

Word Focus Reading

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Vita-Orange Pop

I turn on the TV to watch my favorite animation. A commercial is just coming on. "Vita-Orange Pop, new juice for children. It has various flavors: apple, strawberry, grape, and orange. It has a lot of vitamin C in it. It has no sugar. But it's really sweet and fresh. Yummy! Drink Vita-Orange Pop. Give your children a healthy future."

My mouth waters while watching the TV commercial. I can't wait to drink the juice. So Mom and I go to the supermarket to buy it. Just then, there is a Vita-Orange Pop tasting event. We taste it. Wow! Great! We put some Vita-Orange Pop in the shopping cart.

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The Body of a Plant

Plants have many different parts. The three main parts are roots, stems, and leaves. They have different jobs.

Roots grow under the ground. They fix the plant to the soil. They take in water from the soil. Many plants store food in their roots.



Stems grow above the ground. They help the plant stand upright. They carry water from the roots to the leaves.

Leaves grow on the stems and branches. They get energy from sunlight and make food for the plant. They also use air and water to make food.

Flowers, fruits, and seeds are also parts of plants. Each part helps the plant grow well.

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Role play with your friends!

Milk's Long Journey



I love milk. I go to the store to buy milk every day.



I love milk too. Last week, I visited a farm to see some cows.



Wow! How was it?



It was great. I saw many things there. Farmers milk their cows and put the milk into a large storage tank. It keeps the milk cool and fresh.



What happens next?



The farmers send the milk to a factory. In the factory, the milk is tested for safety.



I didn't know that. That's interesting.



Then the special machine heats the milk. This kills bad germs in the milk. After that, the milk goes into cartons or bottles automatically. A truck driver delivers the milk to stores.



There are many steps before we drink milk.



Yes. That's right.

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A Report about a Cactus

Katie and Tim have to write a report about a cactus. Katie searched for the information on the internet. Tim visited Mr. Homer’s flower shop and asked about cactuses.

In the afternoon, they met to gather their findings. Katie said, “A cactus grows in the desert. It has spines instead of leaves. Its thick stem can store lots of water.” Tim said, “Good work! I learned about how to grow a cactus. A cactus needs little water to grow. We must water it only when the soil dries out. Too much water can damage its roots.” Katie said, “Excellent! Now let’s write our report.”

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My Uncle's Wedding



My uncle is getting married tomorrow. All my family got together at my grandparents' house. My aunt flew to Korea to attend the wedding. She lives in France with her husband and two children.

After supper, we talked about our roles for the wedding. My little sister and I will be a flower girl and boy. I will wear a suit with a bow tie. My sister will wear a pink dress with a tiara.

My aunt will record the video. Mom will decorate the wedding hall with flowers. Dad will be a photographer. I'm so excited with my role in the wedding. I can't wait for tomorrow.

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Triangles Are Everywhere



Ms. Kelly, what does a triangle look like?



Look at Christmas trees or pyramids. They have a similar shape. The shape is a triangle.



I still can't get it. Could you explain more?



Oh, yes. All triangles have three sides and three angles.



How about the length of the three sides? Are they all the same?



Some triangles have three equal sides. Other triangles have sides of different lengths.



That's interesting. How about the three angles?



The three angles can be different too. However, the sum of the three angles in a triangle is always 180 degrees. Think of things around you. What things are in the shape of a triangle?






Well, a slice of pizza or a sandwich? Ah! A hanger too!



Well done. Now you know about triangles.

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Water, Water, Everywhere!

Water is everywhere on the earth. We can see different forms of water in different places. We can find water in the oceans, in the ice, and in the air.

Water has three forms: solid, liquid, and gas.

Solid water is frozen water. Ice, snow, and frost are solid water. We can see lots of solid water in the North Pole.

Water usually means liquid water. We can find liquid water in oceans, rivers, and lakes. You can also see it in raindrops.

The gas form of water is called water vapor. When water gets hot, it becomes vapor. We cannot see it, but it is always in the air.

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Oops! Hiccups!

Dear Diary,



Our school had a school choir contest today. Everyone in my class practiced very hard for a month. The contest took place in the main hall.

I was so nervous before our turn. “Hic!” I started to have the hiccups. “I have an idea,” Lisa said. “Hold your breath and count to ten.” Amy said, “Here is warm water. Hold your nose and drink it.” My friends tried to help me in many ways. However, nothing worked.

