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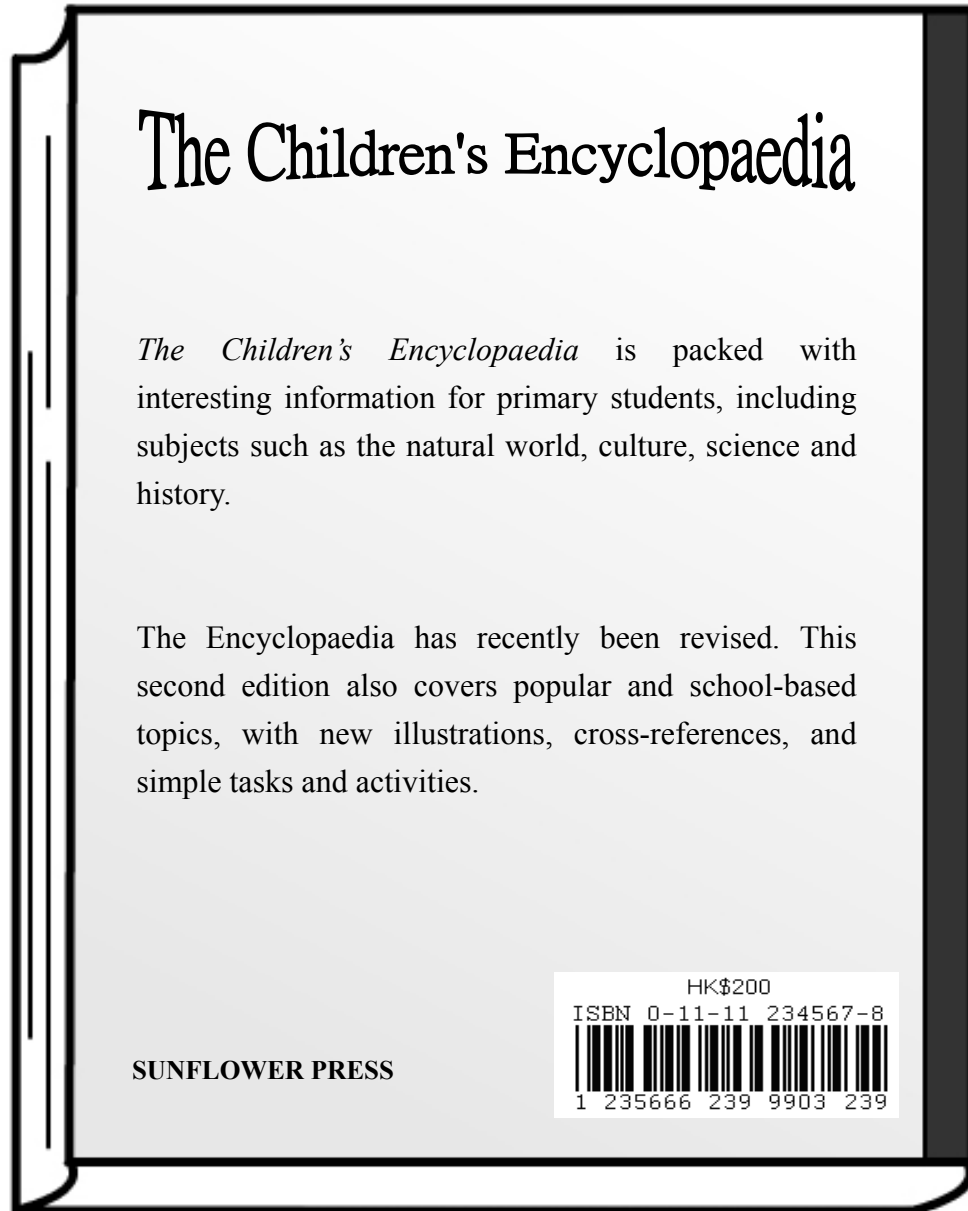
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Part 1A

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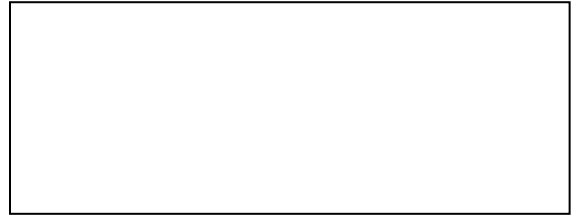
Read the back cover.



