She climbs up the tree to catch the butterflies. Marie is very playful! Sometimes, I play ball games with her. Marie is my best friend.



### 🧈 A Monster



I have a pet. His name is Jacket. He has sharp teeth, a big nose and a small mouth. He likes running and sleeping. He likes bread and butter. He can catch fish. He is naughty and greedy. We are good friends.

Don't get it wrong, dear readers. It is not a real animal. It is a stuffed toy and it is a monster with a green jacket. That's why I call

him Jacket. Do you like its name?



A Healthy Monster

Choi Yan Ting P.2

This is a healthy monster. Its name is Sunny. It has three long legs, four big arms, five little eyes, two noses and two mouths.

It also has a fit and strong body. It likes doing exercises such as jogging, skipping and playing basketball on sunny days.

It likes to eat vegetables and fruit especially apples and eggplants. It doesn't like to eat meat and snacks. It seldom gets ill.

Sunny is a good monster. It is strong and healthy. I like it very much. My mum asks me to learn from it, so that I can be as healthy as Sunny!

My Favourite Animal

#### Ho Tsz Tung P.3

I like animals such as monkeys, giraffes, lions, elephants and tigers. They all look vey cute in toy shops. I don't really have a favourite animal toy. But I think I have a favourite animal and it is a cat. I do not have a cat at home. It is my dream to have a cat with big eyes, a small nose and

> a long tail. It will look pretty and will usually play with balls of knitting wool. It will like to eat fish. I will often play ball games with it. I will throw the ball and it will run after it. It will feel happy and I will be happy too!



Lee Yi Lam P.2

The name of the monster is called Booey. It has big eyes, a small pink nose, tiny ears, rainbow lips and a large mouth. It is green, huge and hairy too. It likes to eat pigs, cheetahs and butterflies.

It likes to take care of babies and old people. It is nice to people and will perform tricks to make them happy.

It is always hungry. When it sees bugs, it will catch them. When it hears music, it will dance. I like it very much.

Jumbo

Lai Hiu Yin P.3

It was my birthday two years ago and Mum asked me, 'What do you want, Timmy?' I said, 'I want a lovely puppy.' We bought a puppy in a pet shop. I named it Jumbo.

Jumbo is cute. It has big eyes, small eyes, a small nose and a small mouth. It can bark very fiercely though its mouth is tiny. Its favourite food is bones and meat. It likes playing hide-and-seek with me. It is clever and caring too! One day, I could not find my sports shoes before I went to school. I was nervous because I would be late. It went to my bed and brought them to me. Sometimes it is naughty. It loves to play with my sports shoes and sinks its teeth in it. There are little holes all over my shoes.





**Cousin Leo** 

Kwong Shun Yat P.3

My favourite person is my cousin, Leo. Though he is six years old, he still has a baby face. He has very short hair. On his red round face there are two big eyes and a big mouth. He always shouts loudly and smiles happily.



Leo lives with his mum and dad in Fanling. I visit him once a week. We like playing 'UNO' together but he always loses. I always ask him some riddles, for example 'What kind of eggs cannot be eaten?' or 'What kind of geese cannot catch a cold in the fridge?' Leo always gets the correct answers, he is very smart. He shouts, 'You can't eat stone eggs, metal eggs and plastic eggs and roast geese and marinated geese won't get sick.'

Leo likes eating steak and drinking iced lemon tea whatever restaurants he goes to. I love Leo because he is cheerful and humorous. We always have happy times together.





I'm proud to introduce to you, Sophie, my best friend.

Sophie is taller and fatter than me but my eyes are bigger and shinier than hers. She has longer arms and legs than mine and her feet are bigger than mine.

I think she's the most cheerful person among my friends for she smiles a lot. She's also the most kind-hearted girl in my class, because she doesn't cross anyone. She is more sociable than me. Everyone is her friend in the class but she is my only friend.

Sophie has lots of hobbies but she loves drawing the most. She can draw more beautifully than me. I wish I was as talented in drawing as she is.

Sophie always talks with me after lunch. We usually talk about how we spend our days and what is happening around us. We sometimes chat about our exam results and our future.

Both Sophie and I wish we could be friends forever. We promise to

help each other and have fun together. How lucky I am to have Sophie as my best friend!



My Friend - Leo

Lin Wai Ting, Brian P.4

Leo is my best friend. He is smart and he likes reading because he thinks reading can improve his knowledge about the world.

His hobbies are doing sports such as swimming, running and playing badminton. He exercises a lot and he becomes taller and taller every day.

He is patient, humorous and helpful. He always helps me with my homework He teaches me patiently and I listen to him attentively. We usually play computer games together. Sometimes, we go to the library to borrow books.

### So Years From Now

Wong Tsz Ying P.5

My name is Sonia. I was born in Hong Kong in 2001. I live in Tai Po, Hong Kong.

I am an ice-skating coach. I started ice-skating when I was five years old. I have been an ice-skating coach for twenty-five years. I was also an ice-skating representative for Hong Kong in 2025. I won many international competitions, including the gold medal at the Asian Games.

