



Pre-reading

S When a question asks about **the reason** for an action, it is important to:

1. circle any **keywords** in the options
2. look for the **relevant paragraphs** and read them once quickly
3. find **clues** in the relevant paragraphs
4. pay attention to the **cause-and-effect relationship**

e.g.

I am Jim. I liked to use handmade photo albums to keep my photos, but now I don't do that any more. Now I like to take photos with my digital camera. I can store all my new photos on the computer and keep a digital album. It is easier to look at the photos and share them with my friends.

Jim no longer uses handmade photo albums because _____.

- A. he is bored with making photo albums
- B. he keeps his photos on the computer
- C. he thinks it is cheaper to keep a digital album
- D. he does not want others to look at his photos

Jim no longer uses handmade photo albums, but he still takes photos and **keeps them in a digital album on the computer.**

Warm Up

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

(8 marks @ 2 marks)

1. More and more people have stomach ache nowadays. Many of them are busy with work so they do not eat well. They seldom eat meals at a fixed time every day and some even skip meals. Also, they tend to eat a lot of junk food. All of these habits are bad for the stomach.

Why do more and more people have stomach ache nowadays?

- A. They have bad eating habits.
- B. They like working more than eating.
- C. They eat too well.
- D. They eat regularly.

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Try to look for the sentence that concludes all the points.

2. The London Youth Orchestra will hold their first charity concert at the Hong Kong Cultural Centre next month. They aim to raise money for charity. They will have an interview with *ABB Press* after the concert. They will talk more about their objectives of holding such a meaningful activity.

What is the main reason for the London Youth Orchestra to come to Hong Kong?

- A. To give *ABB Press* an interview
- B. To visit the Hong Kong Cultural Centre
- C. To raise funds for people in need
- D. To explain why they are holding a charity concert

3. **True Light Centre's Orphanage Visit 20XX**

Love can change the lives of orphans. Join us to visit children in the orphanage to show them our love and care. We will play games and sing songs with them. We will also give them snacks and presents.

Date: 18th July

Time: 10 am - 4 pm

Place: Kwun Tong Orphanage

The main reason for holding Orphanage Visit 20XX is to _____.

- A. attract people to join True Light Centre
- B. tell orphans interesting stories
- C. help people know more about orphans
- D. encourage people to care about orphans

4. Where do you usually go when you want to buy fresh fruit and vegetables? You may think of 'wet markets' immediately. However, people with busy lifestyles prefer supermarkets. Although they sell products at higher prices, they are more convenient as they sell food and daily necessities under one roof.

People like to shop at supermarkets because _____.

- A. the environment of supermarkets is better
- B. they sell fresher fruit and vegetables
- C. they sell things at higher prices
- D. they save people's time shopping

Let's Practise

 8 min

Kelvin is reading an article about ice skating. Read it carefully and choose the best answers for Questions 1-5. (10 marks @ 2 marks)

ICE SKATING

Ice skating is a famous sport in which people glide on an ice surface. When people skate, they wear shoes with blades fixed to the bottom. It helps them move quickly on ice.

Some people believe that it was the Finnish who first started ice skating. They did that to save energy from walking on ice during long journeys. Then it became a popular sport around the world. At first, people only went outdoor skating in winter. Nowadays, it is more common for people to skate indoors.

Many people enjoy ice skating because it is exciting to slide on ice. They can feel the cool air at the same time. It does not require any particular skills to start ice skating. Therefore, beginners can also enjoy it. Ice skating can also burn lots of calories. **It** can improve your strength, balance and coordination.

In Hong Kong, a lot of people like ice skating because it is a form of **recreation** for them to enjoy with family and friends. They usually go to the ice skating rinks in shopping centres. There are ice skating lessons for children too! Are you interested in this sport?

S 1. Why do people wear shoes with blades when they go ice skating?

- A. They do not want to get hurt.
- B. They feel cool when ice skating.
- C. It helps them glide faster on ice.
- D. It can improve their strength.

S 2. Beginners can enjoy ice skating because _____.

- A. it is not expensive to learn
- B. there are ice skating lessons
- C. it is easy to learn
- D. they can learn it in winter

3. In paragraph 3, what does '**it**' refer to?

- A. Cool air
- B. Ice skating
- C. Calories
- D. Particular ice skating skills

4. In paragraph 4, what does '**recreation**' mean?

- A. Lesson at school
- B. Way to create new things
- C. Activity to do when you are free
- D. Competition with people around the world

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Read the first sentence of the last paragraph again.

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

- A. Children cannot learn ice skating.
- B. Ice skating started in Finland.
- C. People can keep fit by ice skating.
- D. There are ice skating rinks in malls.