Writing

1. Work in groups. Which of the following activities in the pictures do you think can be family routines?



2. Read Joey's email about his family routines and complete the table with the information from it.

To: dong@webmail.com

Subject: My family routines

Hi Dong,

How are you getting on? In your last email you asked me about my family routines. Well, we have quite a few routines to help us learn life skills and build family bonds, but I'll tell you about three main ones.

First, my family always have dinner together. Dinners are important for us since we share our daily experiences and talk about the latest news. Second, we watch our favourite game show on TV together every Friday evening. We discuss the questions and guess the answers. It's great fun every time we get a correct answer. Third, once

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every two weeks, on Saturday we clean the house together. We make a list of all the chores. Each of us then chooses one or two household tasks according to personal choice. We all feel happy and proud when we see our home spotlessly clean at the end of the day.

Do you have similar family routines? I'd be interested to know about your family.

Please write back soon.

Best,

Joey

Routines	When/ How often	Things to do to strengthen family bonds
1. have dinner together		
2.	every Friday evening	
3.		- make a list of chores - choose tasks

3. Complete the email about Dong's family routines using the information in the box.

Routines	When/ How often	Things to do to strengthen family bonds
1. have breakfast together	every day	- eat bread or noodles - share their plan for the day
2. watch TV together	every Friday evening	- watch a film and share snacks

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		- exchange opinions after the film
3. visit grandparents	on the second Sunday of the month	- do some housework for grandparents - have lunch with them

To: joey@webmail.com

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Hi Joey, How are you? We're all doing fine here. You asked me about my family routines. Well, we have a number of routines to help us learn life skills as well as build family bonds. Here are three main ones.

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What do you think about my family routines?

Please, write back soon and let me know.

Best wishes, Dong

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