

# Your House Is Bigger, But I Like Mine

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## 1 Pre-reading Questions

Please answer the following questions before you read.

Questions	Answers
1. Do you have a pet at home? If yes, what kind of animal is it?	<p>Yes, I do. I have a dog. (參考答案)</p> <p>No, I don't. (參考答案)</p>
2. Do you like cats? Why or why not?	<p>Yes, I do. They are cute. (參考答案)</p> <p>No, I don't. They are not nice. (參考答案)</p>
3. Can you share an experience with a pet or an animal?	<p>Yes, I can. I had a dog before and he was my best friend. (參考答案)</p> <p>No, I can't. I never had a pet before. (參考答案)</p>

## 2 While-reading Notes

Please fill in the blanks while you are reading the article.

On a winter day, 1. a girl found a thin little cat on the side of the road . 2. The cat was looking for food in a trash can . “Oh, poor little cat. Are you hungry? It's cold outside. Come and live with me,” the girl said to the cat, and she carried him home.

“3. Her house is quiet and pretty , but I like to be outside because I am free there,” thought the cat.

“It's lunch time. 4. Have some soup, sandwiches, and salad ,” said the girl. But the cat missed his old food. “5. My food is more delicious than hers ,” thought the cat.

After lunch, 6. the girl gave the cat a bath .

“Oh, yes. Now you’re clean!” said the girl.

“Oh, no. Now I am wet!” thought the cat.

The girl went to her room and found some old clothes so the cat would be warmer. “I don’t like to wear clothes. Besides, 7. her socks are bigger than my paws , and 8. her sweater is too big for me ,” thought the cat.

“Don’t worry,” said the girl, “You can try on some other clothes later!”

When the girl was looking for some more clothes, 9. the cat jumped out the window . “I’m free!” thought the cat. “It is much better to be outside!”

The girl came back and saw the open window. 10. The cat was already gone .

“ 11. Maybe he will come back later ,” she thought. She looked out of the window and waited for him every day. 12. She was lonely .

After two weeks, 13. it began to snow . 14. The wind blew . It was as cold as ice. The cat was hungry and tired.

When he found some food, 15. big fat cats came and took it away .

The cat was free, but he was not happy.

16. He missed his time with the girl .

The cat went back to the girl’s house. He was surprised because the window was open! Beside the window, 17. he found a nice, dry towel . “It must be from the kind girl,” thought the cat.

“You’re back!” cried the girl, “But you’re so stinky! Now you really need a bath!”

The cat did not like the bath, but he really liked the girl.

### 3 Reading Structure

Please fill in the blanks after you read.

## A Cat's Story

outside the house



A cat's appearance (外觀): thin and little

Weather: on a winter day

Where: on the side of the road

What: was looking for food in a trash can

↓ a girl carried him home

in the house



Where: the girl's quiet and pretty house

What:

(1) had soup, sandwiches, and salad for lunch

(2) had a bath

(3) wore clothes: socks, sweater

↓ the cat jumped out the window

outside the house again



After two weeks:

Weather: began to snow, wind blew, as cold as ice

What:

(1) big fat cats came and took his food away

(2) was free but not happy

(3) missed his time with the girl

A cat's appearance (外觀): was hungry and tired

↓ the cat went back to the girl's house

in the house again

1. the window was open

2. a nice, dry towel beside the window

3. so stinky → need a bath

#### 4 Post-reading Questions

Please answer the following questions after you read.

Questions	Answers
1. Where did the girl find the cat?	<u>She found it on the side of the road.</u>
2. Why does the cat like to be outside?	<u>He is free there.</u>
3. What did the girl prepare for the cat for lunch?	<u>She prepared soup, sandwiches, and salad.</u>
4. What did the girl do after lunch?	<u>She gave the cat a bath.</u>
5. How did the cat leave the girl's house?	<u>He jumped out the window.</u>
6. How was the cat when it went back to the girl's house?	<u>He was so stinky.</u>

# The Dish Is the Most Delicious of All

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## 1 Warm-up Questions

Please answer the following questions before you listen.

Questions	Answers
1. What's your favorite food?	<u>My favorite food is pizza.</u> (參考答案)
2. What food do you like the least?	<u>I like eggplants the least.</u> (參考答案)
3. Did you ever go to a food festival? If yes, can you share your experience? If no, will you want to try it next time?	<u>Yes, I did. / No, I didn't.</u> <u>Yes, I can. I tasted a lot of food and had a good time there. (參考答案)</u> <u>Yes, I will. /</u> <u>No, I won't.</u>

## 2 While-listening Notes

Please fill in the blanks while you are listening to the dialogue.

(At the World Food Festival in Taipei)

Mike: What a festival! I had tacos, paella and Turkish ice cream.

Laura: That's a lot! 1. Which was the most delicious ?

Mike: The paella was the most delicious. 2. It had vegetables, chicken, and rabbit meat in it .

Laura: What? Rabbit meat? Hmm ..., that sounds special.

Mike: 3. The rabbit meat tastes like chicken . You should try some.

Laura: Maybe next time.

(4. A pizza seller is cutting a pizza at his stand .)

Laura: 5. The pizza smells nice .

Seller: The pizza has tomatoes and cheese on it. Try some.

Laura: 6. It tastes good !

Mike: I love cheese. 7. Can I have a pizza with a lot of cheese ?

Seller: How about this one? I put Gouda cheese from the Netherlands on it.

Mike: I'll try some.

Seller: Here you go.

Laura: 8. How does it taste ?

Mike: It tastes great, but ... 9. my stomach doesn't feel right .