I am a famous ice-skating coach now. I like to be famous because I want more people to know about me. I am happy about it because people from other countries come to Hong Kong and have their photos taken with me. My children like ice-skating too. In their spare time, they go ice-skating with me. That is why I enjoy my life very much.



## 50 Years From Now

Chung Yuk Tung P.5

I am Chung Yuk Tung. I was born in Hong Kong in 2001. I live in Japan now.

I am a writer. I have been a writer for 40 years. In these 40 years, I have written many funny detective stories. I won the first prize in the Best Writer Competition five times. I was also the champion in the Wonderful Fantastic Writers Competition six times. I was awarded a Lifetime Achievement Award by the Hong Kong Writers Association recently, because I won many prizes in the past 40 years. I went to the USA to talk about my writing career with students of a secondary school when I was 32 years old. I was happy about it as I could share my experience with others.

I don't like being famous because I don't have much time to rest and relax. However, I am quite happy about being a famous writer, because I can have my photo taken with my fans.



#### 21st February

Today, I had a new tutor called Ms Wong, because the tutor who taught me before got married. So Mum employed a new one.

Ms Wong is a very nice tutor. She has long hair and wears glasses. She is very patient. If I do something wrong in my homework, she will explain to me why it is wrong and teach me how to do it.

I like her and hope she will teach me more.

#### 24th February

Today I was very upset because my Chinese test result was very bad. I only got 72 marks. My mum complained to Ms Wong. When she knew what happened, she talked with Mum for half an hour. I was very worried until their conversation ended.

Ms Wong told me that I have to study hard and she promised she will



teach me more patiently. Mum was not angry anymore. I was thankful to Ms Wong. She is really a kind and nice tutor.

### **Halloween Poem**

Kwok Ling Chun P.5

Hello, my friend, I'm Monster Brown! Let me give you a tour around the little town. Over there is Batty, the town's vampire bat. And, oh, there's Warina, the old witch with a black cat. Spooker's our spook, he tries to scare girls and boys, But he's friendly and he likes playing with toys. There're many more monsters in our little town, They're busy planting candy corn trees all around. We're all getting ready for Halloween night. So look for us and we'll be there for a fight! Take a flashlight and hold onto a grown-up real tight. I'm going to win. Happy Halloween!



# One Day, I Entered A Castle...

Chung Wing Lam P.5

One day, I entered a castle With my family in a vessel.

My mum and dad were the queen and king. On each finger there was a diamond ring.

I was the princess

Wearing a very long dress.

We were all very beautiful.

Treasures were plentiful.

The castle was gigantic.

The food was fantastic.

In front of our castle, there was a fountain.

Far away there was a mountain.

We lived there happily together. My dream would last forever!







### Fung Sum Yat

I want to be a fashion designer when I grow up. If I fail, I will not give up. I am tough, so I will cheer myself up. P.6

#### Yu Sum Wai

I want to be a pilot and fly the airplane in the sky. If I become a pilot, I'll fly up so high!

### Sin Hui Ching

I want to be a cook and cook a lot of fantastic food. If I cook for my mum, she'll say, "It's so good!"

### Leung Chit Yan

I want to be a game programmer and design interesting games. I can also give the characters funny names.

#### Chung Choi Ying

I want to be a writer and write a story. The story will be about my friend, Carrie.

### Yeung Pui Yi

I don't know what I want to be. All I know is to work hard and study!

# Poems

### Chan Yuk Kwan

I want to be a vet. And I'll never let the animals get wet.

### Ngai Sing Mui

I want to be a painter because I like Art. If a draw a view, where should I start?

### Lam Tak Yuen

If I am a writer, I need a pen and an eraser. I also want to be a football player, But before this, I need to run faster.

### Cheung Sze Long

I want to be an actress. If I have a show, I will wear beautiful dresses.







Mok Tsun Pak P.5

I met a new classmate - Dauglas Cheung in September. He has become my dear friend since November. He is smarter than me and is busy like a bee. We are the same age and we both hate porridge. We have the same hobby And our pet dogs both named Bobby. Our favourite toys are buses. We both want to be restaurant bosses. We chat about everything and are afraid of nothing. Hope we can still be friends till the world ends.

# Seasons

Ling Wai Fung P.5

Spring, spring, spring, Flowers bloom, wedding bells ring. Children play on the swing.

Summer, summer, summer, Everyone wants to be a swimmer. Sunshine turns amber.

Autumn, autumn, autumn, Go hiking from the hill at the bottom. Playing with lanterns is a custom.

Winter, winter, winter. Christmas comes later. We dress like a monster.







Lau Ching Hey P.3

Susan who is eight years old, is curious about everything around her. She likes exploring things.

One day, Susan and her mum were walking home after shopping at the market. On the way, she smelt the fragrance of flowers. So, she walked and walked until she saw a beautiful garden. The flowers were blooming. "Mum, let's go for a walk in the garden!" Susan said. "Sure." Mum answered.

Susan also asked Mum if she could play in the playground. Her mum agreed. She felt excited when she was playing on the swing and slide. In the meantime, her mum was talking with Aunt Suki.

