The Chinese University of Hong Kong
Fostering Communities of Practice to Enhance Learning
and Teaching in a Small Class Environment

Christian Alliance H.C. Chan Primary School

Final Sharing

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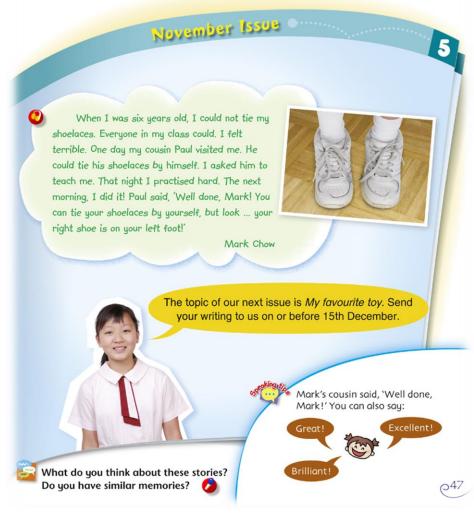
Our School



- Number of classes: 24
- P.2-P.6
 - Classes C and D are split into 3 groups in English lessons, with about 20 students in each group

Longman Elect Book 4A Chapter 6 When I was Little





Overall Plan and Learning Objectives

		Objectives		
	Knowledge and content	Skills	Attitudes	Activities
1 st	-Learn about different phrases of actions/abilities.	Able to read, remember, listen and identify, observe and retell about the different phrases of actions/abilities.	Learn to take care of oneself.	Card games: 1. Matching games 2. Hit the card L1: comb my hair L2: I can comb my hair.
2 nd — 3 rd	-Learn about how to use modal verbs "could" and "couldn't" to talk about abilities and inabilities -Learn about the usage of reflexive pronouns.	Able to talk about their abilities and inabilities to do something in the past.	Reflect on their strengths and weaknesses, appreciate their achievement and improve their weaknesses.	Hit the card: L3:I could comb my hair when I was six. L4:He could comb his hair by himself when he was six.
4 th - 5 th	-Reinforce the learning of the target language items by analyzing a school magazine article.	Able to find out, understand, remember and describe people's past experience.	Appreciate people's good habits and encourage friends to make improvement.	Reading comprehension questions (HOT questions)
6 th -7 th	-Analyze a teacher's life with a timeline.	Able to record a person's life experience with a timeline.	Admire the teacher.	Listening, scratching an incident, speaking
8 th -9 th	-Able to set open-ended interview questions	Able to collect, sort out and organize information collected.	Speak politely when interviewing someone.	Think pair share (wh-questions)
10 th	-Record an elderly's life with a timeline.	Able to collect, sort out and organize information collected.	Care about an elderly and respect his/her life experience.	Make and share
11 th -12 th	-Learn about the structure of a report.	Able to write a report for the interviewed person.	Love and treasure the ones around you.	Write a report
13 th	-Able to share about the writing with their friends	Able to comment on others' work	Appreciate other's good work and effort	Share the report with their classmates











tie my shoelaces



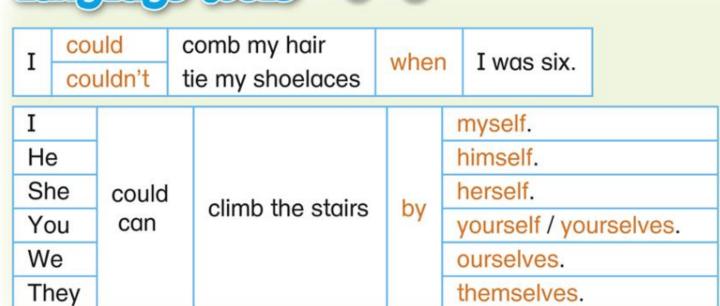












Learning vocabulary

- Card games
 - Hit the cards
 - Match the cards



Card games - Hit the cards

- Word cards
- Picture cards

Different levels of difficulty

Level 3 Longer sentence

e.g. I could get dressed by myself (when I was six)

Level 2 Short sentence

e.g. I could get dressed.

Level 1 Vocabulary

e.g. get dressed

Reading Comprehension



When I was little



What is your funniest memory? What happened? How old were you? Read this school magazine article. What do the children in Class 48 remember?

Our memories by Class 4B

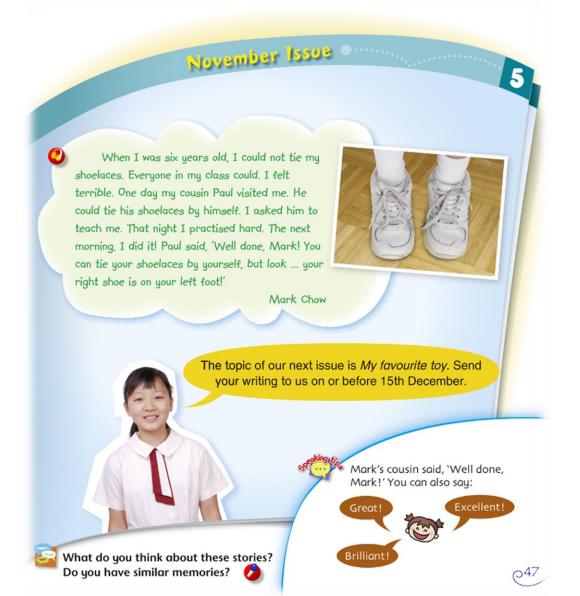


When I started school, I was six. I was nervous the night before! Then Mum said my brothers and I must pack our school bags by ourselves. This was not a problem for my older brothers. They could pack their bags by themselves, but I did not know what to take so I packed my teddy bear, a packet of cookies and my pillow. Fortunately, Mum found out and she helped me pack my bag. My first day at school was great!

My sister Jenny is very independent. She does not want anyone to help her. When Jenny was three years old, she got dressed by herself for a party. When it was time for the party, Jenny did not want to go. That was strange because she usually loved parties. Then we noticed that her princess costume was open at the back. Jenny could not do up her buttons by herself! I had to help her.

Lily Chan





Pre-study tasks

Instructions: Read Textbook P.46-47 and answer the questions below. 1. Do you have any happy memories? Can you think of one happy thing that happened? Use Past Tense! 2. Read Amy's memory and write down something funny about her.

3. Read Lily's memory and write down something funny about her sister, Jenny.				
4. Read Mark's memory and write down something funny about him.				
5. How can you describe Mark when he was six?				