Laura: Poor you. You ate too much.

### 3 Dialogue Structure

Please fill in the blanks after you listen.

## World Food Festival in Taipei

### Scene 1

Mike



had tacos, paella and Turkish ice cream



Laura



That's a lot!

paella was the most delicious

1. vegetables
2. chicken
3. rabbit meat : tastes like chicken



sounds special

### Scene 2

Pizza Seller



tomatoes +  
cheese



a pizza with a lot of cheese



Laura:

- smells nice
- tastes good

Mike:

- I love cheese.
- tastes great
- My stomach doesn't feel right.

#### 4 Post-listening Questions

Please answer the following questions after you listen.

Questions	Answers
1. To Mike, which was the most delicious, tacos, paella, or Turkish ice cream?	Mike thought the paella was the most delicious.
2. To Laura, how does the rabbit meat sound?	It sounds special.
3. What does the rabbit meat taste like?	It tastes like chicken.
4. How does the pizza smell?	It smells nice.
5. What's there on the pizza?	There are tomatoes and cheese on it. / There is a lot of cheese on it. /
6. What happened to Mike after he ate the pizza?	His stomach didn't feel right.

#### 1 Pre-reading Questions

Please answer the following questions before you read.

Questions	Answers
1. Did you ever go to the Netherlands?	Yes, I did. / No, I didn't.
2. Do you know anything about the Netherlands? If yes, share your knowledge.	Yes, I do. The Netherlands is famous for windmills and tulips. (參考答案) / No, I don't.
3. Do you like cheese?	Yes, I do. / No, I don't.

Please fill in the blanks while you are reading the article.

### Alkmaar Cheese Market

What does it feel like to be in a world full of cheese? Visit the cheese markets in the Netherlands, and you will find out. There are cheese markets in many towns and villages, but the Alkmaar cheese market 1. is the most famous of all .

Every Friday morning from April to September, 2. Alkmaar holds a cheese market . The Dutch here show the traditional way of buying and selling cheese. 3. Farmers put their cheese on display in the main square . 4. They ring a bell to start the fun . Buyers test the cheese by knocking on it. 5. They also touch, smell, and eat it . To make a deal, 6. buyers and sellers clap each other's hands and shout out the price . After they agree on a price, 7. they shake hands with a smile .

Cheese lovers from all over the world come to the cheese market to watch the show. Next time, when you are in the Netherlands, 8. be sure to pay a visit to this market .

