

Tapescript

Narrator: **Part 1**

***Tom is at the Reading Club. His teacher, Ms Wong, is telling a story about two girls.***

You now have one minute to read this part. *(one-minute music)*

Now, listen to the first part of the story and answer Questions 1 – 4. The story will be played **once** only. The story will begin now.

Ms Wong: ①[Mary and Susan were good friends. **They studied in the same class.** After school they liked to play basketball in a park nearby. It was a good way to exercise after sitting in class all day.

One day they went to the park to play basketball as usual. They knew they had a Chinese History test the next day. So they planned to go home to study for the test after **playing for only an hour instead of two.**

When Mary got home, she could not find her Chinese History notes. She was sure she had put them into her school bag when she left school with Susan. The only time **Mary remembered opening her bag was at the basketball court** when she took her running shoes out. She could not understand why the notes were not in her bag.

Suddenly a thought came to Mary. **Maybe Susan had taken the notes so she would do better than her in the test!** Mary remembered borrowing Susan's notes last month to study, but her notes were not very good. They were too short and incomplete.]①

Narrator: Now, answer Questions 1 to 4. When you hear a beep (*beep*), answer the question.

Question 1

Which one of the following was true about Mary and Susan?

*(beep) (8-second pause)*

Question 2

What did Mary and Susan do as they had a Chinese History test the next day? *(beep) (8-second pause)*

Question 3

Where did Mary think she had last seen her notes?

*(beep) (8-second pause)*

Question 4

Why did Mary think Susan might have taken her notes?

*(beep) (8-second pause)*

Now, listen to the second part of the story and answer Questions 5 – 10. The story will begin now.

Ms Wong: ②[The next day was the test. Feeling sad, **Mary went directly** to the classroom. Susan was already there. Susan noticed that Mary looked upset and asked her if anything was wrong. Mary did not want to mention the notes. She told Susan that nothing was wrong. She was only tired from studying late the night before. Quickly Mary walked away and did not say another word to Susan.

Immediately after the test, Mary left the classroom. She went straight to her locker to get some books. When she opened her locker, there under some English books, **she saw her Chinese History notes**. “Oh, dear!” she said, **“What an idiot I am.” (shocked)** Mary had made a big mistake. In her mind she was sure her best friend, Susan, had stolen her notes. Now she knew she had forgotten to put them in her bag the day before.

Immediately Mary ran back to the classroom. She wanted to talk to Susan. She realized Susan was a true friend after all.

Luckily Susan was still in the classroom. Mary ran to her and smiled. She told Susan she was happy they were friends. Although Susan did not understand, she smiled back at Mary. **They agreed to play basketball that evening after school.**

Mary felt better. She said to herself, “I will never think that my friend has done something bad to me. I was too quick to think that Susan did something wrong.” She also told herself to remember that Susan was really a good friend.]②

Narrator: Now, answer Questions 5 to 10.

Question 5

How did Mary feel about Susan before the test?

*(beep) (8-second pause)*

Question 6

How did Mary feel when she opened her locker?

*(beep) (8-second pause)*

Question 7

How did Mary know she had made a big mistake?

*(beep) (8-second pause)*

Question 8

What do you think Mary said to Susan after she knew she had made a mistake? *(beep) (8-second pause)*

Question 9

What could you learn from this story? *(beep)(8-second pause)*

Question 10

Arrange the following events into the correct order. Write the number (2 – 5) in the correct box. Number 1 has been done for you already.

*(beep) (15-second pause)*

This is the end of Part 1. *(5 second-pause)*