



## Pre-reading

**S** When a question requires filling in missing words, it is important to:

1. **read the cloze passage** to get the main idea
2. **decide the part of speech** of each missing word by reading the sentences before and after the blank
3. **look for the missing words** in the **relevant paragraphs**
4. note that the missing words **may or may not be found** in the passage

Circle any **keywords** and get the **main idea**.

e.g.

Hi John,

I know you hate mosquito bites. You should take a \_\_\_\_\_ bath after sweating in order to keep yourself clean. Also, it is better to wear long-sleeved shirts and \_\_\_\_\_ socks when you go hiking.

Ella

Then read the sentences about ‘mosquito bites’, ‘sweating’ and ‘hiking’.

## Warm Up

Read the text carefully and complete Questions 1-3. Use only **ONE** word for each blank. Make sure your answers are grammatically correct. (6 marks @ 2 marks)

1.

### Vision Loss

*Sally is a blind girl. She lost her sight from birth. Many people take pity on her but she thinks she is lucky. Do you want to know why? Watch the drama to find out more.*

Date : 6<sup>th</sup> - 9<sup>th</sup> Sep

Time : 8:00 pm - 9:30 pm

Ticket : \$120

Venue : City Hall (Near Central Station)



Joe is writing a message to his cousin, Macy. Help him complete the message.

Hi Macy,

Let's watch *Vision Loss* on 9<sup>th</sup> September, shall we? Most people think it's unlucky to be (i) \_\_\_\_\_ but Sally doesn't think so. If you are also interested in the film, I'll pay (ii) \_\_\_\_\_ dollars to buy us two tickets online.

Joe

2.

### Valentine's Day

February is the month of romance because Valentine's Day falls in this month. This romantic festival came from ancient Rome. There are many different ways to celebrate this special day. In Hong Kong, people usually buy presents, such as chocolates and flowers, for their loved ones.

Harry is doing a project about Valentine's Day. Help him finish the fact sheet.

#### Fact Sheet about Valentine's Day

**Date:** 14<sup>th</sup> February

**Place of Origin:** (i) \_\_\_\_\_

**Purpose:** celebrating romance

**Celebration in Hong Kong:** lovers give each other (ii) \_\_\_\_\_

3.

### New City Plaza—Sea of Fun

Are you ready to dive into happiness? Hong Kong's first giant ball pit has just opened! Get a free ticket with a receipt of your purchase over HK\$300 in New City Plaza.

☆ Opening hours : 11 am - 9 pm (16<sup>th</sup> - 31<sup>st</sup> July 20XX)

☆ Ticket counter : 2/F Information Centre

Newly  
opened

Alfred is writing an e-mail to his classmate, Mike. Help him complete the e-mail.

Hi Mike,

Do you still have the (i) \_\_\_\_\_ for the dinner last night? We can use it to get a free ticket for Hong Kong's first giant ball pit. We can buy one more ticket at the Information Centre on the (ii) \_\_\_\_\_ floor and go there together.

Best,

Alfred

#### CLASSROOM Tips



What does 'F' in line 5 stand for?

## Let's Practise

 10 min

Scarlett is reading an article about dim sum. Read it carefully, choose the best answers for Questions 1-4 and complete Question 5. (10 marks @ 2 marks)

### Dim Sum

Dim sum is a well-known Cantonese meal of small dishes. When you ask people from western countries about Cantonese cuisine, most of them will think of dim sum immediately. It originated in Guangdong Province and Hong Kong. People usually go to Chinese restaurants to enjoy dim sum and tea with family and friends.

In ancient China, people used to rest in tea houses during long journeys. They ate small pieces of food and drank tea to help digestion. Those small pieces of food were what we called dim sum today.

In the past, dim sum was mainly served as breakfast. As people did not want to have fried food in the morning, many kinds of dim sum were steamed dishes served in bamboo baskets, such as shrimp dumplings and barbecue pork buns. As dim sum became more common, many restaurants started to offer pan-fried and deep-fried dim sum like spring rolls and fried dumplings.

Nowadays, many Hong Kong people still enjoy eating dim sum. It has remained popular among generations. Besides traditional Chinese restaurants, some fast food shops serve dim sum as well. When tourists come to Hong Kong, tasting dim sum is always at the top of their to-do list.

1. In paragraph 1, what does 'well-known' mean?
- A. famous
  - B. expensive
  - C. very old
  - D. not tasty
2. In the past, many kinds of dim sum were steamed dishes because \_\_\_\_\_.
- A. people did not like fried dishes
  - B. steamed dishes tasted better
  - C. people did not want to have fried dishes in the morning
  - D. people thought that fried dishes cannot be served in bamboo baskets
3. In paragraph 4, 'to-do list' means a list of \_\_\_\_\_.
- A. the things you have done
  - B. your wishes
  - C. the presents you want to have
  - D. the things you want to do
4. Which of the following cooking methods is **NOT** mentioned in the article?
- A. Steaming
  - B. Baking
  - C. Pan-frying
  - D. Deep-frying

- S** 5. Scarlett is writing a message to her cousin, Sally, after reading the article. Read the article and help Scarlett complete the message. Use only **ONE** word for each blank. Make sure your answers are grammatically correct.

Hi Sally,

I just read an article about dim sum. It was only eaten as breakfast in the past so many types of dim sum were (i) \_\_\_\_\_.

(ii) \_\_\_\_\_ Chinese restaurant to have dim sum together!

Scarlett