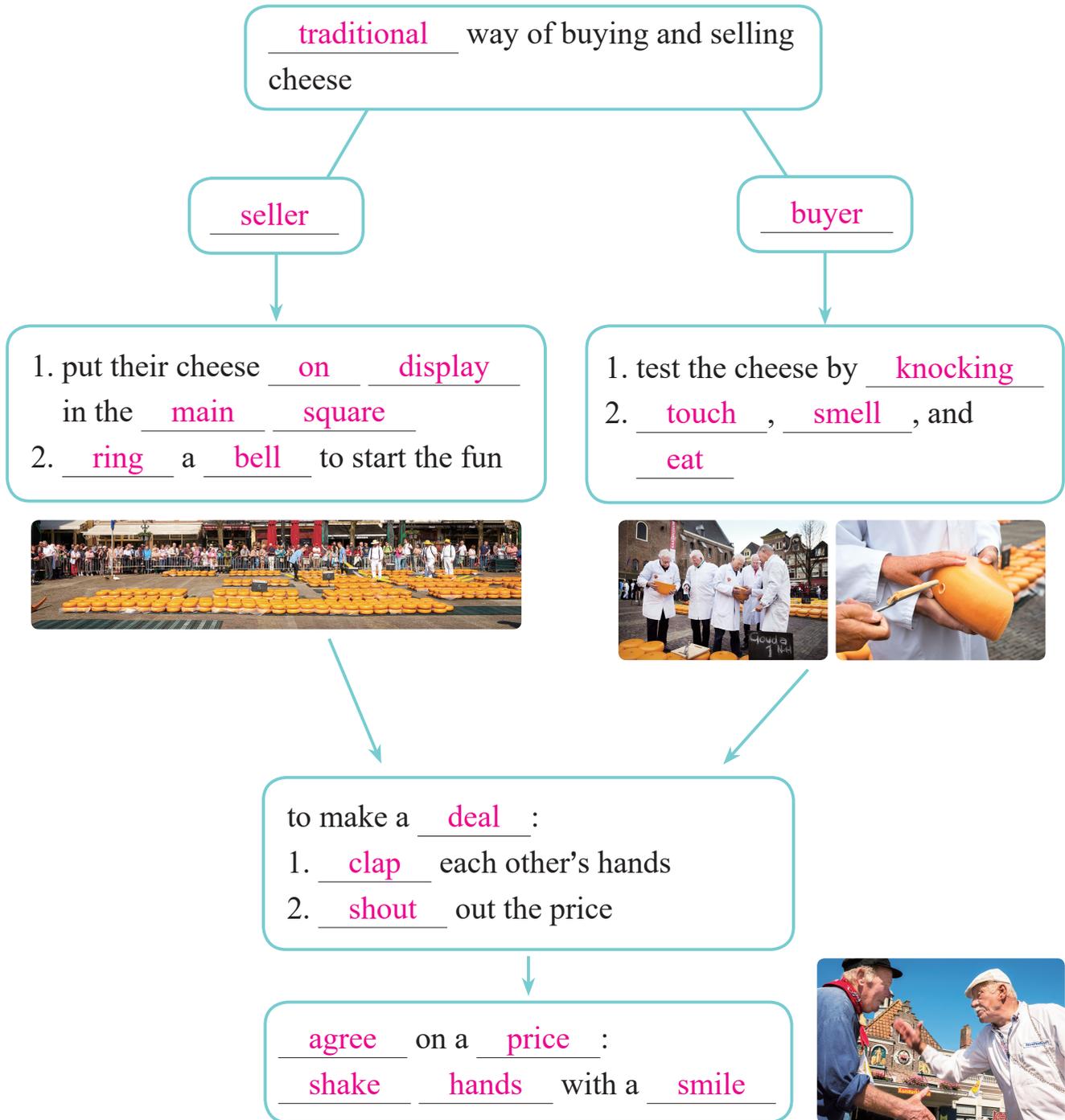
### 3 Reading Structure

Please fill in the blanks after you read.

## *The Alkmaar Cheese Market*

Where: the Netherlands

When: every Friday morning from April to September



## 4

## Post-reading Questions

Please answer the following questions after you read.

Questions	Answers
1. Of all the cheese markets in the Netherlands, which is the most famous?	The Alkmaar cheese market is the most famous of all.
2. When does Alkmaar hold a cheese market?	It holds a cheese market on Friday mornings from April to September.
3. What do the Dutch do at the Alkmaar cheese market?	They show the traditional way of buying and selling cheese.
4. How do buyers test the cheese?	They knock on it. They also touch, smell, and eat it.
5. What do buyers and sellers do when they make a deal?	They clap each other's hands and shout out the price.
6. What do buyers and sellers do after they agree on a price?	They shake hands with a smile.

# I Want to Live More Safely

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## 1 Warm-up Questions

Please answer the following questions before you listen.

Questions	Answers
1. Do you like to play at the beach?	Yes, I do. / No, I don't.
2. Did you ever take part in beach cleaning?	Yes, I did. / No, I didn't.
3. What can you do to make the beach a better place?	We can throw out our trash after we visit the beach. (參考答案)

## 2 While-listening Notes

Please fill in the blanks while you are listening to the dialogue.

(Tommy Turtle is swimming slowly in the sea. A young fish, Tina Tuna, is swimming straight at him. 1. She looks scared and is crying loudly.)

Tina Tuna: 2. My family, classmates and neighbors are gone. What can I do?

Tommy Turtle: What happened?

Tina Tuna: This morning, 3. a giant fishing boat took them away. The boat was very big. It almost blocked out the sun.

Tommy Turtle: Oh, no! How did you get away?

Tina Tuna: I swam the fastest, so the net didn't catch me.

Tommy Turtle: 4. That was lucky. What did you do after that?

Tina Tuna: 5. I hid behind a rock for a long while and waited quietly.

6. When the sun shone on my tail again, I looked around but couldn't find any fish. I was alone.

Tommy Turtle: 7. You are very brave, and you are not alone anymore. The sea is a big place. 8. Let's go find somewhere safer than here.

Tina Tuna: Thank you. From now on, 9. we must watch out for boats more carefully.

Tommy Turtle: Don't worry. 10. You can count on me. But don't swim too fast!

### 3 Dialogue Structure

Please fill in the blanks after you listen.

## Tina Tuna's Story

### Scene 1

event  
(What happened?)

1. A giant fishing boat almost blocked out the sun.
2. The boat took fish away.

result (結果)

Tina Tuna's family, classmates and neighbors are gone.

get away



1. Tina Tuna swam the fastest, so the net didn't catch her.
2. hid behind a rock for a while
3. waited quietly → The sun shone on her tail again. → couldn't find any fish

### Scene 2

Tina Tuna

1. was alone
2. looked scared and was crying loudly
3. was swimming straight at Tommy Turtle

Tina Tuna &  
Tommy Turtle

1. go find somewhere safer than here
2. must watch out for boats more carefully

## 4 Post-listening Questions

Please answer the following questions after you listen.

Questions	Answers
1. What is Tommy Turtle doing when he meets Tina Tuna?	He is swimming slowly in the sea. _____
2. Why is Tina Tuna crying loudly?	Her family, classmates and neighbors are gone. _____
3. How does Tina Tuna look when she meets Tommy Turtle?	She looks scared. _____
4. Why were Tina Tuna's family, classmates and neighbors gone?	A giant fishing boat took them away. _____
5. How did Tina Tuna get away?	She swam the fastest, so the net didn't catch her. _____
6. Where did Tina Tuna hide?	She hid behind a rock for a long while. _____

## 1 Pre-reading Questions

Please answer the following questions before you read.

Questions	Answers
1. Do you know how much trash there is in the ocean?	<u>Yes, I do. /</u> <u>No, I don't.</u>
2. Did you ever see stinky oil or wastewater in the ocean?	<u>Yes, I did. /</u> <u>No, I didn't.</u>
3. What would you like to do to help the animals in the ocean live more safely?	<u>I would like to leave some clean</u> <u>places for the animals. (參考答案)</u>

## 2 While-reading Notes

Please fill in the blanks while you are reading the article.

Dear humans,

I am Tina Tuna, a poor little fish in the ocean. 1. I have something very important to say . 2. The ocean used to be a beautiful home but now it is in danger . Please listen to us because we need your help right away.

We are dying. 3. Your noisy boats take our family and our friends away . Many are just kids. 4. They won't even have a chance to grow up . Also, the water gets dirtier and warmer every day. 5. Stinky oil and wastewater are everywhere . It is hard for us to breathe. What's more, there is so much trash in our home! 6. The colorful trash tricks our friends . They happily eat it, but soon they get sick and some even die.

