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Reading
Sample Materials

Grade 3
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Mirror Messages



FIND a pencil with an eraser.

WRITE a message on a mirror.
Use the eraser end of the pencil.



POLISH the mirror very lightly.
Remove all the eraser marks you can see.



BREATHE hard on the mirror. The message will reappear.



PLAY a joke on your family. Write an eraser note on the bathroom mirror. The message will appear when the room gets steamy.

Mirror Messages

Use the piece of writing called MIRROR MESSAGES on the opposite page to answer the questions below.

- 1** When you make a mirror message, you use an eraser to
- ☐ rub out your writing.
 - ☐ write your message.
 - ☐ make the message reappear.
 - ☐ polish the mirror.

2 FIND WRITE POLISH BREATHE

Why are these words written in bold, capital letters?

- ☐ You say them loudly.
- ☐ They are the words you write on the mirror.
- ☐ They are the main instructions.
- ☐ To make the writing look interesting.

3 MIRROR MESSAGES tells you about a joke you can play on your family.

Do you think this is a good joke?

☐ YES ☐ NO

Fill in one box and give a reason for your answer.

Happiness

*We asked you to tell us what happiness means to you.
Here are some of the many replies we received.*

Happiness is
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• holidays• playing with my friends• watching my favourite television program
AND
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• my team winning the finals!
Max

We are often told that money does not mean happiness. However I'd be extremely happy if I was rich!
Kayla

It's all about attitude, not about how much you have.
Josh

Happiness is infectious. Smile at someone and see what happens: they'll nearly always smile back.
Andy

Happiness is different
things to different
people.
A sunny day makes me
happy but farmers enjoy
the rain.
Sara

Happiness

The letters about HAPPINESS on the opposite page come from a magazine.

Use HAPPINESS to answer the questions below.

4 Which writer thinks that wealth can add to happiness?

- ☐ Max
- ☐ Kayla
- ☐ Andy
- ☐ Sara
- ☐ Josh

5 Which two writers are most likely to agree with Josh?

1. _____

2. _____

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Sara's second sentence is an example that shows how
'Happiness is different things to different people.'

Write another example that Sara could have used.