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1. This encyclopaedia is designed for people who are _____.
☐ A. 2 – 5 years old
☐ B. 6 – 12 years old
☐ C. 13 – 18 years old
☐ D. 19 – 30 years old
2. Which of the following is **NOT** true about this encyclopaedia?
☐ A. It provides readers with a lot of information.
☐ B. It contains pictures and explanations.
☐ C. It has never been printed before.
☐ D. It costs HK\$200.
3. The back cover of the book tells readers _____.
☐ A. who the writer is
☐ B. how to use the book
☐ C. where to buy the book
☐ D. what the book is about

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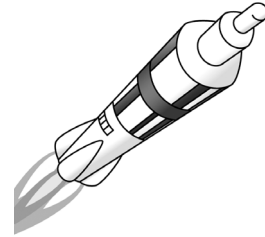
Susan is reading some information in a book.

Read the information.

On the Move

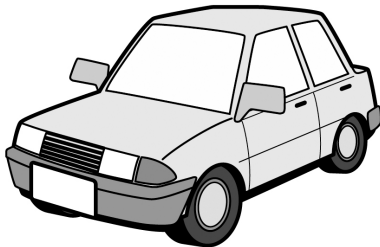
Rockets

Rockets are special engines used to lift spacecraft into space. They are extremely powerful and need a lot of fuel. They are also very expensive to make and use.



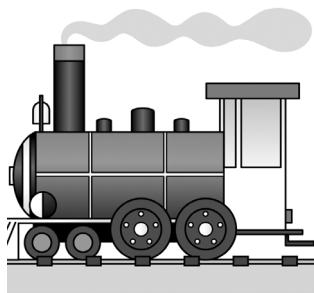
Cars

Motor cars have been around for over one hundred years. The first cars had only three wheels and no roofs. They did not go very fast. Modern cars are spacious, comfortable and can reach high speeds. They also have safety features like airbags and seatbelts.



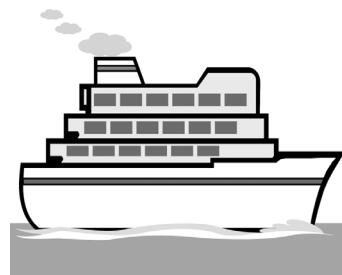
Steam trains

Steam trains, first built around two hundred years ago, had powerful engines and could reach high speeds. They were used to transport goods and passengers over long distances.



Ships

Early ships used sails. Today's modern ships have diesel engines and are often very large. They transport cargo around the world. Vessels that travel underwater are called submarines. Others, like hovercraft, use a cushion of air which allows them to move across the surface of the water.



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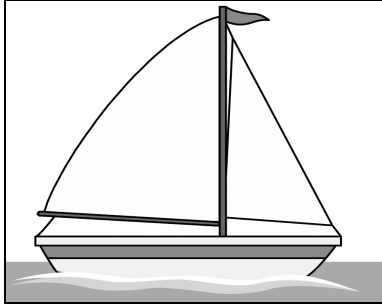
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1. Susan is reading a book about _____.
☐ A. transport
☐ B. clothes
☐ C. food
☐ D. housing
2. Which of the following is true about rockets?
☐ A. They do not go very fast.
☐ B. They are inexpensive.
☐ C. They travel into space.
☐ D. They save energy.
3. Which of the following is true about modern cars?
☐ A. They are small.
☐ B. They cannot go fast.
☐ C. They have three wheels.
☐ D. They have safety features.
4. Which of the following is **NOT** true about steam trains?
☐ A. They were fast.
☐ B. They had powerful engines.
☐ C. They only travelled over short distances.
☐ D. They were first built about 200 years ago.