Our home is in big trouble. We cannot wait any longer. We only ask for a chance to live more safely. 7. Please leave some clean places for us and stop killing us .

Sincerely,  
Tina Tuna

Please fill in the blanks after you read.



### The Ocean's Big Trouble

Noise Pollution  
(噪音污染)

1. Noisy  
boats take fish's  
family and  
friends away.



Many young fish won't  
have a chance to  
grow up.

Water Pollution  
(水污染)

1. The water gets  
dirtier and  
warmer.  
2. Stinky oil and  
wastewater are  
everywhere.



is hard for us to  
breathe.

Littering  
(廢棄物)

1. There is so much  
trash.  
2. Colorful trash  
tricks ocean  
animals.



They get sick and  
some even die.

Fish are dying.

#### 4 Post-reading Questions

Please answer the following questions after you read.

Questions	Answers
1. What is Tina Tuna?	She's a poor little fish in the ocean. _____
2. Why don't the little fish have a chance to grow up?	Humans' noisy boats take them away. _____
3. Why is it hard for fish to breathe?	Stinky oil and wastewater are everywhere. _____
4. What tricks fish?	The colorful trash does. _____
5. What does Tina Tuna ask for?	She asks for a chance to live more safely. _____
6. What can people do to help Tina Tuna?	Leave some clean places for fish and stop killing them. _____

# A Friend Bought Some Fruit for Us

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## 1 Warm-up Questions

Please answer the following questions before you listen.

Questions	Answers
1. Do you like to eat fruit?	Yes, I do. / No, I don't.
2. What fruits do you like to eat?	I like to eat apples and guavas. (參考答案)
3. How often do you eat fruit?	I eat fruit three times a week. (參考答案)

## 2 While-listening Notes

Please fill in the blanks while you are listening to the dialogue.

(Owen and Anna are from America. They are at a traditional market in Tainan. Carol, a Taiwanese woman, is also there.)

Owen: Excuse me, 1. do you speak English ?

Carol: 2. A little . What are you looking for?

Anna: We want to buy some mangoes. A friend bought some mangoes for us when we were here a few years ago.

Owen: They were so sweet. We will never forget the taste.

Carol: Mangoes are really good, but many fruits in Taiwan are as good as mangoes.

Anna: 3. What is in season now ?

Carol: 4. Watermelons are really popular right now . 5. You can also buy bananas , guavas , papayas , or peaches . Taiwan is really a fruit paradise.

Owen: 6. You're making my mouth water ! What makes Taiwan a fruit paradise?

Carol: 7. It's because of the good climate and skillful farmers .

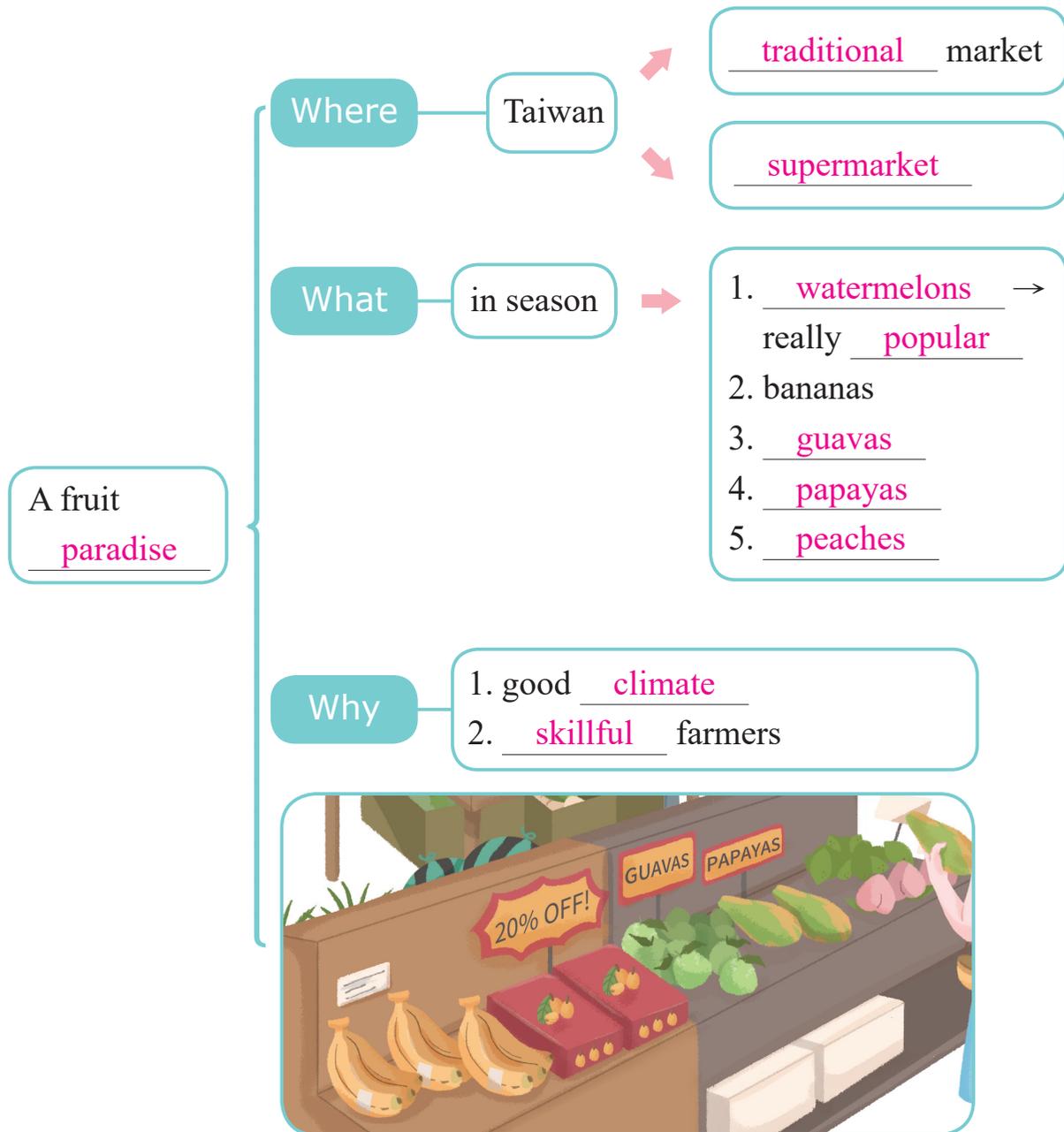
Anna: We want to try everything 8. before we go back to the USA .

