

Reading Challenge

Answer Key

Unit 1

The Ice Hotel

Pre-reading

1. It is winter in the photo. I know that because I can see a lot of ice.
2. I think this hotel must be in a cold place, like Russia.
3. I think this hotel is special because it is made of ice.

Vocabulary Preview

1. d
2. c
3. h
4. b
5. g
6. f
7. e
8. a

Reading Comprehension

1. b
2. d
3. c
4. b
5. b

Idiomatic Expressions

1. check in
2. am into
3. made out of

Summary

1. unique
2. freezing
3. surprisingly
4. fantastic
5. cozy

Listening

1. d
2. d
3. b

Discussion

1. I would like to stay in the Ice Hotel. I think it is a very unique place.
2. The most unusual place that I have heard of is this Ice Hotel.
3. An interesting place I have visited is Bangkok in Thailand. I saw many amazing palaces and temples there.

Vocabulary Review

1. b
2. d
3. d
4. a
5. b
6. a
7. d
8. b
9. c
10. b

Unit 2

Food Firsts

Pre-reading

1. My favorite food is Cajun chicken salad.
2. The most unusual food I have eaten is fried insects.
3. I can cook many kinds of dishes, from spaghetti to steak.

Vocabulary Preview

1. g
2. c
3. b
4. a
5. f
6. e
7. d
8. h

Reading Comprehension

1. d
2. b
3. a
4. d
5. b

Idiomatic Expressions

1. Dig in
2. find out
3. catching on

Summary

1. In reality
2. wealthy
3. spices
4. nearly
5. introduced

Listening

1. b
2. d
3. b

Discussion

1. My favorite foods from other countries are Tom Yang soup and fried noodles. Tom Yang soup is from Thailand and fried noodles are from Hong Kong.
2. Some traditional foods from Canada are barbequed salmon and steak.
3. One untrue story people believe is that spaghetti was first made in Italy. In fact, noodles were first made in China.

Vocabulary Review

1. d
2. d
3. c
4. a
5. d
6. d
7. b
8. a
9. c
10. b

Unit 3

Typhoon Who?

Pre-reading

1. I think a typhoon is a big storm.
2. A hurricane is also a big storm, like a typhoon.
3. I think hurricanes occur in the West, but typhoons occur in the East.

Vocabulary Preview

1. d
2. b
3. c
4. e
5. f
6. a
7. h
8. g

Reading Comprehension

1. c
2. d
3. c
4. c
5. b

Idiomatic Expressions

1. make up
2. keeps up with
3. look out for

Summary

1. destructive
2. detect
3. information
4. decides
5. include

Listening

1. b
2. c
3. c

Discussion

1. I think non human names are better for cyclones. It's more interesting that way.
2. I have never experienced a cyclone.
3. Winter is the worst season in my country, but summer is the best season.

Vocabulary Review

1. c
2. a
3. d
4. a
5. c
6. c
7. a
8. b
9. a
10. a

Unit 4

Just a Quick Nap

Pre-reading

1. I usually sleep 7-8 hours a night.
2. I sometimes sleep during the day if I am very tired.
3. When I feel sleepy in the middle of the day, I drink coffee.

Vocabulary Preview

1. h
2. a
3. g
4. f
5. e
6. d
7. c
8. b

Reading Comprehension

1. c
2. d
3. d
4. b
5. b

Idiomatic Expressions

1. cheer (him) up
2. catch forty winks
3. slows (them) down

Summary

1. normal
2. benefits
3. remember
4. stress
5. alarm

Listening

1. a
2. c
3. c

Discussion

1. I don't think it's a good idea to take a nap after lunch. If I nap right after lunch, I want to sleep a long time,
2. Another benefit of taking a nap is to help pass time when I am waiting for friends. A disadvantage of napping is that sometimes my neck hurts after a nap.
3. Napping can reduce stress for me. Other things I do to reduce stress is to exercise or listen to my favorite music.

Vocabulary Review

1. d
2. b
3. b
4. a
5. a
6. c
7. c
8. c
9. b
10. a

Unit 5

A Bug's Sleep

Pre-reading

1. I don't think insects sleep. They don't have a big enough brain to need sleep.
2. Maybe an insect is very still and quiet if it sleeps.
3. I usually need 7-8 hours of sleep. If I don't get enough sleep, I can't think very well the next day.

Vocabulary Preview

1. b
2. a
3. f
4. d
5. e
6. g
7. h
8. c

Reading Comprehension

1. c
2. b
3. c
4. c
5. a

Idiomatic Expressions

1. come out of
2. moves around
3. for example

Summary

1. believe
2. activity
3. studies
4. behavior
5. respond

Listening

1. c
2. b
3. d

Discussion

1. I think we need sleep to rest our brains and bodies.
2. One experiment could be measuring changes in the brain activity of insects. If it is different when they are still, maybe they are sleeping.
3. I know that insects have no bones or lungs.