Suddenly, Susan heard a loud sound and she quickly left the playground. She followed the sound to investigate what was happening. Later, she saw a big dog following her. Then she ran away quickly. She thought she would be hurt by the dog. Finally, she was able to escape. But she lost her way back to the playground.

Susan's mum didn't see her daughter. She was worried and looked around. At that moment, her phone rang. "Do you know who Susan is?" a stranger said. "Yes, she is my daughter. Where is she?" Susan's mum said. "I am a policeman. I found her on the street. She is safe," the policeman answered.

Susan cried when she saw her mum at the police station. She said sorry to Mum. That incident taught her a good lesson.





Lee Wai Lam P.5

Last summer, while I was playing 'Mario Brothers', Mum shouted. "Attention, please!" So I looked up from the screen, and it was Game Over and the end for Mario. I moaned and groaned, but when Mum said we are going to the zoo, I immediately shut up. Well, we only visit the zoo once in a blue moon!

When we got to the zoo, we saw different kinds of animals in cages. My younger brother, Peter saw some monkeys. He quickly fed the monkeys some bananas. Before the monkeys took one bite, I took the banana and threw it at Peter's face.

"What's the problem? Oh my goodness!" Mum exclamed, helping Peter wipe the smashed banana crumbs off his face.

Everyone stared at us. Then, they started pointing and laughing at Peter. Peter blushed and giggled.

At this very moment, I heard a familiar voice, saying "Oh! Are we going to feed Peter to the monkeys? He looks so delicious!"

It was Billy, the biggest bully in class! I quickly grabbed an apple from my bag, and threw it at Billy. I wasn't doing it for Peter's sake, I only did that because I thought Billy was VERY annoying. Billy ducked, and the apple hit an old lady with bad eyesight and she began throwing fruit at everybody. Then, the fruit fight was on! The

animals enjoyed their 'feast'. After that, ( everybody got told off by the zookeeper. What a spoilsport!

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Short Stories

Then, we went to see the giraffes. The zookeeper let us feed some leaves to the giraffes. The gigantic giraffe that I fed was very strong and I had to play 'Tug of War' with it. Of course, the beast won and it ate all the leaves in one gulp! The giraffe had a HUGE appetite.

Next, we went to visit the rabbits. One of the rabbits bit Peter's finger. Although the rabbit did not bite Peter very hard, he shrieked and screamed and carried on anyway. It was not until Mum said "Shut up!" that he stopped screaming.

We all had a great time at the zoo. Well...except for Peter, because he got lots of Band-aids when he got home from our visit to the zoo.

You ask why my trip is memorable. Well, that's because each time I saw Peter and his Band-aids, it always reminded me of this trip.





Lee Wai Lam P.5

'Shall we name it Fluffy?' asked Mum, pointing at the monkey. Everybody groaned. You might be wondering how a monkey got into our car and here's our story.

It was a bright sunny day. The birds were chirping and the sky was blue. 'How about we go on a picnic?' suggested Mum. 'It's such a lovely day!' We all jumped at Mum's idea and wasted not a minute to pack some snacks and headed for the country park in our car.

After a while, we got out the car and looked for a perfect spot for a picnic. We didn't notice some cheeky monkeys looking hungrily at our bags. We laid the food onto the table and started playing games. My sister and I played badminton, while Mum and Dad took pictures. Later, we found out that our food was gone. Only a tiny bread crust remained. He (or it) even took the plate! What a bummer! We turned around just in time to see a monkey running away with a sandwich! Some bread crumbs fell from the sandwich, making a bread crumb trail. Although a baby would have figured it out, we cried, 'Aha!' and were terribly pleased with ourselves. We followed the trail and found a couple of monkeys lying face down on the ground, dead. Later, we found out that they all died of food poisoning, because Mum accidently put rat poison onto the sandwiches instead of butter. What a tragic fate for the monkeys and a narrow escape for us.





Ngai Sing Mui P.6

Last Saturday, my mum and my sister were out, so I was left at home alone. I got tired of watching TV. and therefore I played with my toys.

When I was playing with the plastic soldiers, I saw my toy robot and doll started to shuffle (a kind of dance). I screamed, "Oh! My God!" Worst of all, all my toys started to sing the "Party Rock Anthem" by LMFO. "Party rock is in the house tonight, everybody just has a good time," they sang harmoniously. "Come and dance with us, Tommy!" the robot said. I was completely frozen at that monent. I didn't know want to do.

"Of course I wouldn't be that stupid just to sit still and scream for help like a coward!" I said to myself. Therefore I danced with my toys. I found that it was fun to dance.

Those ten minutes were the happiest monent in my life until suddenly someone poured a bucket of water on my face. "Stop it, Lauren! Stop pouring water on my face!" I told my sister angrily. "You woke me up from the best dream I have ever had and made me dripping

wet! You should mop the floor before Mum finds out." Then I walked to the bathroom.





Chan Wai Ki, Rita P.6

Yesterday was my birthday. I thought Mum and Dad would forget all about it, but...

