

Information Transfer

PRACTICE 1

Read the text below and answer questions 1 to 8.

Smoking poses a deadly threat to the well-being of our society. Research shows that 1 person dies from tobacco use every 6.5 seconds. Smokers usually pick up the habit in their teens and continue smoking for decades. They are likely to die 20 to 25 years earlier than non-smokers as a result.

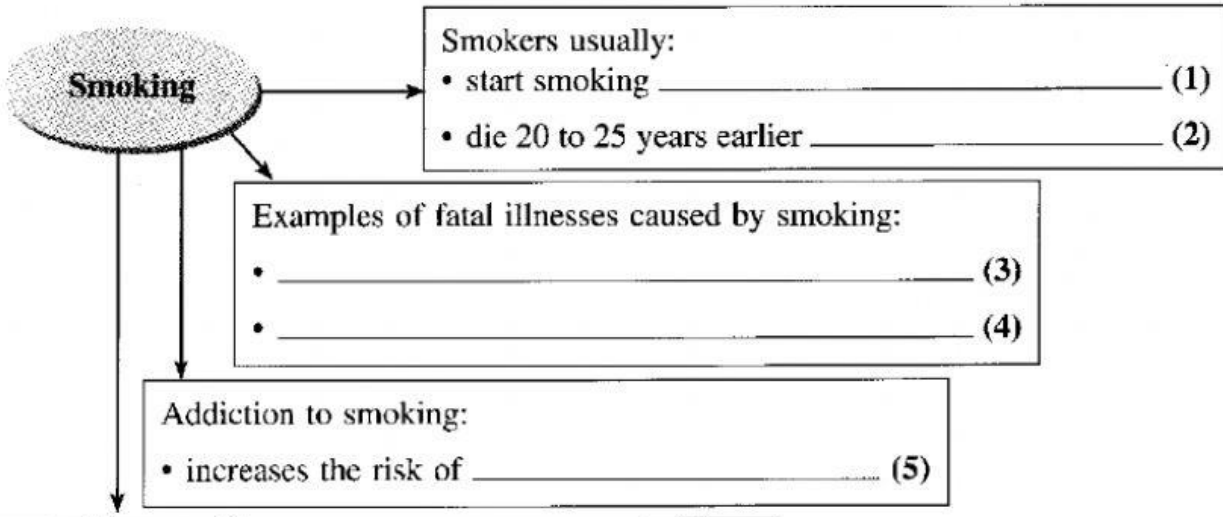
Smoking is the leading cause of fatal illnesses such as lung cancer and heart disease. Addiction to smoking also increases the risk of addiction to drugs. People who smoke are 8 times more likely to use marijuana and 22 times more likely to use cocaine.

The physical appearance of people who smoke undergo an undesirable change. Smoking causes the skin to age prematurely, wrinkling around the eyes and lips. Smokers also lose the whiteness of their teeth. Some may even lose all of their teeth.

Complete the following graphic organiser.

Choose **no more than three words and/or a number** from the text for each answer.

For each question, write your answer in the space provided.



Smoking

Smokers usually:

- start smoking _____ (1)
- die 20 to 25 years earlier _____ (2)

Examples of fatal illnesses caused by smoking:

- _____ (3)
- _____ (4)

Addiction to smoking:

- increases the risk of _____ (5)

Effects on the physical appearance:

- skin ages _____ (6)
- teeth lose their _____ (7)
- some smokers lose all _____ (8)

[8 marks]

PRACTICE 2

Read the advertisement below and answer questions 1 to 8.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Looking for a part-time job?
Want to earn extra income?
Look no further! We offer you the BEST job opportunities in town!

For this coming festive season, Westland Mall is looking for part-time workers for the following positions:

Cashier

- Handle cash transactions using a cash register
- Deal with customers pleasantly to ensure satisfaction

Gift Wrapper

- Wrap and decorate customers' purchases

Warehouse Helper

- Receive goods delivered to the warehouse for storage
- Verify inventory quantities and assist in inventory-level maintenance

Those interested:

- must be 15 years old or above
- must be able to speak Bahasa Malaysia and English fluently

Please come personally to Westland Mall at 2 Jalan Meriah, 54800 Cheras. Interviews will be conducted for three weeks starting from 19 September.

Starting pay:
RM8 per hour

Benefits:
Lunch and dinner provided, staff discount

Complete the following table.

