

How Do I Use This Book?

38 **Everwood Science Fair**

Come one, come all to the fourth annual Everwood High School Science Fair

Date/Time: May 29th, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Place: Everwood High School Gym

It's that time of year again! Dust off your test tubes and wash your lab coats because the best and brightest of Everwood are **facing off**. This year's topic will be "the planet's next big energy source." First place will win a brand new microscope and a month off from school (not!). The **runner-up** will take home a NTD,000 gift card for the Everwood Mall.

Rules:

- 1) Each entry must be on a white poster with large block letters for the project title.
- 2) Students can paste writing and pictures to their posters.
- 3) Each entry must have a written introduction explaining what the project is and why it's important.
- 4) Each entry must be based on a science experiment that the student did on his or her own.
- 5) Students can display props other than their posters so long as they have to do with their science experiments.
- 6) Parents are not allowed to help in any way.

41 **The Two Sides of "Checking In" on Facebook**

The rise of smartphones and Facebook has changed the way that we connect. It has also changed the way we connect. We've created a feeling of being "checked in" on Facebook.

Source: What's the big deal about checking in? People love it.

Adv: There's a lot that's great about it. It allows people to share their daily **ventures and goings** with friends and family. It also allows local businesses to advertise with every check-in. But this all comes at a cost to those of privacy.

Source: There, even, we've heard that all before. Do you even realize that you can change your Facebook settings and control who sees your check-ins?

Adv: That's not the problem. The more worrying matter is how Facebook and these other online companies can collect your information. If that information includes where you eat, sleep, and shop, then it's very important. You may trust Facebook, but it can and will sell this information to a third party that you don't trust.

44 **Earth Day**

We have the planet every year, but what exactly is Earth Day?

It's an annual event held on April 22nd to raise awareness on the environment and how humans interact with it. The day was first celebrated in 1970, and it has since become a day for people to learn about the importance of conservation. For the next 50 years the event was almost forgotten, but it came back in a big way.

Earth Day 2020 at San Diego City College in San Diego, California

Questions:

1. What is the writer trying to teach readers about?
 - a. Conservation
 - b. The importance of conservation
 - c. Landmark Design
 - d. The history of Earth Day
2. When was the first Earth Day observed?
 - a. In 1870
 - b. In 1970
 - c. In 1980
 - d. In 2000
3. Where did Earth Day start?
 - a. In 141 countries
 - b. In 183 countries
 - c. In the United States
 - d. In the United Kingdom

The **topics** are fun, diverse, and related to the readers' everyday lives: Teens, Sports, Nature, Arts & Literature, Social Behavior, Fun Facts, and Health & Body, to name but a few. These varied topics not only attract the readers' attention but also lead to the acquisition of different kinds of knowledge.

4 **Get Home Safe**

Hi, Mom! Can I go to Julie's house after school? She said a new house and I want to see it.

Not today, my dear. I don't want you walking home in the dark.

Can't be an old school, Mom. I can walk home in the dark.

Not a chance!

But Mommy's parents let her stay out until 9 p.m.

Then come in with Mommy's parents. I'm sure they won't mind.

Please, just this once! I promise I'll do the dishes for a week.

What about that presentation for Mr. Smith's class? You know, the one about the causes of World War II.

I forgot that up two weeks ago.

23 **Bike Rentals**

Thank you for your interest in the bike system! Use your rental card to rent a bike and then **drop it off** at any of our stations around the city. **Use this form** to place your card on the reader below. If there's a problem, please see the instructions below.

Error Code	Message	How to Fix
0	Cannot read your card.	Try again. If there is still a problem, try another card.
1	Card has not been registered.	Please register your card at the nearest bike computer station.
2	Card is already in use.	Someone else is using this card at the moment. Please wait a few minutes and try again.
3	Card's balance is not sufficient.	There is not enough money on your card. Please add money and try again.
4	Card doesn't match.	The card used to rent the bike and the one used to return it don't match. Use the other card.
5	Machine is unavailable.	The bike system is down at the moment. Please wait and try again in a few minutes. Sorry for the inconvenience.

The **texts** come in many different forms: passages, forums, questionnaires, brochures, posters, websites, advertisements, and more, providing students with an array of authentic reading experiences.

32 **FOUND**

Lost and Found Notice

DID YOU LOSE SOMETHING?

First of all, thank you to everyone who attended the school Christmas party last night! We hope you all had a great time. Some of you, though, were having such a great time that you forgot some of your stuff!

During clean-up, the cleaning team found the following items in and around the school gym:

- A brown leather jacket
- A black baseball cap with an orange star on the front
- A set of keys on a pink teddy-bear keychain
- A subway travel card in a "Hello Kitty" card holder
- One small silver earring, shaped like a heart
- A thin black necktie

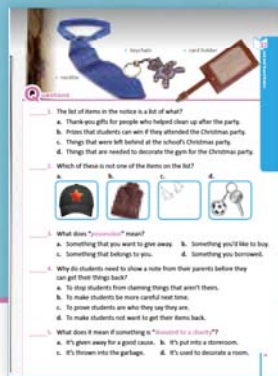
If one or more of these items belongs to you, please see Mrs. Jenkins, the school secretary, in the school office in Building D.