I went to the park for a stroll and on the way I heard some sounds, 'Meow! Meow!' I looked everywhere but I could find nothing. So I followed the sounds and found that the sounds were coming from a box at the corner. Opening the box excitedly, I saw a lovable kitten with emerald eyes. The furry puffy animal looked at me and meowed. I have always longed to keep a cat. I picked her up and took her in my arms.

'Happy birthday to you, Cari!' I heard someone saying. I turned around and found the smiling faces of Mum and Dad. 'Sorry that we cannot celebrate your birthday tonight. We have just bought the cat from the pet shop round the corner and saw you walking back home,' whispered Dad. 'Then we managed to give you a surprise!' continued Mum. 'This cat is your birthday present!'

I could not thank my parents enough and I am sure they love me dearly. At night, with the pet by my side, although without the company of my parents, I felt I am the most fortunate girl in the world.

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Yesterday was Valentine's Day. I was walking on the street thinking what to give to my best friend, Jasmine. Suddenly, I heard a soft meowing sound. I looked everywhere but I couldn't see a cat. I followed the sound where it was coming from. I ended up at a corner and found a box. I opened the box and was amazed to find a cat inside. Its fur was white as snow. It was cute and cuddly.

'Perfect!' I exclaimed. 'This will be a perfect gift for Jasmine. She likes soft and cuddly pets.' I picked up the box and headed for her house.

When I saw her, her eyes were red and puffy. Then the cat meowed and Jasmine snatched the box from me. To my surprise, she hugged me and kissed me saying, 'Thank you! Justin. You have found my cat which my mum gave me yesterday. I couldn't find it anywhere and...' I blushed and was speechless. My head spun and I was thinking, 'Well, what gift am I supposed to give her now?'

It was the most unforgettable Valentine's Day ever!







Leung Chit Yan P.6

Yesterday, after finishing the tutorial class, Karen went back home. When she decided to take the lift, she discovered that it was out of order. She was left with no other choice but to walk upstairs.

When she was almost home, she saw a little boy limping with his mother on the staircase. They lived in flat A on the tenth floor. The little boy had a broken leg and he walked with difficulty.

Well, while you guys are thinking that Karen was going to give a helping hand and there would be a happy ending, you are totally wrong! Usually, when Karen comes across anything like this, she will offer her help, but not his time. Why not? Because she hated that boy! Last week was Karen's birthday and she invited that little boy. But he declined her invitation and said, "No one would like to go to a party which is held by an ugly old lady!" Maybe the boy was just making a joke, but it was so mean! So now you know why Karen hated that boy.

Karen walked up to the boy and said, "Oh! Poor thing! Maybe I can help you... Oops! I almost forgot, I'm ugly and old. Who would need an old woman's help? Ha... Then Karen turned her heels and walked away. The boy was very angry and he yelled at Karen, "Yeah! I can walk by myself! Who needs your help anyway?" Karen didn't talk back, she thought to herself, "Who would like to argue with a silly crazy boy?"





Chan Po Man P.6

In my dream, I was a chef in the last round of the "21st Hong Kong Cooking Competition". There were two other competitors - Chef Tung and Chef Kwok. We had to cook "Beef Steak with Mushroom Sauce" in an hour.

In the last five minutes of the competition, Chef Kwok had already finished the dish. I was working hard on my own. Suddenly, Chef Tung shouted loudly, "Oh! My hand!" Then something strange happened. Chef Tung's skin started to turn green and he started to grow one more pair of arms. Then a tail appeared at his bottom and a pair of horns on his head! Chef Yung had turned into an alien! All the people screamed and turned their heels to the exit.

"Don't be so scared, my friends!" said Chef Tung. "I won't hurt you!" Everyone stopped running and turned around looking at him suspiciously. "I'm an alien from Arcturus. My space shuttle broke down on the way to Planet Neptune. I made an emergency landing on Earth. I have learnt your language and invented a kind of medicine that could turn me into a human. However, if I touch liquid, I'll turn back into my original form."



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### A Cooking Competition

Ngai Sing Mui P.6

In my dream, I was a chef competing in the 21st Hong Kong Cooking Competition. I was in the last round with Chef Kwok and Chef Tung. We had to cook a dish called "Steak with Mushroom Sauce".

Everyone was eager to start and create the best dish to win the competition. We prepared our ingredients and started cooking immediately. I was so focused on my cooking when Chef Kwok suddenly exclaimed, "Watch out!" I turned around and saw Chef Tung burnt his hand when he was pouring his sauce on a plate. I saw a bucket of water beside him. I took it and poured it onto Chef Tung's burnt hand. But I did not know that it was warm water until Chef Tung screamed. I took the bucket and ran to the washroom to get some cold water while Chef Kwok was taking care of Chef Tung. When I went back to the room, I gave the bucket to Chef Kwok and quickly finished my mushroom sauce, because I was running out of time.