Choose **no more than three words and/or a number** from the text for each answer.

For each question, write your answer in the space provided.

Jobs available	• _____ (1) • _____ (2) • _____ (3)
Pay	• _____ (4)
Benefits	• lunch and dinner provided • _____ (5)
Requirements	• must be _____ (6) or above • must speak fluent Bahasa Malaysia and English
Interviews	• will be conducted for _____ (7) • start on _____ (8)

[8 marks]

PRACTICE 3

Read the diary entry below and answer questions 1 to 8.

Next week is Mummy's birthday. I've been wondering what kind of present to get her. My mother is always there for me whenever I need her. I just want to show her how much I love her.

I think I should get her that perfume that she likes: Shazel No 5. She likes the floral scent. She also likes that it is mild. My mother always uses perfume when she goes out. It makes her feel confident when she talks to other people.

The other thing I could buy her is a new watch. My father bought her the watch she is currently using to celebrate their 15th anniversary. However, it is worn out now. She has never thought about replacing it because it is of sentimental value to her.

I am going to use the money I saved from my monthly pocket allowance. If it costs more than expected, I will use the extra savings I got from doing all those chores around the house.

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For each question, write your answer in the space provided.



Choice of presents:

1 _____

2 _____

Perfume:

3 _____

4 _____

- used when going out
- feel confident

Current watch:

- bought by father

5 _____

- sentimental value

6 _____

Resources:

7 _____

8 _____

[8 marks]

PRACTICE 4

Read the itinerary below and answer questions 1 to 8.

Calling all Form 3 students!

BE A GOOD LEADER

Leadership Workshop
 Sponsored by Tiara College
 Join our leadership camp at a beach resort!
 It is a fun-filled learning experience!
 Only RM150 per participant.

For more information,
 contact Puan Leena Ramasamy
 on 03-3372727.
Closing date for registration: 6 November

Date	Time	Programme
20 November	8.00 a.m.	Registration at Melur Beach Resort
	9.00 a.m.	Briefing on the camp by Encik Baharum Yakub, Course Coordinator
	10.30 a.m.	Ice-breaking session – Getting to Know You
	11.30 a.m.	Time management – Good Planning by presenter Miss Linda Tan
	12.30 p.m.	Group activity – How to Be a Good Leader
	1.30 p.m.	Lunch break
	2.30 p.m.	Organisational skills – How to Be a Good Organiser by presenter Mr Balasundram Ashley
	3.30 p.m.	Group activity – Positive and Negative Traits of a Leader
	4.30 p.m.	Outdoor game – A New Challenge
	5.30 p.m.	Closing ceremony and awarding of certificates

Complete the following table.

Choose **no more than three words and/or a number** from the text for each answer.

For each question, write your answer in the space provided.

Available for	1 _____
Sponsored by	2 _____
Price	3 _____
Location	4 _____
Closing date for registration	5 _____
Contact	6 _____ • 03-3372727
Presenters	7 _____ 8 _____

[8 marks]

PRACTICE 5

Read the passage below and answer questions 1 to 8.

IMPORTANCE OF CORAL REEFS

Coral reefs are home to a wide range of marine organisms. They are found hidden beneath the ocean's waters. Fish, corals, lobsters, clams, seahorses, sponges, sharks, sea turtles and hundreds of thousands of creatures rely on reefs for their survival.

Coral reefs are important for many reasons. Most important of all, they provide protection and shelter for many different species of fish. Without coral reefs, these fish would be left homeless with nowhere to live and nowhere to populate.

The biodiversity in and around the reefs is considered key to finding new medicines for the 21st century. Many drugs are now being developed from coral reef animals and plants as possible cures for bacterial infections and viruses.

