

YES NO

Text Type: Comic strip
Suggested finishing time: 15 minsLet's think! 

1. Do you know any government mascots?
2. Which one do you like best and why?

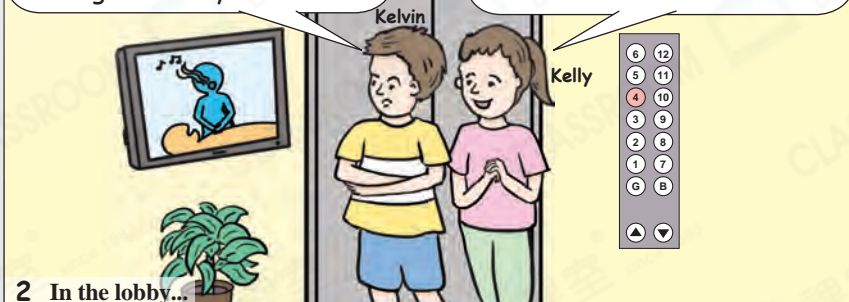
Right-hand, left-hand,
straight on the chest. Depth,
depth, a depth of 5 cm...



1

Eeew, what's so special about
this weirdo? It looks so
stupid to deliver a serious
message this way!

Haha! To be exact, this guy is
quirky, but he is also popular
now! All my friends are talking
about how hilarious he is!



2 In the lobby...

I just think it's not good to have him
represent a government department.



3

Don't you think his dance is
funny? He's just eye-catching
and his raps are just earworms!
The catchy lyrics that he raps
make the life-saving procedure
much easier to remember.

Upon their arriving home, Grandma
was found blacked out. Kelly, at the
drop of a hat, performed cardiopulmonary
resuscitation (CPR) on her as Kelvin called
for emergency services.



4

Wow! I can't believe we helped
save Grandma just now! Thanks
to Anyone! I owe him an
apology!

Speed, speed, a speed of
twice per second...



5

Yes, we did save Grandma!
Thanks to Anyone! He is a
stellar mentor!



6 In the ward...

Looking into Grammar

An intransitive verb does
not take an object after
it, but it can be followed
by prepositional phrases.

✗ He worked the project
(✓ on the project)
8 pm (✓ until 8 pm).

🔍 Circle an intransitive
verb in panel 2.

Part A Multiple Choice Questions

Answer the following questions based on the information provided in the comic strip. Choose the best answer by blackening the appropriate circle.

1. Kelvin at first thinks that Anyone's presentation is _____.

- A. witty
- B. fussy
- C. silly
- D. clumsy

2. In panel 2, Kelvin feels _____.

- A. outraged
- B. surprised
- C. confused
- D. disgusted

2 Skim for words with positive and negative connotations, especially adjectives, and identify the emotions carried.

3. Kelly's friends may think Anyone would not be this _____ if Anyone acted in a _____ way.

- A. popular...less atypical
- B. entertaining...less amusing
- C. eye-catching...conventional
- D. all of the above

4. The lyrics of the song are about _____.

- A. the mascot Anyone
- B. Hong Kong Fire Services Department
- C. an emergency procedure that may save lives
- D. where some organs are located

Strategy 5. The _____ tone in which Kelly expresses her views towards Anyone shows that, _____ Kelvin, she is _____ him.

- A. doubtful...similar to...uncertain of
- B. admiring...just like...confident of
- C. approving...unlike...fond of
- D. reproachful...different from...tired of

6. Who saves Kelvin and Kelly's grandma?

- A. Kelvin
- B. the ambulance officer
- C. Anyone
- D. all of the above

Strategy 7. Kelvin says he owes Anyone an apology because Anyone is _____ despite looking _____.

- A. serious...foolish
- B. quirky...friendly
- C. strange...handsome
- D. helpful...silly

7 Is there a change in Kelvin's attitude towards Anyone?

Moral

It is important for us not to be judgmental but open-minded, so that we may be receptive to possibilities and think outside the box.

'Be curious, not judgmental.'
Walt Whitman, American poet

More to Take Away

Hong Kong Fire Services Department's mascot 'Anyone' aims to promote knowledge of fire safety and first aid. Its faceless, sexless appearance with no identifiable features conveys an important message—anyone can help save lives.

 Self-evaluation Checklist

Please scan the QR code on P.6 to access the checklist for evaluating your own reading progress.

Part B Pre-HKDSE Questions

Answer the following questions based on the information provided in the comic strip. For question 3, answer in a complete sentence.

1. Determine whether each of the following statements is true, false, or undecidable because not enough information is given.

1 Pictures also give clues.

Statement	True	False	Not Given
(i) Anyone's appearance complies with public expectation.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
(ii) Kelly manages to perform cardiopulmonary resuscitation on Grandma immediately.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
(iii) Kelly has never performed first aid before.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
(iv) At last, both children think Anyone is a good teacher.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

2. Look for words in the comic strip to match the definitions below.

2 Pay attention to the parts of speech of the words.

- (i) _____ (*adj.*) unusual in an interesting way
 (ii) _____ (*adj.*) extremely funny
 (iii) _____ (*adj.*) pleasing and easy to remember
 (iv) _____ (*n.*) tunes that keep repeating in one's head

3. Why does Kelvin think that Anyone should not represent a government department?

-  4. In panel 3, Kelly says, 'Don't you think his dance is funny?' because she _____.

4 Skim through what Kelly says to get a sense of her views towards Anyone.

- A. is proud of Anyone's dance
 B. considers Anyone's dance entertaining and expects Kelvin to feel the same
 C. does not want Kelvin to tease Anyone for his dance
 D. cannot imagine why Kelvin does not consider Anyone's dance funny

-  5. The ambulance officer is _____ the children.

- A. encouraged by
 B. impatient with
 C. appreciative of
 D. offended by

Let's Discuss!

1. Do you think mascots are effective promotional tools?
 2. What makes mascots recognisable to the general public?

Part C Vocabulary Bank

Label the pictures of the mascots below with the government departments they represent from the word box.

Hong Kong Observatory

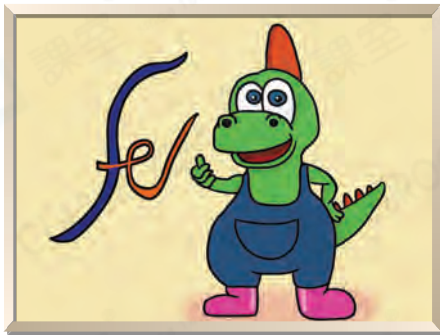
Water Supplies Department

Food and Environmental Hygiene Department

Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department

Department of Health

Fire Services Department



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