



Pre-reading

S When a question asks **when or where** an incident happened or will happen, it is important to:

1. circle any **keywords** in the question (e.g. *names, pronouns, time or places*)
2. look for any **information about time and places** in the text
3. read the **previous and following sentences** to find clues
4. **cross out incorrect options first** and then choose the correct option

e.g.

7th May, 20XX (Saturday)

Sunny ☀

I went to the supermarket this afternoon and bought a can of beans. I ate it when I got home. After a few hours, I felt a great pain in my stomach and was sent to hospital. The can of beans actually expired two days ago.

When is the expiry date of the can of beans?

- (A) 5th May B. 6th May C. 7th May D. 8th May

The expiry date is **two days before 7th May**, i.e. 5th May.

Warm Up

Read the text carefully and choose the best answers for Questions 1-4.

(8 marks @ 2 marks)

1.

3rd March Monday
Cloudy and a little rain in the evening. Better stay at home.

4th March Tuesday
A strong typhoon is coming. Stay at a safe place and close the windows.

5th March Wednesday
Less windy but still heavy rain. It's nice to watch a film at home.

6th March Thursday
Partly sunny and warm. Put on your sportswear for outdoor activities.

Martin did not have school today because of bad weather. Which might probably be the date today?

- A. 3rd March B. 4th March
C. 5th March D. 6th March

2.

Reading Club Notice

5th June

The library is closed for repair today. Our activity is going to be held at the function room A. It is next to the art room on the 6/F. Also, please use the toilets on the 5/F. The ones on the 6/F will be closed for cleaning at that time.

Ray is a member of the Reading Club. Where should he go for today's activity?

- A. The library
- B. The function room A
- C. The art room
- D. The toilets

3.

Sports Weekly Newsletter

6th Sep, 20XX

Sunshine Summer Camp is for all sports fans. On the first day, we will learn to play baseball. Not many people in Hong Kong know how to play it but it is fun. On the second day, we will do rock climbing. On the last day, we will go swimming. You will have great fun here.

When can William read the next issue of the newsletter?

- A. 6th September
- B. 10th September
- C. 13th September
- D. 16th September



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issue: one of a regular series of printed materials

4.

Lost Suitcase

I left my suitcase in the fourth compartment of the train travelling from Kingsdown to York on 22nd November. It is brown. If found, please call me at 7766 8899 or give it to the staff at Midstone Station.

Sam Lau

Where did Sam lose his suitcase?

- A. In a train compartment
- B. At Kingsdown Station
- C. At York Station
- D. At Midstone Station

Let's Practise

 10 min

Olivia wrote a diary entry about an unlucky day. Read it carefully and choose the best answers for Questions 1-4. (8 marks @ 2 marks)

26th March, 20XX (Sunday)

Rainy

Today was a very unlucky day. First, I got up late this morning and missed my favourite radio programme. I have to wait for a week for the next show! Then, I decided to go out with Dad. We first went to a bookstore. I wanted to buy the new book of my favourite author but it was sold out.

Then, Dad suggested going ice skating at the rink next to the bookstore. Unfortunately, the ice rink was under repair until the coming Thursday. We felt disappointed and left.

When we were on the way home, the sky suddenly turned dark and it rained heavily. We went home immediately but still got soaked. We were shocked because the weather was very nice yesterday. Mum was preparing lunch when we arrived home. I had a shower and helped prepare lunch. However, I broke Mum's favourite plate when I tried to take the spaghetti out from the oven. What an unlucky day!

S 1. Where might Olivia and her dad go in the morning?

- A. A sports centre
- B. A theme park
- C. A school
- D. A shopping mall



S 2. When will the ice rink open again?

- A. 27th March, 20XX
- B. 28th March, 20XX
- C. 29th March, 20XX
- D. 30th March, 20XX

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What was the date Olivia wrote the diary entry?



3. How might the weather be on 25th March?

- A. Cold and foggy
- B. Cold and rainy
- C. Warm and sunny
- D. Windy and rainy



4. Which of the following is **NOT** true?

- A. Olivia's dad wanted to go ice skating.
- B. Olivia's mum does not know how to cook.
- C. Olivia likes reading.
- D. Olivia listens to the radio.

