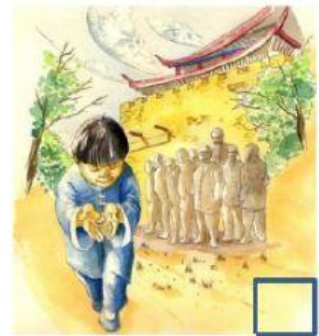


THE EMPTY POT – THE EMPEROR'S SEEDS

- Put the pictures in order. Then write 2 KEY WORDS for each picture. You cannot repeat the words.



- **Complete the text with the following words. There are 5 extra words.**

seed – successor – emperor – enthusiastic – bloom – pot –
planted – opportunity – magic – kingdom – perfume – honest

A long time ago in China, there was a boy named Ping who loved flowers. Anything he planted burst into **a)** _____. Up came flowers, bushes, and even big fruit trees, as if by **b)** _____. Everyone in the **c)** _____ loved flowers too. They **d)** _____ them everywhere, and the air smelled like **e)** _____. The Emperor loved birds and animals, but flowers most of all, and he tended his own garden every day. But the **f)** _____ was very old.

He needed to choose a **g)** _____ to the throne.

- **Put the events in order:**

INTRODUCTION:

Ping attempted to grow the most beautiful flower so he could be the new Emperor.

- Then he watered it every day. ☐
- First, he filled a flowerpot with rich soil. ☐
- Then he transferred the seed into the rich, black soil. ☐
- Second, he planted the seed in it very carefully. ☐
- Finally Ping carried his empty pot to the Emperor. ☐
- After nothing grew, Ping put new soil into a bigger pot. ☐
- Still nothing grew. ☐

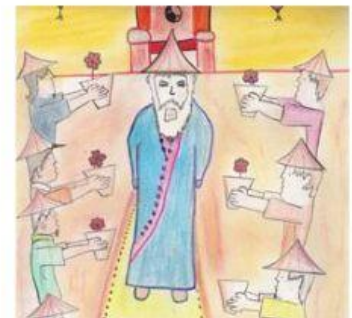


CONCLUSION:

Ping became the new Emperor because he honestly tried his best to grow the most beautiful flower.

● **Choose the correct option**

- 1) Which words best describe Ping?
A- truthful
B- mean
C- smart
- 2) Most of the children in the contest...
A- were smarter than Ping
B- did what the Emperor wanted
C- made the wrong decision
- 3) What happened when Ping tried to grow his seed?
A- He obtained a beautiful plant
B- nothing grew
C- a storm destroyed his plant
- 4) Who gave the children the seeds for the flower-growing contest?
A- Their teachers
B- their parents
C- the Emperor
- 5) By holding the contest, the Emperor is...
A- Giving children a chance to show their personalities.
B- Showing he won't like the next emperor.
C- Trying to help Ping become emperor because Ping is his favourite.
- 6) The flower-growing contest was for...
A- The Emperor's family and his closest friends.
B- The people who like gardening.
C- All the children in the land



● **What lesson can you learn from the story of the empty pot?**