“BOO!” Tony frightened me behind my back. I was so surprised, and fortunately my hiccups stopped. At last, we sang in beautiful harmony on the stage. It was the best performance.

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Eat Healthy! Be Healthy!



I got a physical checkup last week.



What did your doctor check?



My doctor checked my weight, height, eyes, and ears. I had a blood test too.



Did you get the result?



Yes. I got the results at school today. I gained five kilograms in a year. But I only grew two centimeters. I am very disappointed.



Don't be disappointed. You will grow more!



I want to grow faster. How can I do that?



My school nurse told me how to grow faster.



Really? How?



You should eat healthy food such as eggs, chicken, spinach, carrots, and soybeans. You should also get enough sleep and exercise.



I will try!

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Too Much Trash on Mount Everest

Mount Everest is the highest mountain in the world. But it is called “the world’s highest trash dump.” Every year, many people climb Mount Everest. But some people throw away a lot of trash on the mountain. This trash includes tents, cans, plastic containers, and empty oxygen tanks. Much of the trash will stay in the ground forever.



Other famous mountains around the world have the same problem. We should not leave trash behind. We have to protect our environment. When we throw away trash, we make the earth sick. We must start now. And we can save our earth.

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Light and Shadows



How can we see shadows?



A shadow appears when an object blocks the light. So we can see the shadow.



Ah ha! Sometimes I see long shadows and short shadows. Why is that?



When the sun moves during the day, shadows change their length.
For example, the sun is low in the morning.



So are the shadows long or short?



The shadows are long. When the sun gets higher, the shadows get shorter.
At noon, the sun is high up in the sky. So the shadows are short. In the late afternoon, the sun goes down.



Then the shadows get longer again.



That's right.



This is so interesting.



Yes. Let's go out and watch our shadows.

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Making a Poster

I did a group project in art class. My art teacher said, “There is Red Tomato Festival in our town. Many people visit our town to enjoy the festival. Let’s make posters for the event. All your posters will be on display during the festival.”

I worked together with Paul and Mary. We prepared a piece of poster board, markers, and crayons. First, we thought about the title and the phrases for the poster. And we talked about its design. Next, we created a cute tomato character. After that, we drew a sketch and colored it. Finally, we completed our cool poster. It was a fun project.

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The Moon



The Moon is the Earth’s only satellite. It is smaller than the Earth. It is a rocky and dusty place. Its surface has many big holes. There is no air and no wind on it.

The Moon orbits the Earth in about twenty-seven days. So it looks different every night. The Moon does not have its own light. The Sun gives light to the Moon. When the Moon is between the Earth and the Sun, we cannot see the Moon at all. This is called the New Moon. The New Moon grows bigger and bigger. It grows into the Half Moon and grows until the Full Moon.

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Go! My Sister!



What did you do last Saturday?



I watched a competition at the gymnastics stadium.



Wow! Do you know any rhythmic gymnasts?



My sister is a rhythmic gymnast. She participated in the competition.



Awesome! How was it?



Her performance was great.



Please tell me more about your sister's performance.



She entered with a smile and waved to the crowd. She threw the ribbon in the air and caught it. She jumped high and twirled her ribbon at the same time.



Fantastic! Did you take any pictures?



No. I was very nervous for her. I couldn't take any pictures.

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Unique Musical Instruments

Every country has its own musical instruments. Let's discover some of them.

An alphorn is the folk instrument in Switzerland. It is a very long wooden trumpet. In the Swiss Alps, shepherds played it to communicate across mountain valleys.

A bagpipe is the national instrument in Scotland. It is a wind instrument with a windbag and several pipes. A bagpipe player usually wears the traditional Scottish uniform.

A sitar is the most famous classical instrument of North India. It is a type of guitar. It has seven strings. Its strings are metal. It has a long and wide wooden neck. It is very often used in Indian film music.

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The Enormous Turnip

An old man planted some turnip seeds in the yard. He watered and cared for them.

One of his turnips grew bigger and bigger. It was enormous! He tried to pull it out, but it didn't move. He called his wife. They pulled together, but nothing happened. A boy came to the turnip to help. Again, it didn't move. They shouted to a girl playing by the tree. They pulled together. Nothing happened. The man's dog and cat came to help them.

All together, they pulled very hard. Heave ho, heave ho! *Pop!* Finally it came out. The old man cooked a nice turnip dinner. They all enjoyed it.

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