Arousing interest - recalling memories



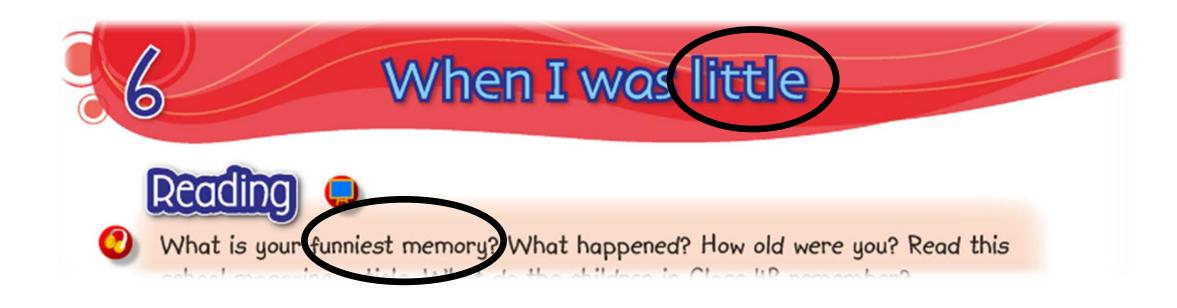
In-class sharing

• Students shared about their happy memories with the help of their pre-study worksheets.





Paying attention to small details



weekly magazine

monthly magazine

yearly magazine





Reading Comprehension (for more able pupils)

Learning Objectives:

Students are able to:

- prepare for the lessons autonomously.
- ask high-order thinking (HOT) questions.
- appreciate others' work.
- distinguish questions with different levels of difficulty.
- sort out information accurately from the reading passage.

7th May 20XX

It will be Mother's Day on Sunday. When I was younger, I needed Mum for lots of things. I couldn't climb the stairs or do up my buttons by myself. Now I don't need Mum. Even Tommy (the world's laziest brother) can tie his shoelaces by himself.

Why now I don't need num?

10th May 20XX WRIL 319/1 I put my ___ on Sunday?

I didn't want to go to school this morning. Mum gave me a big hug. Then she told me a funny story:

When I was five, I loved school. One day I put my uniform on and packed my school bag by myself ... on a Sunday!

I felt much better afterwards and school was OK.

Answer: uniform

1 A Question For English Book P. 46-47

Q: Why Amy finally need her mum to help her to pack her school bag?

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A: Because Amy don't know how to pack her school bag and she pack all the things worg.

Why did Lily think Jenny was strange

Regina

Why Paul felt terrible when
I was six?

Kris Chong

An sew

Pre-tasks

- 1. Take turns and share the questions they have written.
- 2. Choose two of the best questions among the four questions.
- 3. Assign scores for the questions according to the difficulties: 100 marks for easier ones and 300 marks for harder ones.
 - There are 3 types of questions: 100 marks and 300 marks
 prepared by students, and 500 marks prepared by the teacher.

While-task

1. Draw one question from each of the box.



How was Amy first day at school?

THEAT

What did Amy packed in her school bag when she was six? Why she put them on her school bag?

She packed her teddy bear, a packet of cookies and her pillow in her school bag. She put them on her school bag because

Did Amy enjoy her first day of School? How do you know?

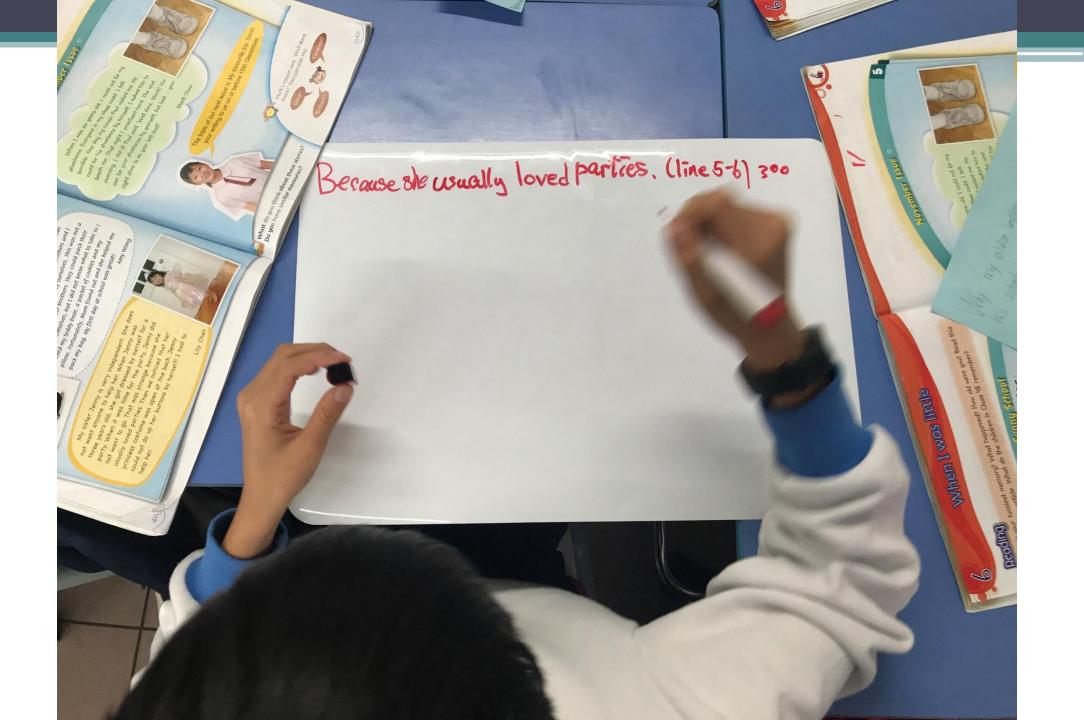
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- 4. Share what they write.
- 5. Score each of the answer according to their accuracy.