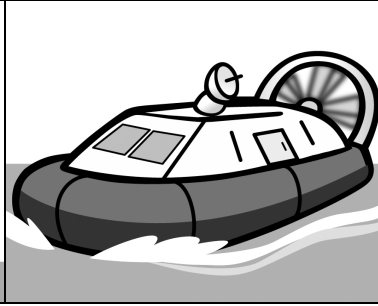
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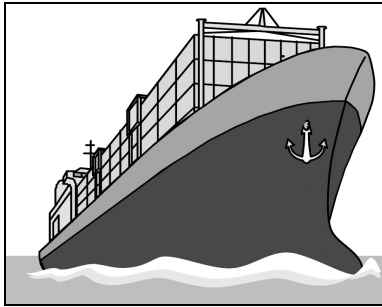
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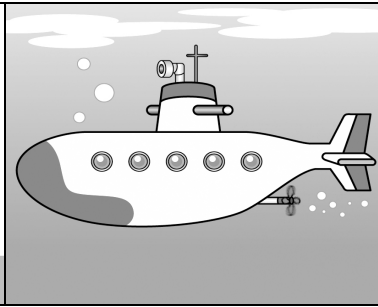
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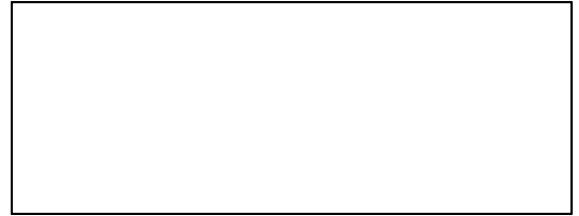


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Part 2

Peter and Susan wrote for the school magazine.

Read their writing.

My School Days

It is time to say goodbye to the school. In September, I will enter Secondary One at a new school. 1

When I entered Primary One, I was not happy. The schoolwork was too difficult and there was too much homework. Also, I was not good at sports. Luckily, the teachers were very kind. They saw that I was unhappy. They talked to me and helped me a lot. Some teachers even helped me after school. 5

Now I really love my school. I will miss my classmates, my teachers and the school next year.

Peter Chan (Class 6B) 10

I feel sad to say goodbye to the school. I love my school so much.

Since my first day in Primary One, I have had a wonderful time. Every classmate is very friendly. Every teacher helps me when I do not understand something. Once, I forgot to bring money for lunch. A teacher kindly lent me enough money to buy my lunch, so I did not go hungry. 15

I really hope my new school can make me as happy as this school.

Susan Wong (Class 6A) 20

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1. Why was Peter unhappy when he was in Primary One?
☐ A. He often forgot to bring his homework.
☐ B. He did not have time to play sports.
☐ C. He found the schoolwork very hard.
☐ D. He moved to a new home.
2. Read lines 3 – 7. Which of the following is true about Peter?
☐ A. He was good at sports.
☐ B. He did not have homework.
☐ C. He could study computers.
☐ D. His teachers helped him.
3. How does Susan feel?
☐ A. She is bored of school.
☐ B. She is scared of her teachers.
☐ C. She enjoys her time at school.
☐ D. She is happy to leave the school.
4. Both Peter and Susan think that _____.
☐ A. their teachers are helpful
☐ B. their new schools will be better
☐ C. their school is big and beautiful
☐ D. their schoolwork is difficult

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5. Why did Peter and Susan write for the school magazine?

- ☐ A. They entered the school together.
- ☐ B. They are leaving school soon.
- ☐ C. They like writing very much.
- ☐ D. They are in different classes.

6. When did Peter and Susan write for the school magazine?

- ☐ A. March
- ☐ B. June
- ☐ C. September
- ☐ D. December

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Part 3

Peter's teacher, Ms Wong, is reading a poem to her class.

Read the poem.

I dream of being a firefighter someday	1
Saving families from the flames	
What a good job that will be	
Fighting fires every day	
Many people will thank me	5
For carrying them away from danger	
Mothers and children, sons and uncles	
Will always want to meet me	
In a fire, they will need me	
Happy to help with hands and hose	10
Climbing ladders to the windows	
There I will be, to the rescue	

Choose the best answer by blackening the circle.

1. 'Saving families from the flames' (line 2) is an example of alliteration. Which of the following is another example of alliteration?
☐ A. 'I dream of being a firefighter someday' (line 1)
☐ B. 'For carrying them away from danger' (line 6)
☐ C. 'Mothers and children, sons and uncles' (line 7)
☐ D. 'Happy to help with hands and hose' (line 10)

2. Why does the writer think being a firefighter will be a good job?

- ☐ A. The writer can meet many people.
- ☐ B. The writer can help people.
- ☐ C. It is fun.
- ☐ D. It is easy.

