Dear Joe,

Today Chloe and I visited the biggest library in Hong Kong – the Hong Kong Central Library.

Hong Kong Central Library is huge! On its 12 floors, you will find not only books but also CD-ROMs, newspapers and magazines. You can also use your own computer at the reading table. Chloe and I were so excited and I think you will love this place too.

Before I entered the library, I was attracted by the building. When I took a look above me, I saw a great arch above the front entrance. It represents ‘The Gate to Knowledge’. I also saw a triangle, a square and a circle, which stand for knowledge, land and the sky. It is amazing! There is a fountain outside the Main Entrance too. Have you looked at our photo taken in front of the fountain? Is it wonderful?

We first went up to the Map Library on the fifth floor. I wanted to find the maps of major countries to prepare for my next lesson. Then we went down to the second floor which I called it the ‘Children’s World’. There is a lot for children. The Children’s section has over 190,000 books and magazines. But Chloe was not interested in books. She was more interested in the toys in the Toy Library! She stayed there for more than one hour.

After that, we went to the Lending section. Chloe wanted to go to the Children’s Multimedia Room. However, we didn’t have much time left to get there. Finally, Chloe went to the Circulation Counter to borrow 2 storybooks and 1 CD-ROM.

When we were leaving the library, I saw a Book & Gift Shop over the corner. As you know I like shopping, so we went inside the shop and bought you this letter set.

Take care. See you soon.

Love,
Antoine
B. You should now know more about the Hong Kong Central Library. Fill in the blanks with the correct words.

Triangle for _________

Circle for _________

___ floors

Arch for ___________

______________

Square for _________

C. Miss Tang visited 5 places in the library. Rearrange Miss Tang’s route in the library. Write 1 to 5.

Book & Gift Shop  Map Library  Circulation Counter

Toy Library  Main Entrance  Children’s Multimedia Room
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3. Toy Library
4. Circulation Counter
5. Book & Gift Shop
The Biggest Library in Hong Kong
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Based on New Welcome to English 4B Unit 6

The reading task
Miss Tang wrote a letter to Joe. She talked about her visit to the Hong Kong Central Library. The students need to read the letter and finish 2 tasks.

New vocabulary

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<th>An arch is a structure that is curved at the top and is supported on either side by a pillar, post or wall.</th>
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<td>represent (v.)</td>
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<td>A fountain is an ornamental feature in a pool which consists of a jet of water that is forced up into the air by a pump.</td>
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Procedure

- Pre-reading activity
  - Ask the students how often they go to the public library.
  - Introduce Hong Kong Central Library by showing some pictures
  - Ask questions about Hong Kong Central Library, e.g.
    - Where is Hong Kong Central Library?
    - How many floors are there in the library?
    - How many children books and magazines are there?

- Reading

- Reading task