Carol: Well, you can buy some fruits here or 9. at a supermarket around the corner .

Owen: Thank you. That's great! 10. We can't wait to try them !

### 3 Dialogue Structure

Please fill in the blanks after you listen.



#### 4 Post-listening Questions

Please answer the following questions after you listen.

Questions	Answers
1. Where are Owen and Anna?	<u>They are at a traditional market in Tainan.</u> _____
2. What do Owen and Anna want to buy?	<u>They want to buy some mangoes.</u> _____
3. How do Owen and Anna know about mangoes?	<u>A friend bought mangoes for them a few years ago.</u> _____
4. What fruit is really popular right now?	<u>Watermelons are really popular right now.</u> _____
5. What is in season now?	<u>Watermelons, bananas, guavas, papayas, and peaches are in season now.</u> _____
6. What makes Taiwan a fruit paradise?	<u>The good climate and skillful farmers do.</u> _____

## 1 Pre-reading Questions

Please answer the following questions before you read.

Questions	Answers
1. Do you like watermelons?	<u>Yes, I do. /</u> <u>No, I don't.</u>
2. When is watermelon in season?	<u>It is in summer.</u> <u>(參考答案)</u>
3. Do you know about the “Watermelon King”?	<u>Yes, I do. /</u> <u>No, I don't.</u>

## 2 While-reading Notes

Please fill in the blanks while you are reading the article.

### The Watermelon King

At any time of the year, you can find fresh fruit in Taiwan. 1. Taiwan's climate is excellent for growing fruit . Besides, skillful farmers help make fruit better. Chen Wen-yu, the “Watermelon King,” is a great example.

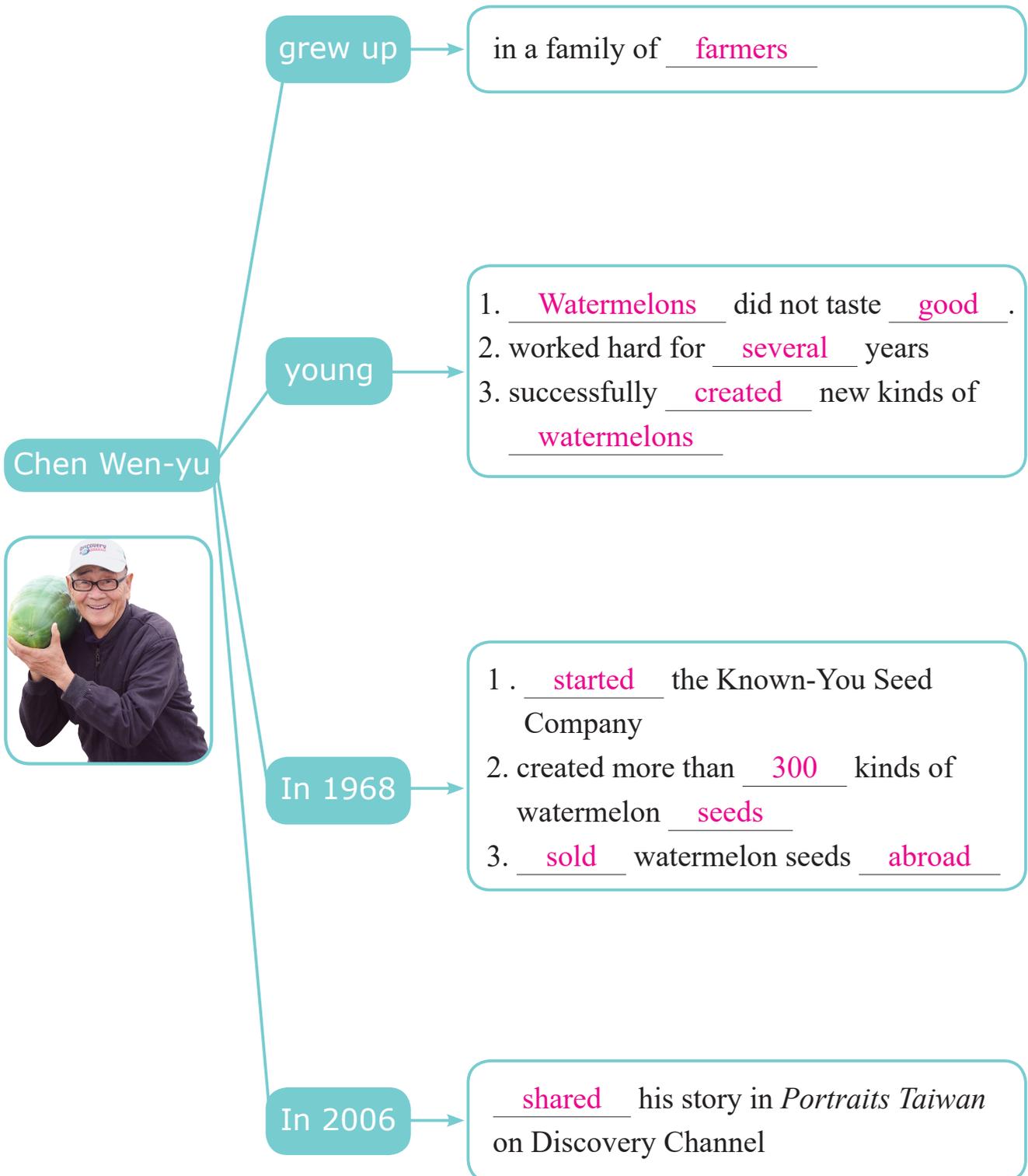
Chen Wen-yu grew up in a family of farmers. When he was young, watermelons did not taste good. He wanted to help farmers grow better watermelons. 2. He worked hard for several years and 3. successfully created new kinds of delicious watermelons .