Vocabulary Review

1. c
2. a
3. b
4. d
5. c
6. b
7. b
8. b
9. a
10. b

Unit 6

He Just Did It!

Pre-reading

1. Jack Nicklaus and Tiger Woods are famous golfers.
2. The special thing about Tiger Woods is that he is very young, but successful.
3. A role model is someone who I want to act like.

Vocabulary Preview

1. e
2. a
3. b
4. f
5. c
6. g
7. h
8. d

Reading Comprehension

1. b
2. c
3. a
4. c
5. c

Idiomatic Expressions

1. lend (you) a hand
2. holds the record for
3. looks up to

Summary

1. professional
2. famous
3. ethnicity
4. diversity
5. role model

Listening

1. a
2. a
3. c

Discussion

1. I don't like to play golf. I think it is a little boring.
2. I enjoy playing badminton or basketball.
3. If I had lots of money, I would give some to my family, give some to charity and put the rest in the bank.

Vocabulary Review

1. c
2. d
3. b
4. a
5. c
6. d
7. d
8. b
9. b
10. a

Unit 7

Too many Boys?

Pre-reading

1. I would like girls rather than boys.
2. I think girls are easier to raise than boys.
3. I want two children. This is the same as my parents.

Vocabulary Preview

1. e
2. g
3. h
4. f
5. a
6. c
7. d
8. b

Reading Comprehension

1. d
2. c
3. b
4. b
5. b

Idiomatic Expressions

1. have trouble
2. around the world
3. look after

Summary

1. give birth
2. females
3. prefer
4. significantly
5. occur

Listening

1. d
2. c
3. b

Discussion

1. I think the preferred sex in my country is male.
2. Some problems could be differences in educational opportunities or problems getting married.
3. I have heard of some places with more females than males. I think some tribes in New Guinea are like that.

Vocabulary Review

1. b
2. b
3. b
4. c
5. a
6. a
7. b
8. a
9. c
10. b

Unit 8

The Wright Way to Fly

Pre-reading

1. I think that the Wright brothers made the first airplane.
2. The Wright brothers were from the US.
3. I think they lived about 100 years ago.

Vocabulary Preview

1. b
2. h
3. c
4. e
5. d
6. f
7. g
8. a

Reading Comprehension

1. c
2. d
3. c
4. d
5. b

Idiomatic Expressions

1. give up
2. break down
3. start up

Summary

1. inventors
2. ordinary
3. decided
4. perfect
5. testing

Listening

1. d
2. b
3. a

Discussion

1. Thomas Edison is also a famous inventor.
2. My father enjoys making things. He likes to make furniture.
3. I last flew in an airplane last summer. I visited my family in New Zealand.

Vocabulary Review

1. b
2. a
3. c
4. a
5. a
6. a
7. c
8. c
9. a
10. c

Unit 9

Calling My Air Conditioner

Pre-reading

1. Most of my friends have cell phones.
2. We can call friends, play games and listen to music with our cell phones.
3. I don't know why people would call their air conditioner.

Vocabulary Preview

1. c
2. f
3. b
4. a
5. d
6. g
7. e
8. h

Reading Comprehension

1. d
2. b
3. c
4. b
5. b

Idiomatic Expressions

1. turn off
2. turn on
3. all kinds of

Summary

1. imagine
2. develops
3. communicate
4. devices
5. instructions

Listening

1. a
2. b
3. b

Discussion

1. I use my cell phone every day.
2. Cell phones are very convenient. But sometimes answering my phone can be annoying when I am busy.
3. I would control the heater in my house. That way, I could turn on the heater before I came home, so my house would be warm.

Vocabulary Review

1. a
2. c
3. c
4. b
5. b
6. d
7. a
8. a
9. c
10. b

Unit 10

Bugs For Sale

Pre-reading

1. I think worms are being sold in this machine.
2. Maybe people would buy worms for fishing.
3. The strangest thing I have seen in a machine is CDs.

Vocabulary Preview

1. b
2. e
3. f
4. d
5. c
6. a
7. h
8. g

Reading Comprehension

1. b
2. b
3. c
4. d
5. a

Idiomatic Expressions

1. a pair of
2. On the other hand
3. takes good care of

Summary

1. beetles
2. rare
3. vending machines
4. disagree
5. clever

Listening

1. a
2. b
3. b

Discussion

1. I agree with the conservationists. Animals are not products.
2. I think that insects are living things, so they should be treated the same as other animals.
3. I think batteries should be sold from vending machines.