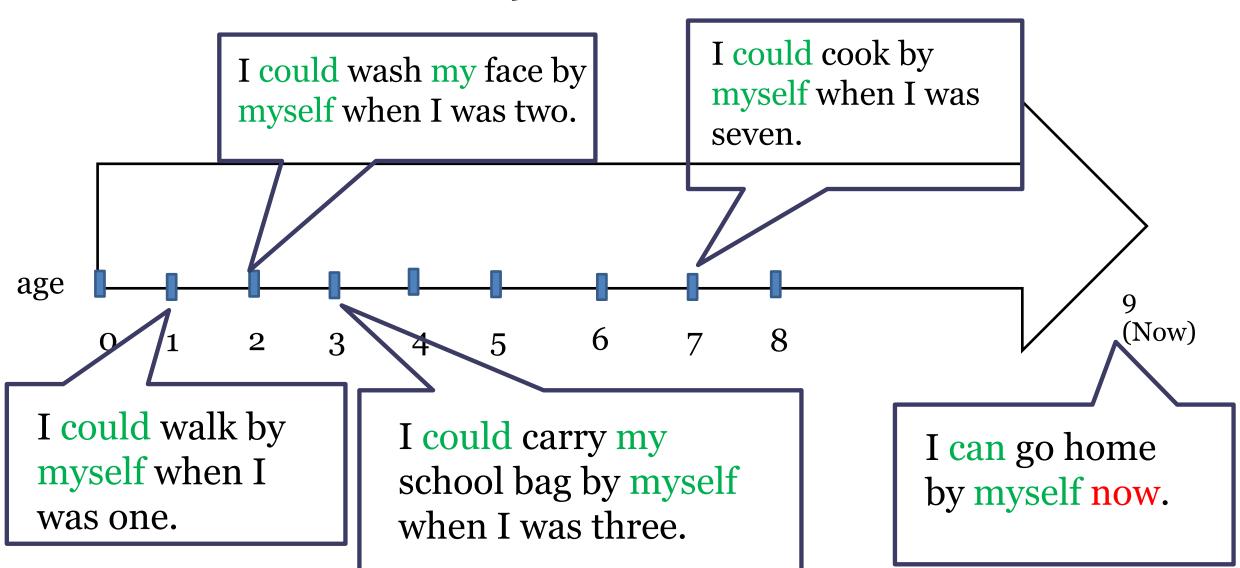
Drawing a timeline (Part 1)

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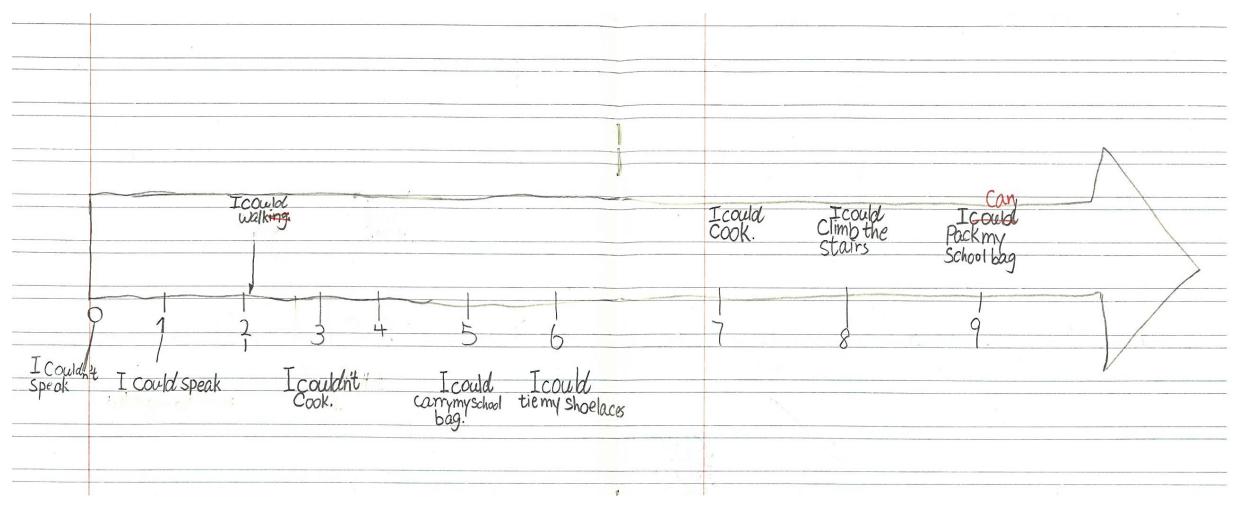
Students are able to:

- record their life experience with a timeline
- use the target vocabulary and language structure in recording their memories
 e.g. vocabulary of daily actions, modal verb "could/can", reflexive pronouns