When the judges finished tasting our dishes, they announced the winner. Chef Tung's dish was too dry. Chef Kwok's dish was a little bit undercooked and cold, because he finished earlier than us. Mine was just right. Tender, juicy, yummy steak! I won the first prize. I was the youngest contestant to win this competition. I was so proud and happy. I could not believe it!

I was holding the golden cup happily when someone shook me. Then I woke up. It was the best dream ever!

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# 🧈 An Embarrassing Moment

Fung Sum Yat P.6

'After the birthday party, you must be very tired. Go to bed, my dear!' Mum suggested. I was really tired and I immediately fell asleep.

Suddenly, there was a ray of light, I saw a familiar person. It was Doraemon! I could not believe my eyes. He approached me and brought me to a magical land called 'Dreamland'. But I was too tall to enter the entrance. Doraemon showered me with some magic water and I became shorter. The water tasted sugary and smelt like honey and I drank some of it.

Maybe, I drank too much magic water and had to go to the toilet often! But there were no toilets in Dreamland. Doraemon gave me a big box. 'Kacoomary!' Doraemon said and the box changed into a tiny toilet.

Wait! Why were my pants sticky and warm? 'OH! NO! You are nine years old now, and you still wet the bed!' I saw Mum shouting at me with a stunned face. Then I looked at my wet pants 'Yuck!' I yelled in shame. It was the most embarrassing moment in my life and I'll always remember not to drink too much water before going to bed.



Treasure Island

Wan Hiu Nam P.3

The Commercial Press (HK) Limited is a bookshop, but for me, it is a treasure island.

The bookshop is in Tai Wo Plaza, Tai Po and it is huge and cozy. It sells different kinds of books, stationery and gifts. The shop is very userfriendly. It is very convenient to get a book and take a look before you buy it.

My favourite book is detective fiction. I like to think about the end of the story on my own. It is interesting to me and I am like a detective when I am reading.

In the bookshop, we can find different kinds of books, for example, story books, comic books, magazines, history books, science books, cooking books, exercise books, riddles and many others. Besides, we can also buy some very modern automatic pencils and multi-colour ball pens. They are special and beautiful.

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I always ask my dad to take me there on weekends. Every time I go, I buy something lovely that I want.





Lau Lok Yin P.4

Last summer vacation, I traveled to Japan with my family for pleasure. In Japan, we enjoyed the beautiful scenery and great delicacies. It was an unforgettable trip.

We spent six days in Japan. Amongst all the sightseeing spots, the most remarkable one was the beautiful view of Mount Fuji. Mount Fuji is one of the highest mountains in Japan. Its naturally splendid appearance is admired by all visitors. Besides all the sightseeing, we also tried a number of native delicacies, especially the famous sushi.

I was very happy on this summer trip. The trip to Japan has broadened my horizons and helped me to relax before the new school term started.

#### Cheung Sum In P.5

My most memorable trip was going to Shanghai for the first time with my family. It was my first time travelling on a plane too. I was so excited when I looked out of the window. It seemed that I was flying among the clouds.

On the second day of our trip, we went to the zoo. There were many animals ranging from pandas to giraffes. I had never seen any big animals before. I fed an elephant and I also touched its body.

I really enjoyed the whole trip as I could see many new things. Today, I still remember this unforgettable trip and I still feel very happy. I hope that I can go to Shanghai again.

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Among all the holidays, I like Chinese New Year the most.

Last year, I had a wonderful Chinese New Year holiday in spring. The atmosphere was especially warm and cheerful during the holiday. I went to relatives' homes with my parents. I greeted my senior relatives with some Chinese greetings. They gave me many red packets. After that, we ate some food such as turnip cakes, New Year cakes and many more. They were most delicious.

The most special thing was that my parents took me to Ocean Park. It was my first visit to Ocean Park. We played many kinds of games and saw the dolphin show. They were so interesting.

I felt very happy and enjoyed the holiday. I hope the next Chinese New Year will come promptly.




Taipei, I Love You

Lee Cheuk Wing P.4

Aunt Judy and I went to Taipei last Lunar New Year. We spent four days doing sight-seeing. We also visited some tourist attractions on this trip.

We visited the National Palace Museum, the Shilin Night Market, the Danshui Old Street, the Taipei 101 Tower and Ximending. I liked the National Palace Museum best. There were many priceless ancient Chinese artifacts and artworks. My aunt and I bought some souvenirs for my friends. At the Shilin Night Market, we ate different kinds of food such as deepfried chicken and pan-fried stuffed dumplings. I liked the oyster omelet most.

In the Danshui Old Street, we walked along the riverbank and tried lots of Taiwanese snacks on our way. We tried, plum juice, fish ball soup, oily bean curd (Ah Gei), iron eggs, and fried fish crackers. The Taipei 101 Tower is very huge. It is named for its 101 storeys. We spent most of the time shopping in the mall. Ximending has different kinds of shops like, department stores, CD shops, hair salons, movie theatres and Karaoke parlours. We ate, "Ya Rou Bian", the tasty duck meat and "Ay-Chung Flour-Rice Noodles"

I cannot forget my first hot-spring bath I had on this trip. It was so relaxing when I soaked in the hot water. Taipei is a wonderful city and the

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people are kind. I enjoyed this trip very much! Taipei, I love you!