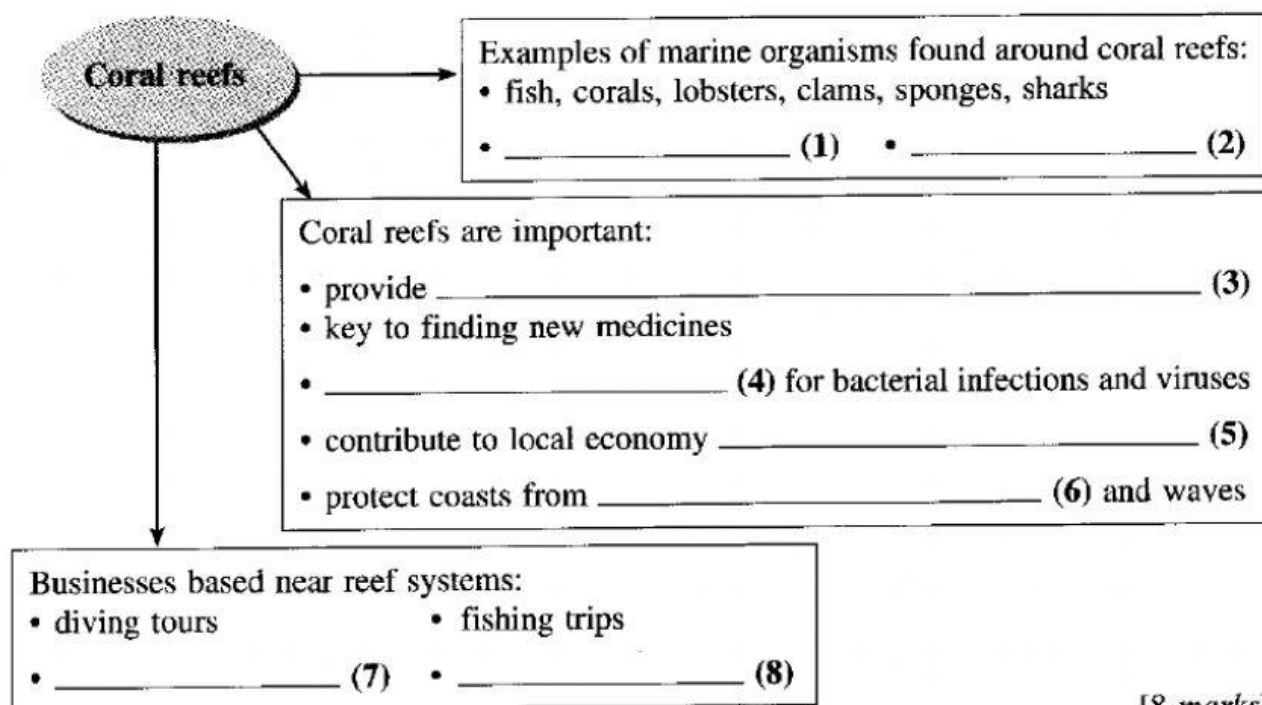
Healthy reefs contribute to the local economy through tourism. Diving tours, fishing trips, hotels and restaurants based near reef systems provide millions of jobs and contribute billions of dollars all over the world.

In addition, coral reefs are very important because they protect the coasts from strong currents and waves by slowing down the water before it gets to the shore. That is why they are called barrier reefs: they provide a barrier between the ocean and the shore.

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For each question, write your answer in the space provided.



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PRACTICE 6

Read the text below and answer questions 1 to 8.

TIPS FOR AVOIDING DROWSY DRIVING

Drowsy driving can be a risk to anyone who gets behind the wheel of a car. It is the cause of at least 100 000 traffic collisions each year. If you yawn frequently and are unable to keep your eyes open, you may be at risk of causing an accident. Here are some ways to avoid drowsy driving:

- 1 BEFORE DRIVING**
 - Make sure to get some sleep, even if it is only for a few hours
 - Do some exercise (jumping jacks) for a while before taking the wheel
- 2 WHILE DRIVING (SHORT TRIP)**
 - Listen to up-tempo music, especially music you can sing along to
 - Change positions frequently
 - Chew gum to keep you awake
 - Pay extra attention to road signs and traffic
- 3 WHILE DRIVING (LONG TRIP)**
 - Have some company
 - Take a break every couple of hours
 - Do some exercise
 - Take a nap
- 4 WHAT TO EAT AND DRINK WHILE DRIVING**
 - Drink water or soft drinks low in sugar and caffeine
 - Eat high-protein snacks
 - Avoid alcohol and medication

Complete the following table.

Choose **no more than three words and/or a number** from the text for each answer.

For each question, write your answer in the space provided.

Number of accidents	• _____ (1)
Before driving	• _____ (2) • _____ (3)
While driving	• listen to up-tempo music • _____ (4) • _____ (5) • have some company, take a nap, exercise • take a break every couple of hours
Eat and drink	• drink water or soft drinks low in _____ (6) • _____ (7) • avoid _____ (8)

[8 marks]