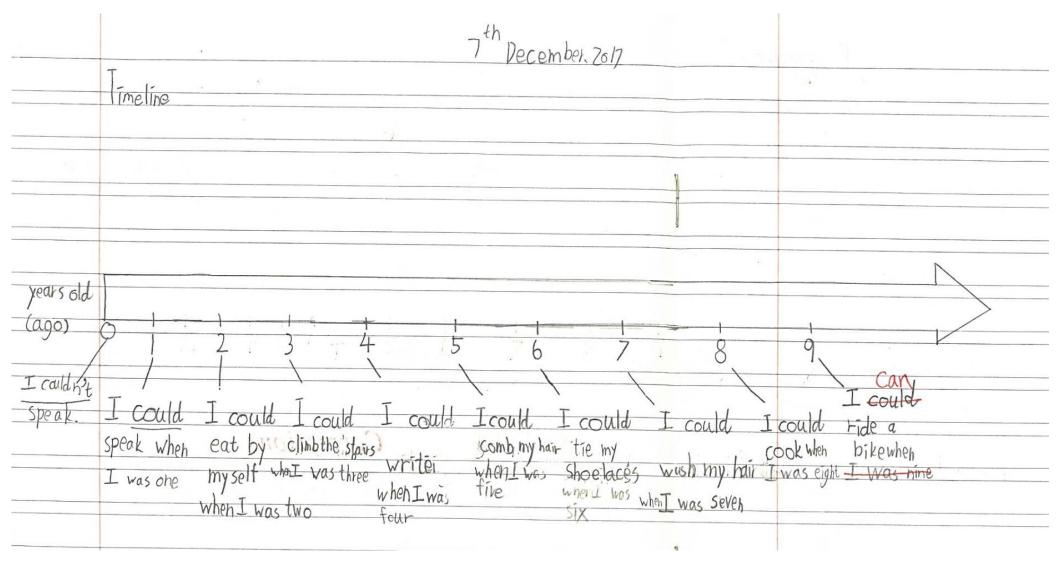
My Timeline



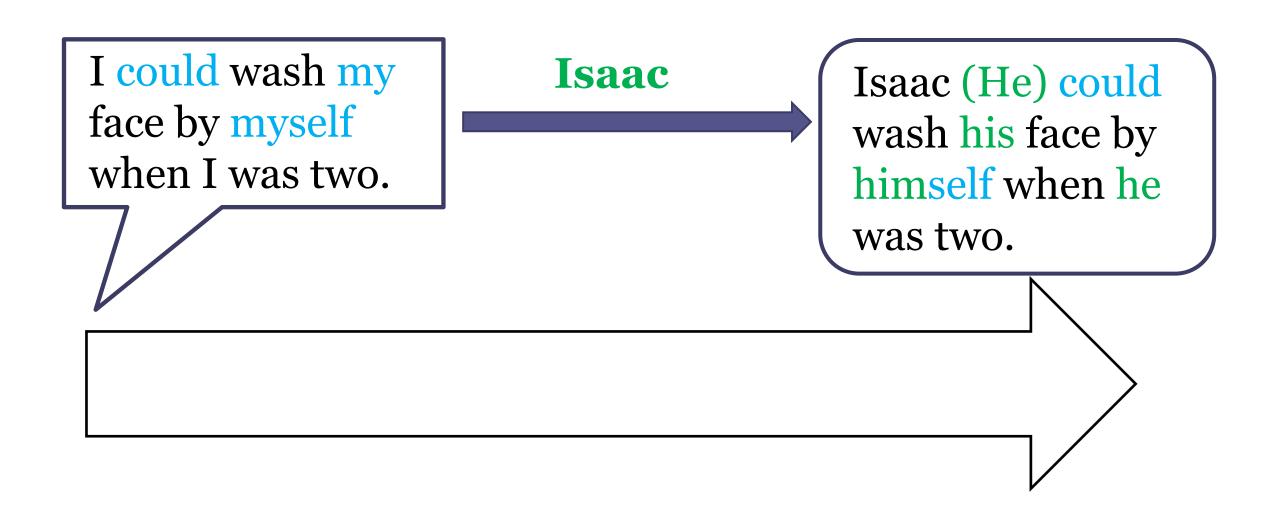
Students' work

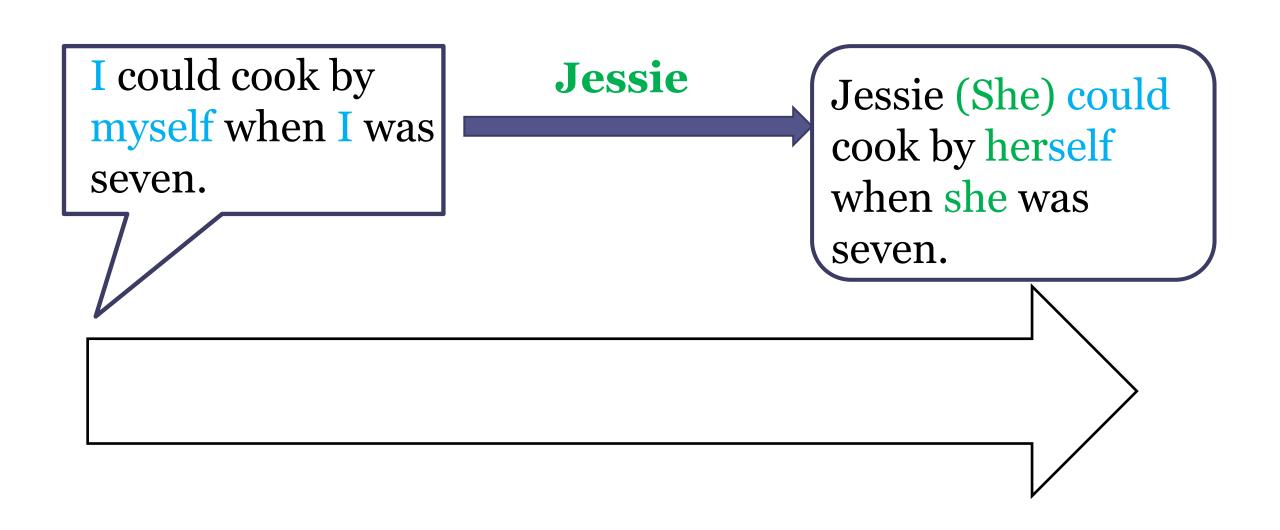


Students' work

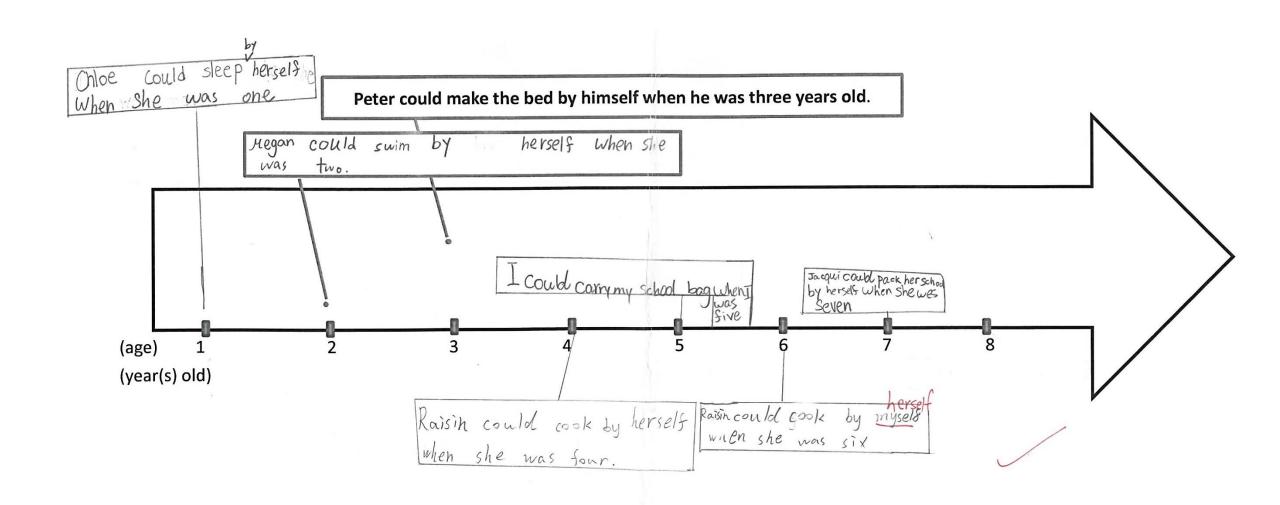


Group work - changing pronouns & reflexive pronouns

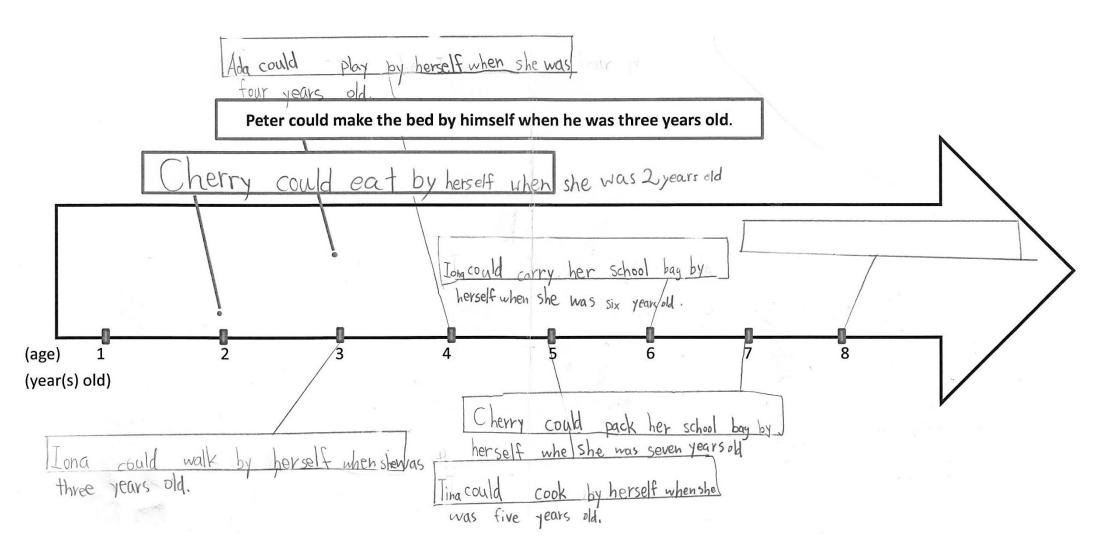




Students' work



Students' work



Drawing a timeline (Part 2)

Learning Objectives:

Students are able to:

- interview one of the elders in their family
- record the elder's experience using a timeline with the information gathered from the interview
- Learn to respect the older generation

Record an elderly's experience with a timeline after collecting the information.

You may use the following questions to help you.

What did _____ play with his / her friends when ____ was a child?



My grandpa played Chinese chess with his friends when he was a child.

Nobody played electronic games when he was young.

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1975

1985