Chinese New Year is the most important of the traditional Chinese holidays. It is known as the Spring Festival. The festival begins on the first day of the first month of the lunar calendar, and ends on the fifteenth day.

Before the New Year celebration, Chinese families give their homes a good cleaning. Some people decorate their homes with red paper cutouts and couplets with lucky wishes.

Last Chinese New Year I had so much fun. On the first day, I wore my new clothes and put on my new shoes. Then I went to Grandma's house with my parents. There were many relatives. I received red packets from the elders. I ate many sweets from a red candy box. We talked together and watched the lion-dance show on TV. Later, I played 'Wii' with my cousins.

I watched a fireworks show on TV. I ate so much food such as turnip cakes, rice cakes and dumplings.

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I like this festival, because I can eat many sweets and get red packets.

I think Chinese New Year is a very important festival for us, because we can celebrate it with our relatives.



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My favourite place in Hong Kong is Victoria Peak. It is the most famous tourist attraction in Hong Kong. Almost every tourist who comes to Hong Kong will go to the Peak to look at the beautiful view of Victoria Harbour.

When you are at the Peak, you will see a bird's eye view of the busy city. If this is your first time to visit the Peak, you should go by the Peak Tram. It is a 7-minute ride. It offers you a unique view of Hong Kong. It climbs at an angle of about 27 degrees. On a clear day, you will see all the way across Victoria Harbour and Central, you will even see the Kowloon Peninsula.

At the Peak, the Peak Tower is one of the most architectural places in Hong Kong. There are a couple of restaurants, shops and entertainment sites.

The Sky Terrace 428 is another attraction spot. It provides you with a spectacular 360-degree view of Hong Kong. Whether you visit the Peak in the morning, afternoon, or even at night, the Sky Terrace 428 is a beautiful spot that you should not miss. The Peak Circular Walk offers you a 45-minute walk with fabulous views of the harbour, South China Sea and outlying islands of Hong Kong.

The Peak is a must for every tourist who visits Hong Kong. If they visit this spot, they will understand why Hong Kong is known as 'The Pearl of the Orient'. I highly recommend this attraction to all visitors and local people.

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## 🥪 Christmas In South Korea

Tse Pak E P.5

I went to South Korea with my family, my relatives and my friends last Christmas. We went by airplane. We haven't been there before, so we thought it would be very interesting. I was like a newborn baby seeing the world for the first time, everything was unknown to me.

It was our first time seeing snow, trying the local Korean cuisine and eating some Korean specialties. It was our first time to ski on the snowy mountain. It was the most memorable moment for me.

We all had much fun together and I will never forget this enjoyable trip.

## Section 20 Caring For Others

Kong Tin Lok P.6

Everyone knows Chinese New Year is a very important festival. But we must not forget those who are in need, especially the orphans. They are lonely as they are parentless.

We can help them in many ways. We can take them to the flower Market to buy some good luck flowers. We can talk to them and share our stories with them. Doing this we can find out what they really need. We can send them old toys and books. It is both meaningful and environmentally friendly. We can share some festival food with them such as red melon seeds or sweetened lotus seeds. We can also do some performances such as a dances or songs. I think they will be very excited.

If you give out kindness, you will get kindness back. We should help the people who are in need.



Tu Yan Chun P.6

When we are celebrating Chinese New year, have you ever thought of the old people, orphans or the sick children in hospitals? They need our help!

First, I suggest giving some red packets to the old people in old people's homes because they are poor. If you do not have enough money to give to them, you can sing a song or just say "Kung Hei Fat Choi" to them. They will welcome your visit.

Then, we can eat rice cakes with the orphans in children's homes. Orphans do not have parents to celebrate the festival with them. If you play games with them and tell them stories, they won't be bored.

After that, we can visit the sick children in hospital. They are bored because they need to stay in bed. They can't run around and have fun. Some of them can't even eat oily and yummy food because they are very sick. We can sing songs or perform a drama for them.

Finally, I hope you will care for the people who are in need after reading my article. It is better to give than to receive.





## Caring About Others At Big Festivals

Sin Hui Ching, Rachel P.6

When we are celebrating the big festivals with our families and friends, we should not forget others who need help.

What will you do during Christmas? If I were you, I would go to the old peoples' homes to visit them. We can perform some Christmas magic shows to them so that they will be excited and joyful. They will not be depressed and forget their loneliness.

Children's homes are designed for orphans. Orphans are parentless and they feel terribly lonely especially before Lunar New Year. We can cheer them up by sending them old toys and donate money to them in red packets. By giving away our old toys, it is environmentally friendly and we can make this world a better place to live in. You can also see their smiling faces too.

Besides, tying riddles to lanterns and playing with lanterns at Midautumn festival, we can visit the sick children in hospitals. The food in hospitals is tasteless. We can send the kids some tasty mooncakes or starfruit. What joy will they have when they take a yummy bite!