3. In the poem, many people will thank the writer because _____.

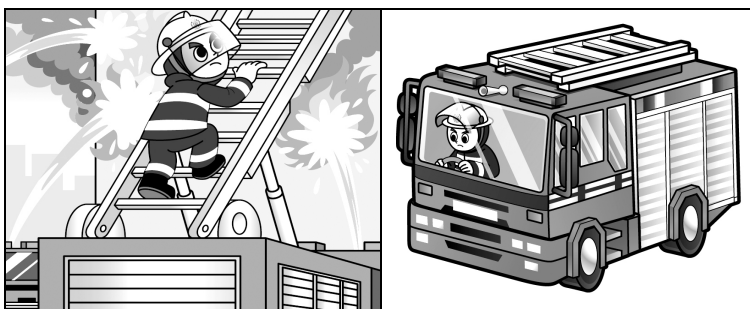
- ☐ A. the writer climbs a ladder to the window
- ☐ B. the writer saves people from fire
- ☐ C. the writer carries heavy goods
- ☐ D. the writer has a dream

4. Which of the following best describes line 10?



☐ A.

☐ B.



☐ C.

☐ D.

5. Which of the following is an example of 'rescue' (line 12)?
- ☐ A. A man went to a cinema to see a film.
 - ☐ B. A man carried heavy shopping bags home.
 - ☐ C. A man climbed a ladder to clean the ceiling.
 - ☐ D. A man climbed a tree to bring a frightened cat down.
6. What is the best title for this poem?
- ☐ A. My Favourite Sport
 - ☐ B. My Favourite Teacher
 - ☐ C. What I Want to Be
 - ☐ D. What I Did Last Summer
7. In line 1, what does the word 'dream' mean?

dream *n*

- 1. A perfect or wonderful person or thing
'This forest is a dream.'
- 2. A series of pictures and feelings that happen in the mind during sleep
'I had a dream about my grandmother last night.'

dream *v* (*pt, pp dreamed or dreamt*)

- 3. To experience something in your mind while you are sleeping
'I dreamed a strange scene.'
- 4. To think about something that you want to happen
'Peter dreams of one day becoming a spaceman.'

- ☐ A. 1
- ☐ B. 2
- ☐ C. 3
- ☐ D. 4

Part 4

Susan's teacher, Ms Wong, is reading a story to her class.

Read the **first part** of the story. Answer Questions 1 – 6.

In a village far away, two brothers lived with their parents. The brothers
were twins, named Bill and Ben. 1

The boys were unhappy. People always mixed them up because they
looked so much alike. Bill did not like to be called Ben. Ben did not like to be
called Bill. 5

One day, they went for a walk up the mountain near their village. They
stopped to rest under a very large tree. They did not know that the tree was a
magic tree.

Suddenly, they heard a voice coming from the tree. It said, "I know you
are unhappy." Bill and Ben were as frightened as rabbits. They could not run
away. 10

The voice said, "You do not like to look alike. I will change you!"

They saw a flash of lightning and heard a loud noise. "Boom! Boom!"

Bill looked at Ben. Ben had a face like a large green frog! Ben looked at
Bill. Bill had hair all over his face, like a monkey! 15

The two boys jumped up and ran down the mountain to their village.
Luckily, the first people they met were their parents.

"Look! Look!" the boys shouted.

"Look at what the magic tree did to us!" Bill said. "We looked alike
before and we didn't like it. But now we look terrible. Help us!" 20

Choose the best answer by blackening the circle.