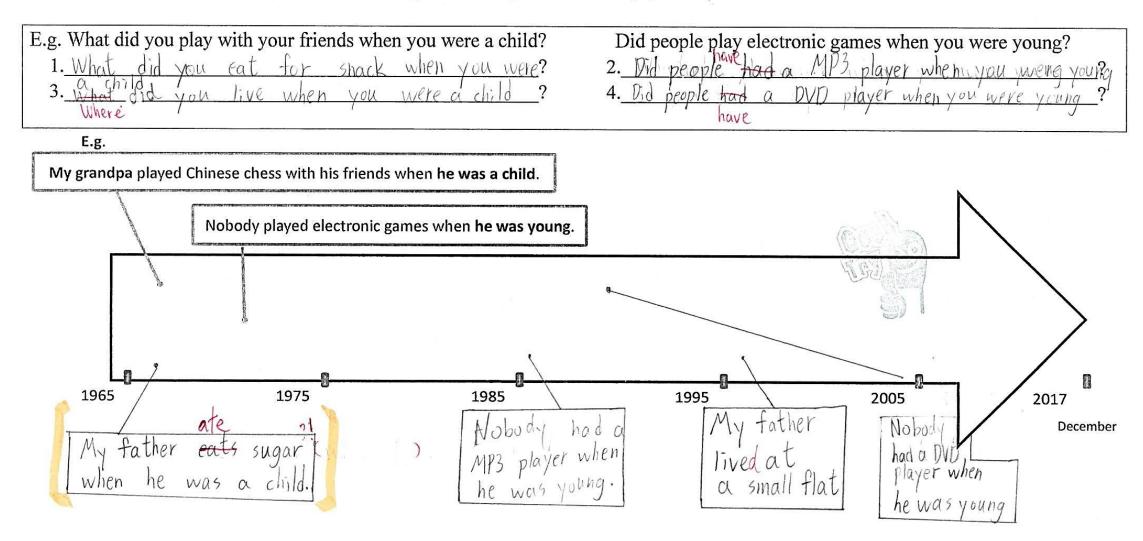
1995

2005

My grandpa could cook by himself when he was sixteen.

- Did ______ do some housework?
- What could _____ do by himself / herself when ____ was young?

Christian Alliance H.C. Primary School P.4 1st term Unit 6 Name: () Class: Date: You are going to write a mini report for an elderly in your family. Try to record the elderly's experience in his or her old days with a timeline. You may use the following interview questions to help you. E.g. What did you play with your friends when you were a child? Did people play electronic games when you were young? ? ? 2._____ E.g.₽ My grandpa played Chinese chess with his friends when he was a child. Nobody played electronic games when he was young. 1975 1995 2005 2017₽ 1965 1985 December+ You are going to write a mini report for an elderly in your family. Try to record the elderly's experience in his or her old days with a timeline. You may use the following interview questions to help you.