Vocabulary Review

1. c
2. a
3. c
4. b
5. c
6. b
7. c
8. b
9. a
10. c

Unit 11

Television Terms

Pre-reading

1. I sometimes like to watch television.
2. Some popular shows on TV are soap operas and crime dramas.
3. I think "soap opera" means a kind of dramatic TV show. I think "infomercial" means a kind of commercial TV show.

Vocabulary Preview

1. c
2. e
3. f
4. g
5. a
6. b
7. h
8. d

Reading Comprehension

1. b
2. b
3. c
4. b
5. c

Idiomatic Expressions

1. is made up of
2. couch potato
3. turn into

Summary

1. program
2. products
3. go on
4. comedy
5. combination

Listening

1. b
2. b
3. d

Discussion

1. The most popular programs in the US are soap operas and sports games.
2. We call them soap operas and sports games.
3. Usually, women watch soap operas and men watch sports shows.

Vocabulary Review

1. c
2. b
3. a
4. b
5. c
6. b
7. d
8. c
9. c
10. a

Unit 12

Borrowed Words

Pre-reading

1. There are some English words used in my language, for example, computer.
2. There are many words in English that came from different languages, for example, resume is from the French language.
3. I think languages borrow words from other languages because of history or usefulness.

Vocabulary Preview

1. c
2. h
3. a
4. e
5. f
6. b
7. g
8. d

Reading Comprehension

1. c
2. a
3. d
4. a
5. b

Idiomatic Expressions

1. pour (chocolate sauce) on
2. full of
3. over time

Summary

1. originally
2. Actually
3. flavor
4. remains
5. massage

Listening

1. a
2. d
3. b

Discussion

1. If I could learn another language, I would learn Chinese.
2. Some words from English that I use in my native language are "video," "burger" and "English."
3. I know of some other borrowed words in English, for example, "sushi." Words from my own language used in English are "kimchi" and "bulgogi."

Vocabulary Review

1. d
2. a
3. c
4. a
5. c
6. c
7. d
8. c
9. a
10. c

Unit 13

Growing Deserts

Pre-reading

1. I think that there are deserts in Africa and Australia.
2. There is a small desert in my county.
3. We can prevent deserts from growing by not cutting down too many trees.

Vocabulary Preview

1. e 2. f 3. a 4. g 5. d
6. h 7. b 8. c

Reading Comprehension

1. c 2. d 3. a 4. a 5. d

Idiomatic Expressions

1. speed up
2. as well
3. all over

Summary

1. serious 2. ruin
3. spread 4. damage
5. treat

Listening

1. c 2. c 3. c

Discussion

1. I have seen a desert. It looked very peaceful and a little desolate.
2. I think people and animals in the desert have difficult lives.
3. Yes, I have heard that growing deserts are a serious problem.

Vocabulary Review

1. b 2. d 3. a 4. a 5. d
6. d 7. b 8. a 9. b 10. a

Unit 14

The Importance of Water

Pre-reading

1. People should drink about 8 glasses of water a day.
2. I think it is better to drink warm water.
3. If we drink enough water, we will become healthier.

Vocabulary Preview

1. f 2. e 3. b 4. d 5. h
6. c 7. g 8. a

Reading Comprehension

1. d 2. b 3. d 4. b 5. c

Idiomatic Expressions

1. in one sitting
2. first thing
3. take in

Summary

1. digestion 2. kidneys
3. nutrients 4. in one sitting
5. eliminate

Listening

1. b 2. b 3. b

Discussion

1. Maybe some people think water is boring to drink.
2. People can also eat fruit or vegetables in order to take in more water
3. Others things that are good for our bodies are dark colored vegetables and green tea.

Vocabulary Review

1. b 2. a 3. d 4. a 5. b
6. a 7. b 8. b 9. a 10. a

Unit 15

Animal Forecasters

Pre-reading

1. I think stormy weather is shown in the picture. My favorite weather is sunny weather.
2. Scientists can predict weather patterns by air pressure.
3. I have a pet cat. During a storm, it hides under the bed.

Vocabulary Preview

1. c
2. b
3. a
4. f
5. e
6. g
7. h
8. d

Reading Comprehension

1. c
2. d
3. b
4. b
5. c

Idiomatic Expressions

1. take another look
2. jumped
3. hit

Summary

1. predict
2. scientific
3. noticed
4. aggressive
5. connection

Listening

1. d
2. b
3. c

Discussion

1. I think that animals can predict the weather because they can sense things humans can't.
2. Animals help people by finding lost people or things or by guiding people.
3. I think the most interesting animal is the elephant. I think the least interesting animal is the dog.