1. Read lines 1 – 5. Which of the following is **NOT** true about Bill and Ben?
 - ☐ A. They hated each other.
 - ☐ B. They were unhappy.
 - ☐ C. They looked alike.
 - ☐ D. They were twins.
2. Read lines 3 – 5. Why did people always mix up the boys' names?
 - ☐ A. People forgot the boys' names.
 - ☐ B. People did not know the boys.
 - ☐ C. Bill and Ben were brothers.
 - ☐ D. The boys looked almost the same.
3. Read line 10: Bill and Ben were as frightened as rabbits. What does 'as frightened as rabbits' mean?
 - ☐ A. They saw some rabbits.
 - ☐ B. They became rabbits.
 - ☐ C. They were unhappy.
 - ☐ D. They were scared.
4. When Bill and Ben heard the voice from the tree, they _____.
 - ☐ A. could not leave
 - ☐ B. saw a green frog
 - ☐ C. fell asleep at once
 - ☐ D. talked to a monkey

5. Read line 13. 'Boom' is the sound of _____.

- ☐ A. rain
- ☐ B. thunder
- ☐ C. trees
- ☐ D. wind

6. What did the magic tree do to Bill and Ben?

The magic tree made Bill and Ben look _____.

- ☐ A. the same
- ☐ B. like animals
- ☐ C. more beautiful
- ☐ D. happier than before

Read the **second part** of the story. Answer Questions 7 – 10.

The boys' parents quickly took them to the oldest woman in the village. 1
They knew she also had magical power. The twins told her what happened. They
said, "We were unhappy before but we are more unhappy now. Please help us."

The old woman took some water from a small river behind her house. She
splashed the water onto the boys' heads and put a spell on them at the same time. 5

Suddenly, Ben's frog face went away and so did the hair on Bill's face. The
twins looked alike again.

"Oh, thank you!" said the boys.

The old woman said, "Boys, you should never complain about how you
look." 10

Ben said, "Yes, I agree."

"Now we are happy to look alike again," said Bill.

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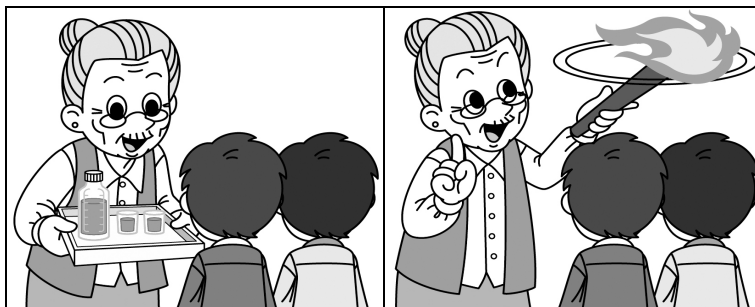
7. The boys' parents took them to the woman because _____.

- ☐ A. she was the oldest
- ☐ B. she lived near them
- ☐ C. she could help them
- ☐ D. she could kill the magic tree

8. What did the woman do to the boys?



- ☐ A.
- ☐ B.



- ☐ C.
- ☐ D.

9. At the end of the story, the woman told the boys _____.

- ☐ A. not to feel unhappy with her
- ☐ B. not to fight against each other
- ☐ C. to feel good about how they looked
- ☐ D. to say thanks to her

10. In line 5, what does the word ‘spell’ mean?

spell n

1. A period of time during which something lasts
‘We had a long spell of warm weather last year.’
2. Spoken words which people believe have magical power
‘He spoke a spell over her when he moved his hands.’

spell v (pt, pp spelled or spelt)

3. To say or write the letters of a word in the correct order
‘You spell her name M-A-R-Y.’

(phrasal verb) spell something out

4. To explain something in detail
‘Do I need to spell out the instructions again?’

- ☐ A. 1
- ☐ B. 2
- ☐ C. 3
- ☐ D. 4

Read the **first** and **second parts** of the story again. Answer Questions 11 – 12.

11. The following sentences tell what happened in the story.

1. The boys heard a loud noise.
2. The twins took a rest under a tree.
3. The boys’ parents took them to the oldest woman in the village.
4. The woman got some water from a river.

Which of the following is in the correct order?