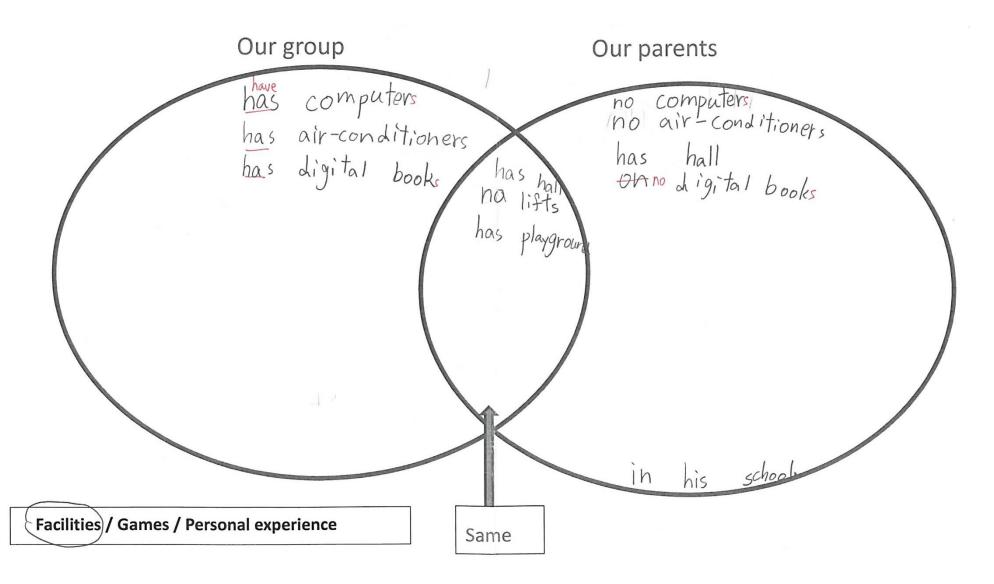


Task to enhance high-order thinking skills

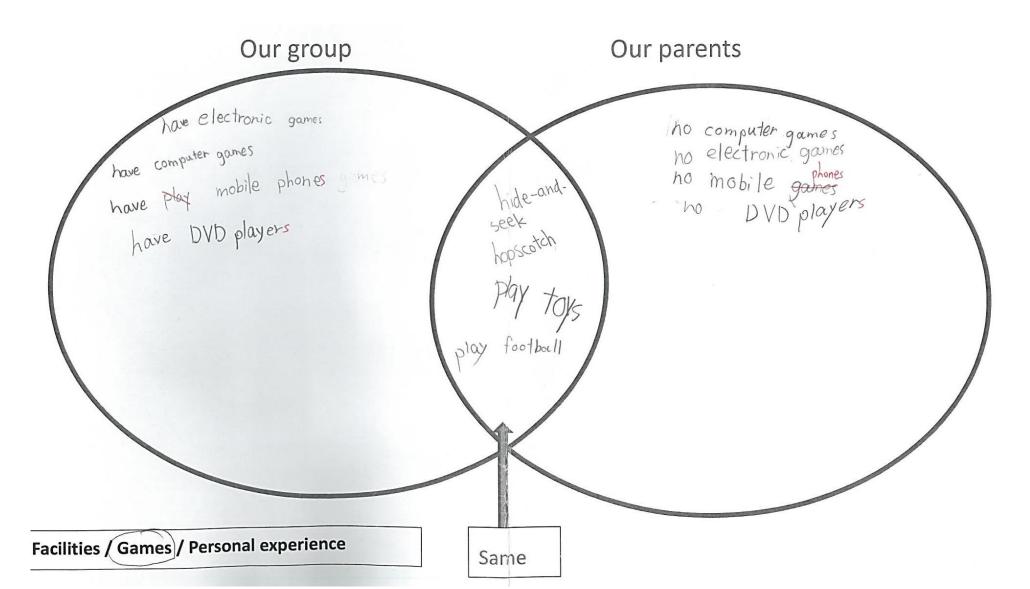
• Students make use of the information gathered and compare the elders' lives in the past and their lives nowadays.

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Were there any computers in your school?₽	+
Were there any air-conditioners in your school?ผ	+
Was there a hall in your school?₽	+
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Games P	
Did anybody in your class play electronic games?↓	4
Did anybody in your class play Chinese chess? φ	+
Did anybody in your class play hide-and-seek?4	+
Personal experience / School	
Could you go to school by yourself?	4
Could you pack your school bag by yourself?&	+
Did you have a tutor?₽	#
	+ +

Students' work



Students' work



Final Task



Ask one of your parents / grandparents to complete the questionnaire. You can also add your own questions.

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This is Maggie's questionnaire.

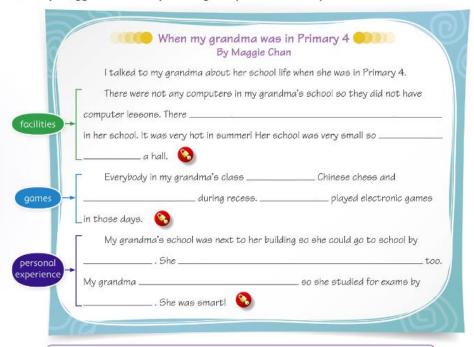
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Facilities			·
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Were there any air-conditioners in your school?			X
Was there a	hall in your school?		Х
Games			
Did anybody	Х		
Did anybody in your class play Chinese chess?			✓
Did anybody	in your class play hide-a	and-seek?	✓
Personal ex	kperience		
Could you go	✓		
Could you pa	✓		
	a tutor?		Y

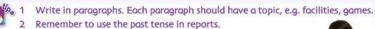






Help Maggie finish her report using her questionnaire on p.52.





3 Use linking words like 'so' and 'and' to link your ideas:

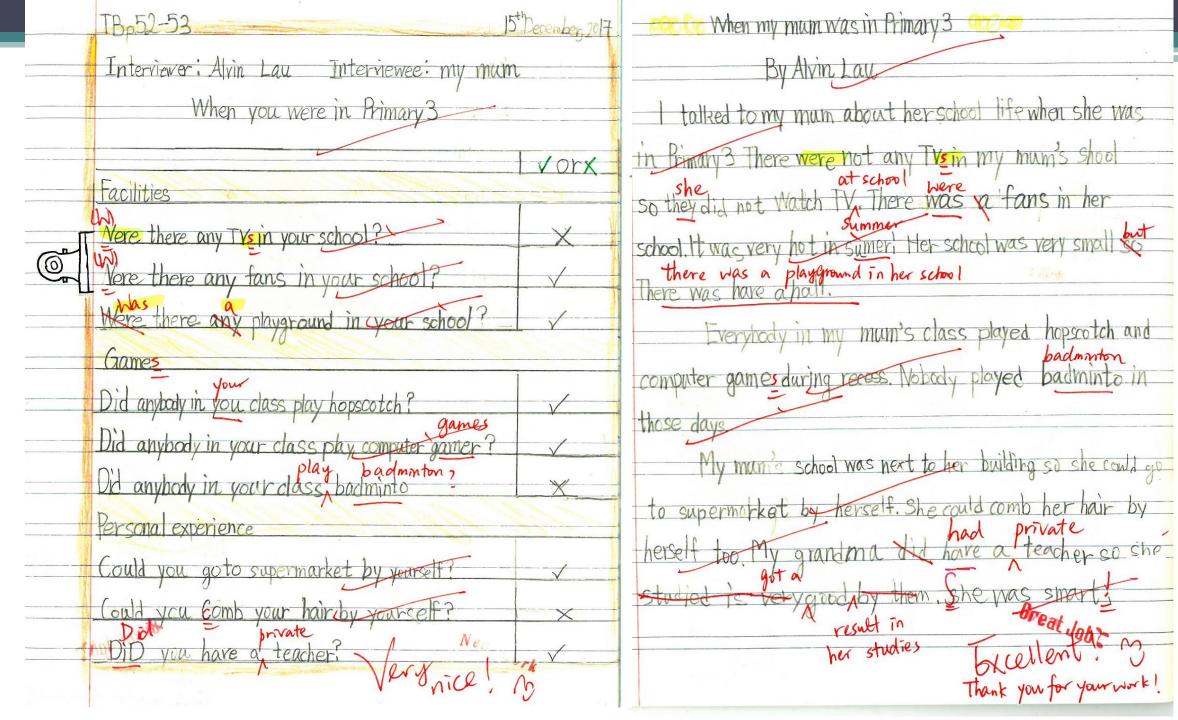
There were not any computers in my grandma's school so they did not have computer lessons.