Caring for others is not just a feeling in our heart but a blessing to others. If you give out kindness, you will get kindness back. The joy for helping others is invaluable. Stop being mean and be generous and help those in need. It is our responsibility to care for others.

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**Chinese New Year** 

Mo Hiu Ki P.6

Chinese New Year is my most favourite festival. Before Chinese New Year, we buy new clothes and flowers. I help mum with the housework. We have a great reunion dinner on New Year Eve.

The celebration lasts fifteen days. There are firework displays, dragon and lion dances, family and friends meeting, lantern festivals, and of course lots of great food! We can enjoy food such as rice cakes, turnip cakes and melon seeds. You can see happy faces and big celebrations everywhere.

On the first day, I usually visit my relatives and get many red packets. It is fun. We watch lion dances on the street. In the evening of the second day, we watch a fireworks display at Victoria Harbour.

I like "red packets" - small red envelopes with some money inside. After collecting all my red packets, I can buy something I like. I usually use the money to buy some new stationery for school, buy some snacks and to share with my cousins.

I am very rich and happy at Chinese New Year!





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The Easter Eggs' Secret





Rita and Isabella were twins. Both of them were born in London. Their parents died in a car accident when they were two years old. They lived in London after their parents died.

Easter was coming and two stupid cats that were thieves, Rita and Isabella were poor but they wanted to have an Easter party. They planned to steal Easter eggs from the bakery.



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In the same city, there was a clever detective called Michael. He solved many mystery cases in the past.

Isabella said, 'Let's steal some Easter eggs in the afternoon for the Easter Party.' 'Good idea!' Rita said. Then they dressed up as thieves. 'Let's go!' they said together excitedly! They arrived at a bakery called 'Joey's Bakery'.

Isabella walked into the shoe shop next

to the bakery. She immediately made a fire in the shoe shop. Then, she ran out of the shop and shouted, 'Fire! Fire! There is a fire!' So the customers and the shop keepers ran away quickly. Joey also ran away.

When all the customers and Joey were gone, Rita went to the bakery quietly. She immediately stole some delicious Easter Eggs and went away quickly. When the shopkeeper came back to the bakery and found that the Easter Eggs had disappeared, Rita had already gone far away. The shopkeeper was very worried so she called the clever detective dog, Michael.



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Michael arrived at the bakery. He wanted to find some evidence for the robbery so he looked around the bakery. 'Look! I've found an invitation card!' said Michael. He picked it up and read it. He found that the thieves wanted to have an Easter party at their home.

Michael liked to eat chocolate eggs so he went to the party. Rita and Isabella's neighbour, Skyler, was a policewoman. She was also at the party. She knew that they were poor. It was impossible for them to buy so many chocolate eggs and she told Michael about it. Michael was very curious.





He asked them, 'I know that you are poor. Why do you have so many Easter eggs?' They were very frightened but they were honest. They told Michael the truth finally.

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Michael caught them and escorted them to the police station. Skyler was very kind. She knew that they were orphans and that they were poor so she gave them a chance. She helped them to give back the money to the shopkeeper. However, as punishment, they had to work at the bakery for one month. 'Thank you, Skyler!' said Isabella and Rita.

When they grew up, they were Michael's students and became very famous detectives. They became the most popular detectives in the world. They helped many people. Everybody wanted to be Isabella and Rita's student. They opened a detective school and earned a lot of money which they donated to charity. They helped many children and even built an orphanage.





It was Easter again. Rita and Isabella held an Easter party at the orphanage. They also invited Skyler, Joey and Michael to join the party. This time, they had many Easter eggs and they paid for it from their own pocket. The Easter eggs were made by Joey. They enjoyed the Easter party happily together.





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In 3650, there was a space school called the Mystery Space School. The smartest students in this school were a bear named Tom and a dog named Cathy.

One night, Mike, an enormous dreadful dragon, came to the school and stole the jewels from the school. The headmaster discovered the jewels on the campus when the school was built many years ago. When you looked at the jewels you would have some good memories. The dragon stole all the jewels and left in a spaceship. 'Hahaha!' it said, 'These jewels are priceless! I can get a lot of money!'



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The next day, when the owl, a teacher, found that the jewels were stolen, she was really worried. She said, 'What is going on? Why are all the jewels missing?' She saw on CCTV last night that the jewels were stolen by a dragon. She called Cathy and Tom immediately. She told them to find the dragon and get back the jewels. 'O.K! No problem! We'll find the jewels,' they promised.

The dragon's spaceship's fuel tank was empty. The dragon said, 'Oh my goodness! I must refill the tank!' The dragon had to find a planet to get some fuel. He went back to the planet where the school was and refilled the tank quickly. He ran away quickly and hoped nobody saw him.

Cathy and Tom didn't know that the dragon had been back. They got into the spaceship and tried to find the dragon. However, they couldn't find it and they didn't know what to do. Tom took out his i-Pad and found the dragon. He was really surprised because the dragon was still there. They went back to the school quickly.