- ☐ A. 1 → 3 → 2 → 4
- ☐ B. 2 → 1 → 3 → 4
- ☐ C. 2 → 1 → 4 → 3
- ☐ D. 1 → 3 → 4 → 2

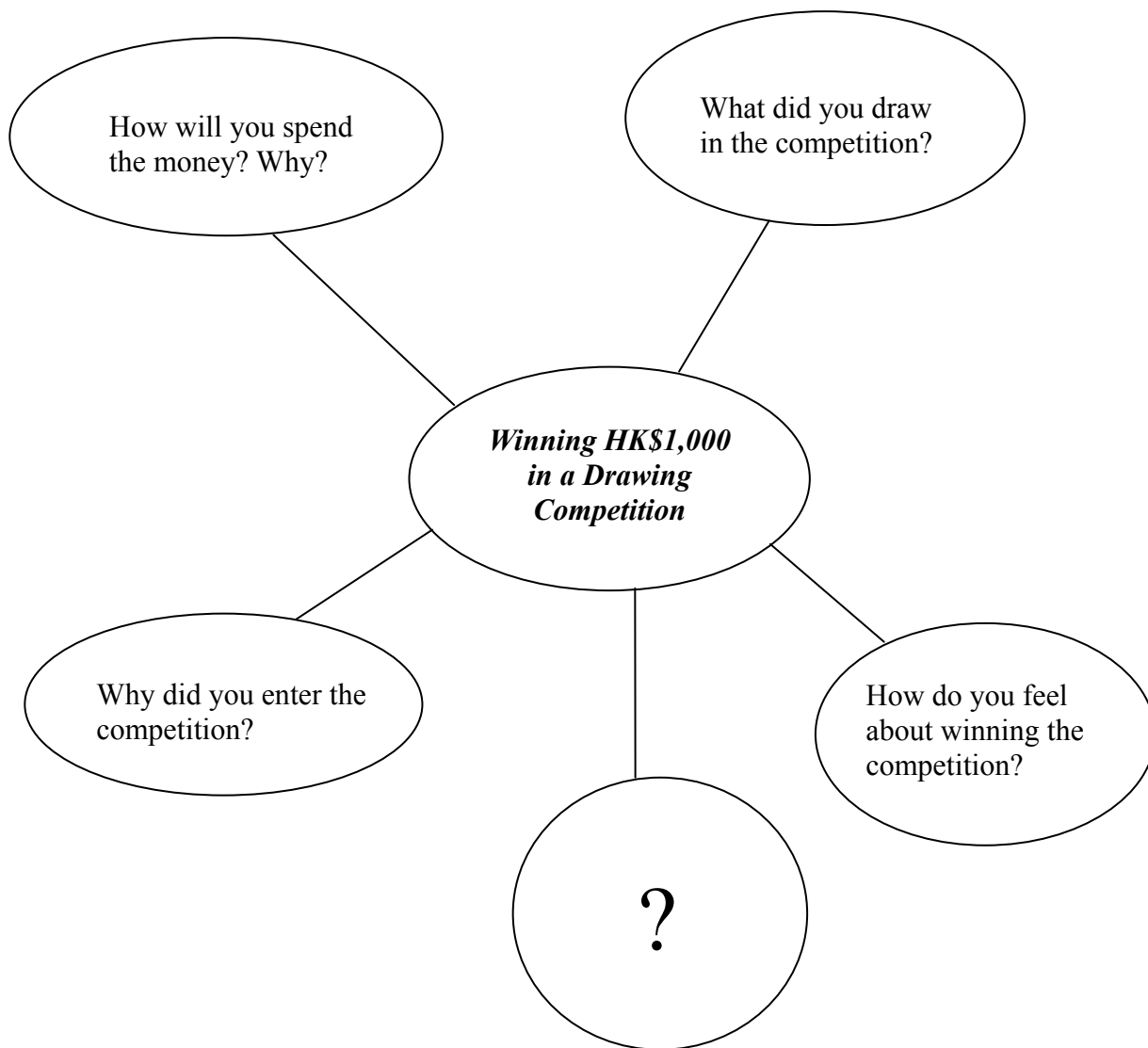
12. What is the main idea of this story?

- ☐ A. Don’t sleep under a tree.
- ☐ B. Don’t play with frogs or monkeys.
- ☐ C. Be happy with yourself.
- ☐ D. Be honest with your parents.

Part 5

You won a drawing competition. Your prize was one thousand Hong Kong dollars. You want to write about this competition for a children's magazine.

Write about 80 words. Use the following ideas for your composition.



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Winning a Drawing Competition

Recently, I won HK\$1,000 in a drawing competition. _____

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