4 Add details to make the writing more interesting: It was very hot in summer!



Write about the school life of your parent / grandparent using your own questionnaire.





Nize design TBP 52-53 15 + December, 2017 When my mother was In 3 Interviewer: Tina Ise Iterviewee: my By Tina Tse When you were in Primary 3 I talked to my mother about her school life Faulities Facilities when she was in Primary 3. Was there any garden in your school? X There was not any garden in my mother's school Was there any Tysin you school? there was not any TVs in her school. There Were there any fans in your school? were any fans in her school Games Everybody in my mother's class played hide Did anybody in your class play tride-and-seek? games and-seek and hopcotch during recess. Nobody played Did anybody in your class play football? v faotball in those days. Did anybody in your class play hopscotch? My mother's could get dressed. She did not pack her school bag and tie her shoelaces. by yourself by herself Could you get dressed? Could you pack my school bag? X.
Could you tie my shoetaces? X Not bad! Appreciate you hard work!

15 December, 2017. mother Interviewer: IbbV Interviewee: you were in Primary 3 Facilities In your school forms in your school there any any phyround in your school Games In your class computer games any body in your class play badminton and y in your class play foot ball? Bersonal experience Could you go to school by Could you get dressed by yourself? Could you tie my shoelaces by yourself work

her school life when I talk to my monder Primary 3. There were not any IVs in my monder's school so they ofal not have TV lessons. There were not any tans in her school it was very hot in summer Her school was very big but there weren't any so there was bes a playground. computer games! played Computer games and Everybooty in my monder class backminton during recess no backy mother's building so was next get dressed heiself. She caud have a tutor so she tor exams by herself, she was smart tie her shoelaces? COOD TRY ! Appreciate your good work!

Sharing of Final Task

• Pre-tasks

- Individual work: students write about their funny memories
- Group work: students make a group poster about their funny memories

While-tasks

- Students share their funny memories in their groups
- Students rotate their posters and read other groups' posters
- Students appreciate their peers' work and do peer checking
- Teacher selects some students' work and gives feedback

Post-task

- Students got their writings back and modified their work

Final product





Doing Peer Check

Read your friends' writing and give stickers!



• English (most of the sentences are written in the past tense)



• It's **funny** + you **like** reading it



 Use a pencil to circle the words that may not be correct

1. Setting learning objectives in three aspects

Knowledge

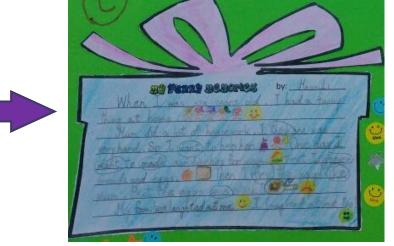
- using the past tense to describe memories

Skills

- able to **remember, describe, retell and report** what happened to them in the past

• Attitude/ Value

- treasure their memories
- appreciate their peers' effort



How to introduce lesson objectives to students?

- Miss Tse wants you to...
 - use the past tense to describe memories
 - work well with your group mates

Shall we...

- use the past tense to describe memories?
- work well with our group mates?

- 2. Self-learning should take place in the whole learning process
 - Pre-task
 - While-task
 - Post-task