In 1968, Mr. Chen started the Known-You Seed Company to improve watermelons and farmers' lives. 4. As a successful leader , 5. he helped the company create more than 300 kinds of watermelon seeds and 6. sell them abroad . Thanks to his hard work, lots of watermelon seeds in the world came from his company. In 2006, he shared his story in *Portraits Taiwan* on Discovery Channel.

Mr. Chen's work with watermelons made him the “Watermelon King.” In Taiwan, 7. there are still many hard-working farmers like him . Their efforts truly make the island a fruit paradise.

Please fill in the blanks after you read.

## The Watermelon King



## 4 Post-reading Questions

Please answer the following questions after you read.

Questions	Answers
1. What is Taiwan's climate excellent for?	It's excellent for growing fruit. _____
2. How did watermelons taste when Chen Wen-yu was young?	They didn't taste good at that time. _____
3. When did Chen Wen-yu start the Known-You Seed Company?	He started it in 1968. _____
4. Why did Chen Wen-yu start the Known-You Seed Company?	He did it to improve watermelons and farmer's lives. _____
5. How many kinds of watermelon seeds did Chen Wen-yu help the company to create?	He helped the company to create more than 300 kinds of watermelon seeds. _____
6. What made Chen Wen-yu the "Watermelon King"?	His work with watermelons made him the "Watermelon King." _____

# Some of the Most Useful Ideas Come from Nature

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## 1 Warm-up Questions

Please answer the following questions before you listen.

Questions	Answers
1. Did you ever go to a science museum?	Yes, I did. / (參考答案) No, I didn't. (參考答案)
2. Did you ever hear transportation noises?	Yes, I did. / (參考答案) No, I didn't. (參考答案)
3. Do you know the relationship between the bullet train and the Taiwan High Speed Rail?	Yes, I do. / (參考答案) No, I don't. (參考答案)

## 2 While-listening Notes

Please fill in the blanks while you are listening to the dialogue.

(Ben, David, and Sally are at the science museum.)

Ben: 1. What's that strange sound ?

David: Look, it's from the train on TV.

Sally: It's 2. going through a tunnel now and making a lot of noise.

Ben: There is another train on the other TV. It's not noisy at all.

Sally: 3. Both of the trains are fast . Why is the blue one quieter?

David: I don't know. Can we ask someone here?

Ben: 4. I don't see anyone . 5. Maybe we can find the answer by ourselves.

Look, 6. there is a sign .

David: OK. Let's read it .... "7. People use the shape of animals' bodies to make useful things . The bullet train in Japan is a good example."

Sally: What did they do?

Ben: People didn't like those noisy trains, 8. so they changed their design .

David: 9. They copied the shape of a bird's long beak and 10. gave those trains a new head. Now the trains are less noisy.

Ben: The special shape also helps the trains run faster than before.

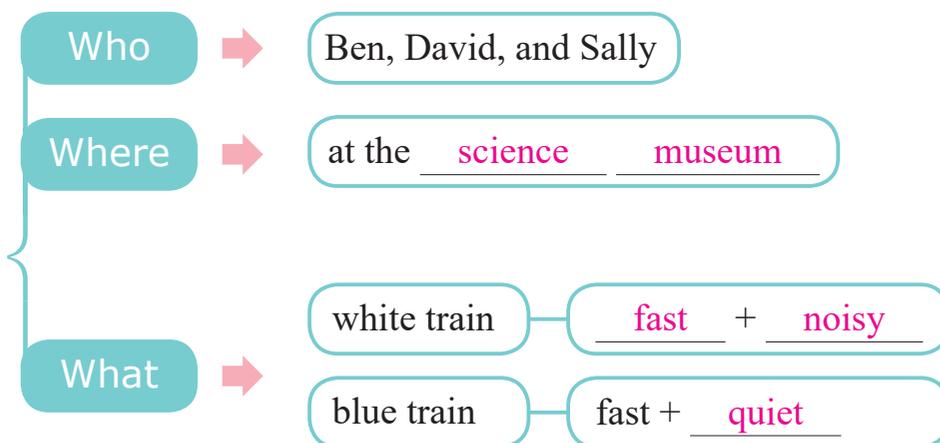
Sally: Really? That's so cool.

David: The sign also says, "The Taiwan High Speed Rail train copies the design of the bullet train."