When they arrived back at the school, they saw the dragon was getting into his spaceship. They chased after the dragon. They really wanted



to catch it and find out why it stole the jewels. The dragon was very worried, 'How did they find me?' it thought. It fought with Tom and Cathy. The dragon spat fire but Tom and Cathy hid behind the walls, so the fire couldn't hurt them. The dragon was so tired so it went back to the spaceship again. There was only enough fuel for 15 minutes, Tom and Cathy also managed to get into a spaceship and started a chase.

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The dragon flew into an asteroid zone and fired a missile, but it missed. Tom and Cathy kept pursuing. However, a missile hit the spaceship and it crashed into an asteroid. The damage made the spaceship move slower and it was hit by rocks. Then they turned on the protective shield and the rocks bounced off the shield. After that, they turned the engine to full speed. They ejected a web and it wrapped itself around the

dragon's spaceship. Finally, the dragon's spaceship was dragged back to the school.

The principal questioned the dragon, 'Why did you steal the jewels. Give them back to us immediately!' 'No way! They are priceless. I'll never give them back to you,' shouted the dragon. 'Fine, lock him in the cage.' commanded the principal. 'Hahaha, you'll never find the jewels! Hahaha,' laughed the dragon. 'We'll search for the jewels everywhere!' said the principal.

In the asteroid belt, Tom and Cathy were searching for the jewels. They wondered where the jewels were. Where could the dragon have hidden them?

After hours and hours of searching, they lost all hope of finding the jewels. They gave up and decided to fly away to another planet.



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Suddenly they saw something shining. It was so bright that they couldn't open their eyes. Tom and Cathy knew that something shining so bright wouldn't be something ordinary. They landed on a rock and finally found the jewels!

But when did the dragon hide them? They figured it out finally. When they were chasing the dragon in the asteroid belt, the dragon fired the missile to a rock and maybe the jewels were

hidden in the missile. When the missile hit the rock, the jewels were scattered around on the rock.

Tom and Cathy took the jewels to the school and gave them to the principal .The principal was very happy. He said, 'I knew you would find it. You both are great students of our school.'





The principal told the dragon that Tom and Cathy had found the jewels. He said, 'You can never get your hands on them again.' 'No! No way. How did they find it? No!' moaned the dragon desperately. The principal kept the jewels in the school very securely and nobody could steal them again.





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Last July, Something spooky happened to the three little pigs, Carrie, Bully and Fred.

Can you remember what happened last July?' asked Carrie one day. 'Oh! Of course! How can you forget? But it was not very scary after all,' replied Bully and Fred.

For the past few years, the three little pigs lived very happily in their brick house. One day in mid-July, Fred discovered that there was a camp called 'Come Spooky'. The entrance fee was \$100 for three animals. 'Let me tell Bully and Carrie about it!' cried Fred. When he arrived home, Fred told Bully and Carrie about the camp and they agreed to go together. They quickly submitted the application form and paid the fee.



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The next day, they set off for the 'Come Spooky Camp'. When they arrived at the camp, they found that the camp was shadowy and there were no bright lights. 'Coooool! What a 'nice' place!' cried Carrie.

Then, the tour guide showed up. 'Hi! Good afternoon, everybody! You will have a nice stay here.' the guide said cheerfully. 'Hope you enjoy it! Let me show you the rooms.' The

guide took them to a room and closed the door behind him. It was very dark inside the room.

'Oh, where's the light switch? It's so scary,' they all cried. 'I want to go home. I miss my mum,' Carrie said. 'I don't want to take a bath. The bathroom is too dark.'





That night, they could not fall asleep as they were too scared. Suddenly, they saw a flash of light coming from the door. 'Is it a thief? I am so scared!' Carrie cried. They hid under the quilt on the bed. I am panicking now! What should we do to protect our things in the room?'

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Bully looked from behind the door and said, 'The thief has gone! We can come out from under the quilt.' Carrie found that all her things were still in the room and nothing was stolen. 'Hey! Guys, come on! Nothing was stolen from our room,' cried Carrie. I thought that it was strange. Let's find out what has really happened in our room.' They felt like real detectives in a James Bond movie. 'It's cool!' said Bully. 'Yeah!'

said Fred and Carrie and they started their investigation like real detectives.

They searched for the 'thief'. Unfortunately, Fred stepped accidentally on a white line. Suddenly, the light went on. 'Hooray! The light is on. We can continue our work!' said Fred. 'I think it's a prank. Something might drop from the ceiling. Let's run to the door.'





Fred had guessed right. Tomato sauce came from the ceiling and covered the three little pigs and their clothes. Fred shouted, 'Oh no! My mum will be very angry. Who plays pranks on us?' asked Fred angrily.

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'It's me!' the tour guide shouted when he opened the door. 'Remember? This camp's name is 'Come Spooky, he said. The rule of our camp is that we should play pranks on our guests. Go and have a bath, guys! You are so dirty!' They all rushed to the bathroom.

'What is prank?' Bully asked Carrie and Carrie answered, 'Remember Ms Lee taught us in the English lesson the meaning of the word prank? It means to play a trick on someone.'

This camp was the most exciting camp they had ever joined. They were very joyful but not scared.





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