IMPORTANT

To reclaim your possessions, please bring a signed note from one of your parents to confirm that the item belongs to you.

If after 10 days no one has claimed a particular item, it will be donated to a charity for homeless children.

Thank you for your attention,
The Christmas Party Committee





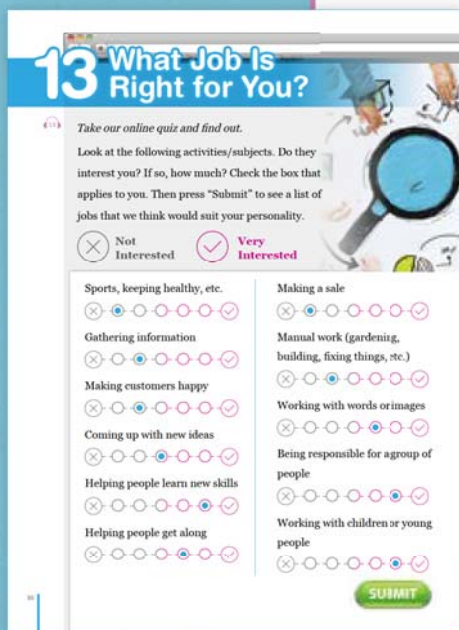
» hunter

» queen

» Blurry disc

Questions

1. What is the purpose of the reading?
 - a. 'to let you know Ice Queen is a family movie.
 - b. 'to tell you what Jerry Bright thought about the movie.
 - c. 'to tell you about the movie's ending.
 - d. 'to get you interested in the movie.
2. Which of the following is said about Lapuland?
 - a. It's ruled by a handsome king.
 - b. It's always winter there.
 - c. Only bears live there.
 - d. It's by the seaside.
3. What does the phrase "Fun for adults and children alike" mean?
 - a. Everyone will enjoy this movie, no matter how old he or she is.
 - b. Only adults will enjoy this movie; children won't like it.
 - c. This movie is fun for children, but not for adults.
 - d. Neither adults nor children will like this movie.
4. Who is the main character in the movie?
 - a. The Ice Queen.
 - b. Biglaf.
 - c. Annabelle.
 - d. Mitten.
5. What can we guess about the Ice Queen?
 - a. she's not human.
 - b. she's the hero of the story.
 - c. she's the evil character in the movie.
 - d. she's Annabelle's mother.



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1 A Day at the Movies



My friends and I want to go see a movie today.

We picked up a newspaper at the convenience store. The movie times are at the back. Let's see what's showing today.



Movie Guide

A Good Day to Fight

Big Screen	10:10 12:40 14:40 17:10 19:10 21:40
Lights Out	09:30 12:20 14:35 19:15 23:25
LUX Cinema	10:00 12:15 13:15 14:35 16:50 17:50 19:05 20:05 21:20
New Theater	10:20 12:30 14:30 17:10
Showtime (High Street)	11:20 13:20 15:15 16:40 18:20 21:30 22:50
Showtime (Main Street)	11:20 13:40 15:50 18:10 20:20 22:40

Men of War

Big Screen	14:35 16:50 17:50
Lights Out	12:20 17:15

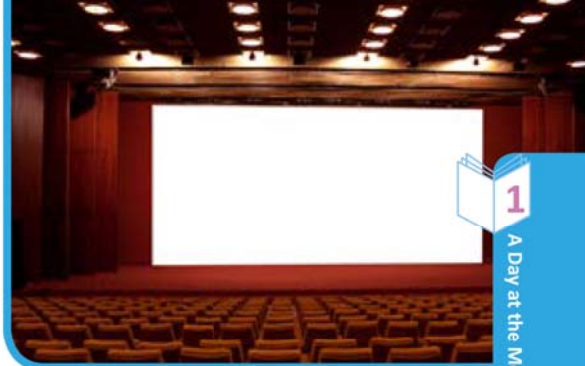
Last Look

New Theater	10:20 12:30 14:30 17:00 19:00 21:15
Showtime (High Street)	12:30 14:30 17:10 20:30 22:40



Questions

1. What does the movie guide tell readers?
 - a. How good each movie is.
 - b. When and where the movies will play.
 - c. Who the main stars of each movie are.
 - d. How much each movie cost to make.
2. Which movie is showing most often today?
 - a. *Men of War*.
 - b. *Ghost in the Dark*.
 - c. *A Good Day to Fight*.
 - d. *Space Race 3*.