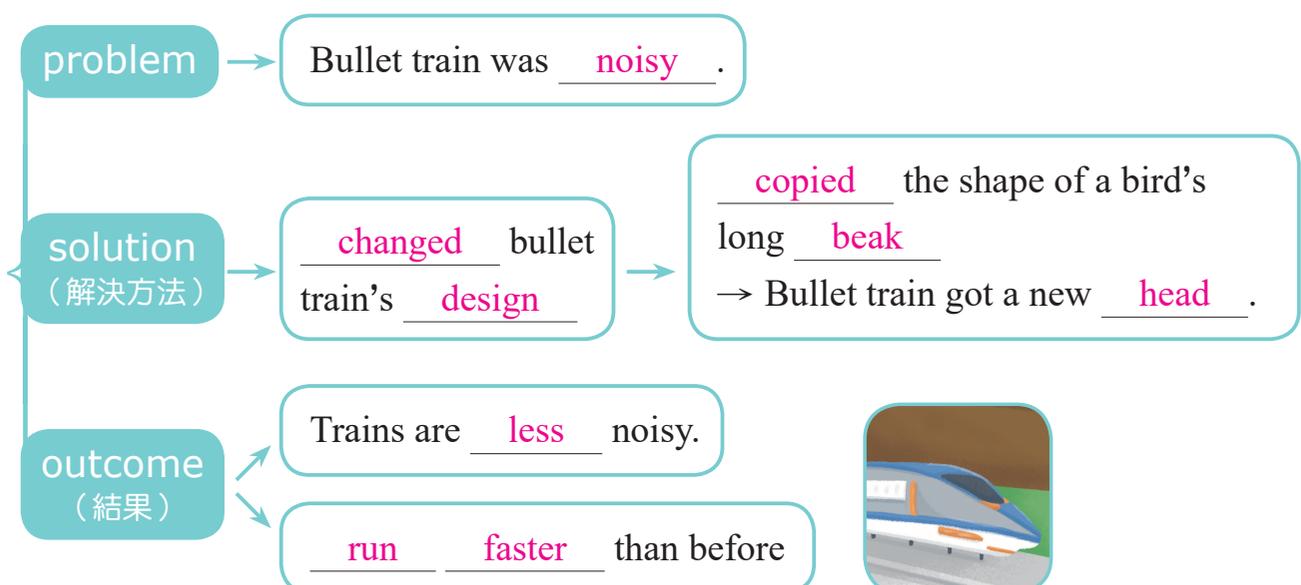
Sally: Wow, I learned so much today.

### 3 Dialogue Structure

Please fill in the blanks after you listen.



### Japan's example



#### 4 Post-listening Questions

Please answer the following questions after you listen.

Questions	Answers
1. Where are Ben, David, and Sally?	<u>They are at the science museum.</u> _____
2. What do people copy to make useful things?	<u>They copy the shape of animals' bodies.</u> _____
3. In Japan, what did people do to make trains less noisy?	<u>They changed their design.</u> _____
4. How did they give those trains a new head?	<u>They copied the shape of a bird's long beak.</u> _____
5. What happened after they gave those trains a new head?	<u>The trains became less noisy and also ran faster than before.</u> _____
6. What did the Taiwan High Speed Rail train copy?	<u>It copied the design of the bullet train in Japan.</u> _____

## 1 Pre-reading Questions

Please answer the following questions before you read.

Questions	Answers
1. Do sharks swim fast?	<u>Yes, they do. / (參考答案)</u> <u>No, they don't. (參考答案)</u>
2. Do you know the word "biomimicry"?	<u>Yes, I do. / (參考答案)</u> <u>No, I don't. (參考答案)</u>
3. What can people learn from to make their lives better?	<u>People can learn from nature to make their lives better. (參考答案)</u>

## 2 While-reading Notes

Please fill in the blanks while you are reading the article.

### What is Biomimicry?

The word *biomimicry* comes from "bio" and "mimic." "Bio" means "life" and "mimic" means "to copy." Biomimicry is about copying from animals and plants.

1. People learn from nature and create useful things to make their lives better.

The shark is a great example. It swims faster than other fish. People studied shark skin and found many small scales on it. 2. These scales look like teeth and 3. cover the shark from tip to tail. The shape of the scales helps the shark move through the water more easily and faster. 4. People borrowed this idea to create a new swimsuit. With one of these swimsuits, people can swim much faster.

5. Nature is the best teacher. The next time you are playing in a park or walking in a forest, ask yourself, "6. What can I learn from nature today?"

## 3

## Reading Structure

Please fill in the blanks after you read.

## Biomimicry

Origin (起源) :

1. "Bio" means "life."
2. "Mimic" means "to copy."

Function (功能) :

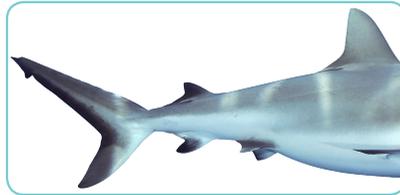
copying from animals and plants

Application (應用) :

1. People learn from nature .
2. create useful things

to make their lives  
better

Great example: shark



Where: on shark skin

## Scales

Range (範圍) :

cover the shark from tip to tail

Shape:

1. look like teeth
2. help the shark move through the water more  
easily and faster

→ From this idea, people created a new swimsuit .

## 4 Post-reading Questions

Please answer the following questions after you read.