Self-learning

Recognition

Automatic production

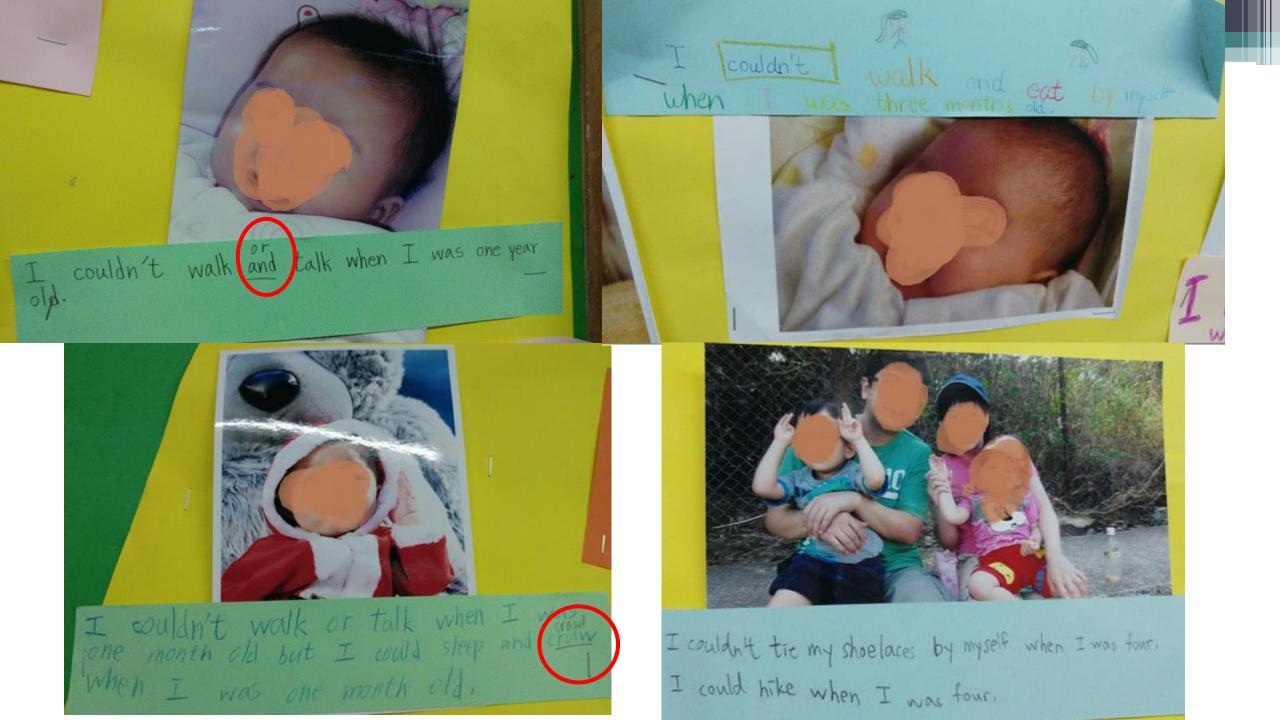
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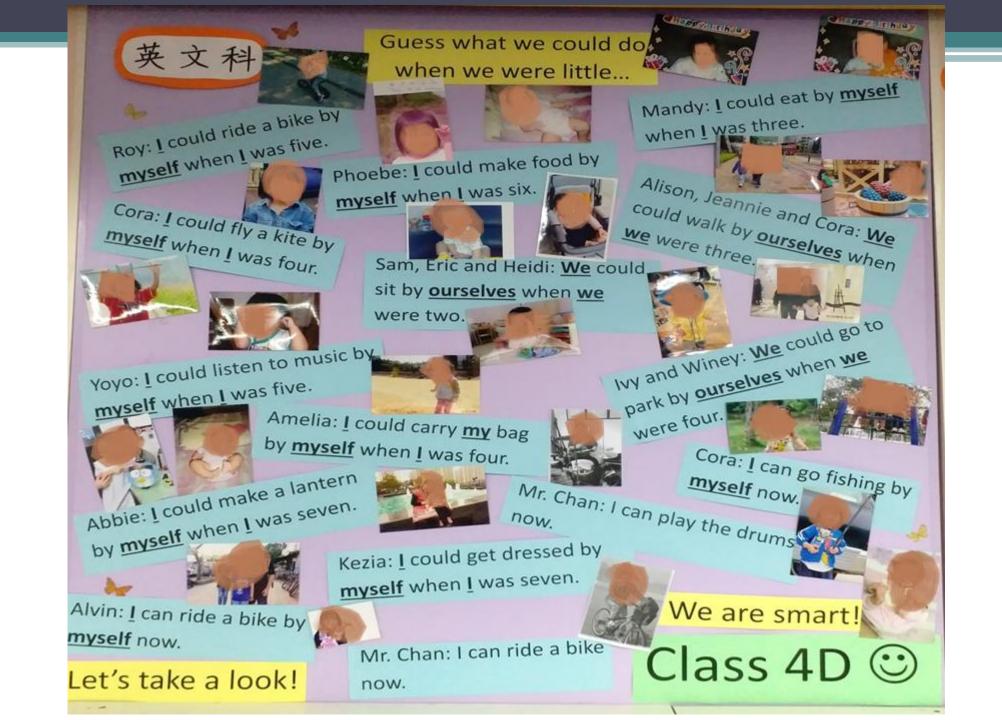
Facilitator

*Self-learning

Making use of classroom boards to promote self-learning









GAMES IN THE PAST



Grab the Bean Bags (抓子)

- 1. Scatter all small bean bags on the playing surface.
- 2. Get one bean bag and toss it into the air.
- 3. Pick up another bean bag quickly and catch the first bean bag before it falls.
- 4. Repeat Steps 2 and 3 until all the beans bags are grabbed.



Game Boy

It's a handheld small game machine. It is more or less the size of a mobile phone nowadays. People can insert game cards into the Game Boy and play different games.



Paper Fortune Teller (東南西北)

Parts of the fortune teller are with colors or numbers that give players some options to choose from. Inside there are eight flaps, each with a message. The person controls the fortune teller based on the choices made from the player. Finally it shows one of the hidden messages.

Programma



Portrait Paper Card Game (公仔紙)

- 1. Place one paper card on your hand.
- 2. Slap your hand against your partner's.
- 3. The person with the paper card face-up wins.



Paper Dolls (換衣紙娃娃)

Paper dolls are pictures of persons or animals cut out from thin cards, with different clothing items also made of paper. Children can help the paper dolls wear beautiful clothes or get changed.



Soda Water Lid

- Do you know any other games that were played in the past? Try to ask your parents or grandparents!
- Which of the games above are never played

Hopscotch

- Which of the games above are seldom/sometimes played nowadays?
- Which of the games above do you want to play? Why?



Tamagotchi

The Tamagotchi is a digital pet. It's a kind of simple electronic game invented by Japan. Players need to feed and take care of the digital pet, helping the egg grow and become an adult pet.



Mini 4WD (四驅車)

It's a mini plastic model race car with four wheels. It was first produced by Japan in 1980. Children liked having the Mini 4WD. races with their friends in their spare time.



Cat's Cradle (翻花繩)

It's a simple game played with a looped string. One player uses the string to make a shape; the other player string from you and form a new sha until one player makes mistakes







我們可以用適當 的工具、進行以 下的量度活動。

10 特敦内亚生

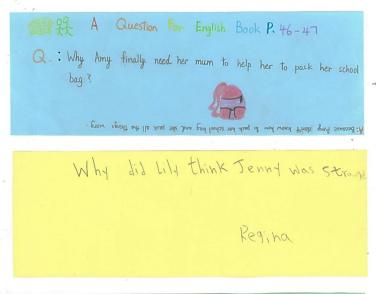
3. Use interactive games to arouse students' interest (hit the cards, matching game)





4. HOT questions are important in teaching reading comprehension.

→ Allow more able students to take part in initiating HOT questions





5. Appreciate students' work and effort

Increase the number of audience/readers of students'

writing

➤ Peer check & teacher's feedback

Find the teaching points

► Have a collection of class good work



- 6. Spend at least 5 minutes to cater for more able students
 - → Ask a few difficult questions to challenge bright learners

Thank you!