<< popcorn

>> audience

>> movie theater

The Future Is Now

Lights Out	10:00 12:15 13:15 14:35 19:10 21:15
LUX Cinema	11:20 13:40 15:50 18:10 20:20 22:40
New Theater	14:35 16:50 17:50 21:40

Space Race 3

Lights Out	12:20 14:50 17:30 19:10
LUX Cinema	13:45 17:50 19:30 21:15
New Theater	10:00 12:15 13:15 14:35 17:10 21:15
Showtime (High Street)	12:30 15:30 17:30 21:30 23:30
Showtime (Main Street)	12:20 14:10 17:15 20:40 22:10

Ghost in the Dark

>> movie tickets

Big Screen	12:00
LUX Cinema	13:30
New Theater	14:40
Showtime (Main Street)	10:00

>> convenience store



3. Which of the following is not a movie theater?
- a. Last Look. b. Showtime.
c. Big Screen. d. Lights Out.

4. It's 12:30 p.m. When's the next showing of *The Future Is Now* ?
- a. 1:15 p.m. b. 1:00 p.m. c. 2:35 p.m. d. 12:40 p.m.

5. What's the latest time my friends and I can see *Ghost in the Dark* today?
- a. 1:30 p.m. b. 3:15 p.m. c. 4:40 p.m. d. 2:40 p.m.

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What Makes a Good Friend?



Dina: I still can't believe Tara would date my ex-boyfriend so soon after we broke up.

Lisa: I can. She's always been a selfish person who only cares about herself. To be honest, I don't understand why you are friends with her. She doesn't care about your happiness at all.

Dina: Wow. You sound just like my mother. She's always telling me that good friends care about your happiness as much as their own.

Lisa: Well, she's right. Also, **you two really don't have anything in common**. You're a good student who wants to be successful . . .

Dina: . . . and she would rather spend her time shopping and thinking about boys.

Lisa: Remember that time she convinced you to help her find the perfect new dress when you should have been studying?

Dina: I sure do. I failed that test and I was so upset with myself.

Lisa: See? She doesn't care about your needs in the least. If I were you, I would end the friendship.

Dina: You're right. It's not a healthy friendship. I need more people like you in my life. Thanks for being honest.

Lisa: That's what good friends do!

Questions

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What Makes a Good Friend?



friendship

1. What could be another title for this reading?
 - a. How to Find True Happiness
 - b. What Is a Healthy Friendship?
 - c. Why Are People So Selfish?
 - d. Studying for Success
2. Why does Dina need more people like Lisa in her life?
 - a. Lisa likes helping people study.
 - b. Dina doesn't have many friends.
 - c. It's important to have selfish friends.
 - d. Lisa cares about Dina's happiness.
3. What does "**you two really don't have anything in common**" mean in this reading?
 - a. Tara and Dina don't really like each other.
 - b. Tara and Dina don't live in the same area.
 - c. Tara and Dina have different interests.
 - d. Tara and Dina have different sets of friends.
4. Which two people have told Dina that Tara is selfish?
 - a. Tara and Dina's other friend.
 - b. Lisa and Tara.
 - c. Tara and Dina's mom.
 - d. Dina's mom and Lisa.
5. Why was Dina upset with herself?
 - a. She broke up with her boyfriend.
 - b. She didn't prepare for a test.
 - c. She couldn't find the perfect dress.
 - d. She didn't listen to her mother.

3 English Forum



Maria132

At 14:15, Maria132 wrote:

Hi everyone,

My English teacher gave me this question for homework,
but I don't know the answer. Can someone help me?

On Mondays, I'm usually at work **until/since** 7 p.m.

Which one is correct? Please help!

Thanks.

Maria



RedHarry67

At 14:30, RedHarry67 replied:

The correct answer is **until**. Use **since** to say when something
that's still happening now began

(e.g., *I'm at work now. I've been working **since** 7 a.m.*).

Use **until** to say when something ends

(e.g., *I start work at 7 a.m., and I don't finish **until** 7 p.m.*).

I hope that helps!

Harry



KipJones21

At 14:42, KipJones21 replied:

You should be able to work out the answer from the tense of the sentence.

With **since**, we usually use the present perfect (have/has + past participle) or present perfect continuous (have/has been + -ing).

If the sentence was "I have been at work **until/since** 7 p.m.,"

then the right answer would be **since**. But in your sentence you're talking about regular action using the simple present tense ("I'm usually at work . . ."), so **since** isn't possible.

Kip



Maria132

At 14:50, Maria132 replied:

Thanks Kip and Harry for your help!

It's much clearer now! :)

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English Forum

Questions

1. What is Maria trying to find?
 - a. A person with whom she can practice her English.
 - b. Someone to teach her business English.
 - c. The answer to an English grammar question.
 - d. A job in an English school.
2. What does Kip say about “since” ?
 - a. It's usually used with the present perfect tense.
 - b. It's used to talk about regular action.
 - c. It's used to say when something ends.
 - d. It's used with the simple present tense.
3. What does Maria mean when she says, “It's much clearer now” ?
 - a. She's confused.
 - b. She needs time to think.
 - c. She wants to start over.
 - d. She understands.
4. Which of these is probably true about Maria?
 - a. She can speak English at an advanced level.
 - b. Harry is her English teacher.
 - c. English is not her first language.
 - d. They don't teach English at her school.
5. What does “e.g.” most likely mean?
 - a. And others.
 - b. For example.
 - c. In other words.
 - d. Compare.

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