Questions	Answers
1. What do “bio” and “mimic” mean?	“Bio” means “life” and “mimic” means “to copy.”
2. Why do people learn from nature?	They want to create useful things to make their lives better.
3. What swims faster than other fish?	The shark swims faster than other fish.
4. What do the shark scales look like?	They look like teeth.
5. How does the shape of the scales help the shark?	It helps the shark move through the water more easily and faster.
6. What can people do with these new swimsuits?	With these new swimsuits, they can swim much faster.

# If the Ravens Leave the Tower, the Kingdom Will Fall

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## 1 Warm-up Questions

Please answer the following questions before you listen.

Questions	Answers
1. When did you go on a trip last time?	<u>I went on a trip last July.</u> (參考答案)
2. What did you buy during your last trip?	<u>I bought some postcards and snacks.</u> (參考答案)
3. Did you ever see a crow?	<u>Yes, I did. /</u> <u>No, I didn't.</u>

## 2 While-listening Notes

Please fill in the blanks while you are listening to the dialogue.

(Tony meets his classmate Zoe after school.)

Tony: What are you holding, Zoe?

Zoe: A key chain. 1. I bought it when I was in the UK during winter vacation.  
Here, take a look.

Tony: Is that black bird a crow?

Zoe: Actually, it's a raven. 2. Although crows and ravens belong to the same family, they're different birds.

Tony: I see, but they are pretty much the same. Many people see crows as bad luck. What about ravens? What do the British think of them?

Zoe: 3. Ravens are important in UK history. When I visited the Tower of London, 4. I saw a man in uniform taking care of the Tower's ravens.

Tony: 5. That sounds interesting. Tell me more about it.

Zoe: 6. The man also gives tours to the public three times a day. 7. If you take the tour, you'll learn more about the ravens and the Tower.

Tony: Like what?

Zoe: For example, the history of the Tower and the ravens' names. 8. Perhaps  
even some ghost stories !

Tony: Cool! I love ghost stories. I'm all ears.

### 3 Dialogue Structure

Please fill in the blanks after you listen.

## Ravens VS Crows



Species  
(種類)

1. belong to the same family
2. They're different birds .

Opinion  
(看法)

many people

see crows as bad luck

the British

In UK history :  
Ravens are important .



A man in the Tower of London:

1. in uniform
2. takes care of the Tower's ravens
3. gives tours to the  
public three times a day

Tours give you:

1. the history of the tower
2. the ravens' names
3. some ghost stories

#### 4 Post-listening Questions

Please answer the following questions after you listen.

Questions	Answers
1. What is Zoe holding in her hand?	It's a key chain. _____
2. According to Q1, when did Zoe buy it?	She bought it when she was in the UK during winter vacation. _____
3. What do many people think of crows?	They see crows as bad luck. _____
4. What do the British think of ravens?	They are important in UK history. _____
5. What did Zoe see a man in uniform doing when she visited the Tower of London?	She saw him taking care of the Tower's ravens. _____
6. What does the man in uniform do three times a day?	He gives tours to the public three times a day. _____

## 1 Pre-reading Questions

Please answer the following questions before you read.

Questions	Answers
1. What is the most interesting job in the world?	<u>The most interesting job in the world is video game designer. ( 參考答案 )</u>
2. Did you ever hear about the Ravenmaster?	<u>Yes, I did. /</u> <u>No, I didn't.</u>
3. Did you ever hear the legend about the Tower's ravens?	<u>Yes, I did. /</u> <u>No, I didn't.</u>

## 2 While-reading Notes

Please fill in the blanks while you are reading the article.

### The Ravenmaster

For many people around the world, 1. ravens are dark , 2. ugly and bring bad luck . However, the British think differently. Three hundred years ago, there was a popular legend about ravens. "If the ravens leave the Tower of London, the kingdom will fall." Because of this legend, King Charles II ordered his people to always keep ravens in the Tower. Today, 3. the British are still following the king's order .

There are seven ravens at the Tower now. They have a full-time keeper, the Ravenmaster. Becoming the Ravenmaster is not easy. 4. It often takes quite a few years of training . After that, 5. he works hard every day to keep the ravens healthy . 6. Keeping them away from danger is part of his job . Thanks to the Ravenmaster, these birds are safe and sound. 7. Visitors are able to see them on the ground , 8. the stairs or high walls .

The Ravenmaster plays an important part in the UK. 9. He is the protector of this British tradition . 10. Although the job is very difficult and takes much effort , it is a great honor to be a Ravenmaster.

### 3 Reading Structure

Please fill in the blanks after you read.

#### Ravens in the UK



Color: dark, ugly

Where: on the ground, the stairs or high walls

Quantity (數量): seven

Non-UK superstition (迷信): bring bad luck

UK legend: "If the ravens leave the Tower of London, the kingdom will fall."



#### UK Ravenmaster

#### Training

1. is not easy + very difficult + takes much effort
2. takes quite a few years of training

#### Job

1. keep the ravens healthy
2. keep the ravens away from danger  
→ The ravens are safe and sound.

#### Role (角色)

1. a full-time keeper for ravens
2. the protector of this British tradition

#### 4 Post-reading Questions

Please answer the following questions after you read.

Questions	Answers
1. What is the legend about ravens?	“If the ravens leave the Tower of London, the kingdom will fall.”
2. What did King Charles II do because of the legend?	He ordered his people to always keep ravens in the Tower.
3. Who takes care of the seven ravens at the Tower now?	A full-time keeper, the Ravenmaster.
4. Why does the Ravenmaster work hard every day?	He works hard every day to keep the ravens healthy.
5. Where are visitors able to see the ravens?	They are able to see them on the ground, the stairs or high walls.
6. What’s the role of the Ravenmaster?	He is the protector of the British tradition.