Vocabulary Review

1. d
2. a
3. c
4. a
5. a
6. d
7. b
8. b
9. b
10. a

Unit 16

A Fantastic Mind

Pre-reading

1. I know of some famous animated movies, like Aladdin and the Lion King.
2. I like comics and animation. I like the X-men comics and animation like Finding Nemo.
3. I have heard of some famous Japanese animators, like Miyazaki.

Vocabulary Preview

1. d
2. b
3. e
4. a
5. g
6. c
7. h
8. f

Reading Comprehension

1. d
2. a
3. b
4. d
5. b

Idiomatic Expressions

1. is based on
2. warm-hearted
3. point out

Summary

1. animated
2. supernatural
3. charming
4. reality
5. original

Listening

1. b
2. a
3. d

Discussion

1. I like to draw. I think being an animator would be fun.
2. The best movie I saw was Matrix. It didn't have any animation.
3. A popular cartoon character in Korea is Dooly.

Vocabulary Review

1. c
2. c
3. c
4. d
5. a
6. c
7. b
8. a
9. c
10. a

Unit 17

Seeing Red

Pre-reading

1. My classroom is white. It's an OK color for studying.
2. Blue and green make me feel relaxed.
3. I usually buy brown, black or green clothes.

Vocabulary Preview

1. d
2. a
3. f
4. e
5. b
6. c
7. h
8. g

Reading Comprehension

1. c
2. d
3. a
4. b
5. a

Idiomatic Expressions

1. nod off
2. calm down
3. stir up

Summary

1. produce
2. peaceful
3. sense
4. confidence
5. appearance

Listening

1. d
2. d
3. d

Discussion

1. I wouldn't wear yellow. I think it is too bright.
2. White clothes make me feel nervous. A white room makes me feel serious.
3. I usually wear blue or black clothes. I think that they don't get dirty as easily.

Vocabulary Review

1. a
2. c
3. d
4. b
5. b
6. c
7. a
8. c
9. a
10. b

Unit 18

Worth Collecting

Pre-reading

1. My brother collects old stamps.
2. I usually throw away old letters or stamps.
3. I think people keep old stamps because they like history.

Vocabulary Preview

1. b
2. g
3. e
4. h
5. a
6. c
7. f
8. d

Reading Comprehension

1. a
2. a
3. d
4. d
5. d

Idiomatic Expressions

1. down the road
2. go for
3. well over

Summary

1. practiced
2. issued
3. particular
4. valuable
5. popular

Listening

1. a
2. d
3. b

Discussion

1. If I could design a stamp for my country, I would put famous inventions on it. Many people don't know what famous inventions were made in my country.
2. I don't collect stamps, but I do collect books.
3. The most money I would pay is \$100.

Vocabulary Review

1. b
2. c
3. d
4. a
5. a
6. d
7. b
8. b
9. c
10. b

Unit 19

No Cash? No Problem!

Pre-reading

1. I have some coins in my wallet right now.
2. I prefer to pay with cash.
3. I think this reading will be about using cards.

Vocabulary Preview

1. c
2. b
3. g
4. a
5. d
6. e
7. f
8. h

Reading Comprehension

1. b
2. d
3. b
4. a
5. d

Idiomatic Expressions

1. check out
2. get rid of
3. carts (that big umbrella) around

Summary

1. convenient
2. continue
3. wallets
4. act
5. access

Listening

1. b
2. b
3. a

Discussion

1. I would like to have a cashless card because it would be very convenient.
2. I hate waiting behind people.
3. I use some cards. I have a library card, some memberships cards (to a gym, video store, restaurant) and a credit card.

Vocabulary Review

1. a
2. d
3. a
4. b
5. d
6. c
7. b
8. b
9. b
10. b

Unit 20

Rich Dogs

Pre-reading

1. I think this reading is about dogs who have a lot of money.
2. People usually buy dogs food, toys or clothing.
3. I think a mutt could be a dog of mixed breed.

Vocabulary Preview

1. g
2. e
3. c
4. b
5. h
6. a
7. f
8. d

Reading Comprehension

1. c
2. d
3. b
4. c
5. d

Idiomatic Expressions

1. passed away
2. speaking of
3. no big deal

Summary

1. fortunes
2. inherited
3. owners
4. rescued
5. damage

Listening

1. c
2. b
3. d

Discussion

1. I wouldn't leave money to a pet. I think people do that so that someone will take care of their pet.
2. I have heard of dogs who protected their owners during a robbery.
3. A smart animal that I know is my sister's cat. He always knows when my sister is coming home and waits at the door for her.

Vocabulary Review

1. a
2. a
3. b
4. a
5. c
6. c
7. a
8. a
9. c
10. b

