NEWS FLASH

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TIMETABLE FOR THE WEEK

WORKSHEETS FOR THE WEEK

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THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MENTAL MATHS	MENTAL MATHS	MENTAL MATHS	MENTAL MATHS	MENTAL MATHS
CHALLENGE	CHALLENGE	CHALLENGE	CHALLENGE	CHALLENGE
DAILY QUIZ	DAILY QUIZ	DAILY QUIZ	DAILY QUIZ	DAILY QUIZ
MAGIC SQUARE PUZZLE	MAGIC SQUARE PUZZLE	MAGIC SQUARE PUZZLE	MAGIC SQUARE PUZZLE	MAGIC SQUARE PUZZLE
WORLD NURSES DAY	WRITER'S DEN STORY TIME	MY FAVOURITE MOVIE EVER	ALPHABET ANIMALS	POETRY: MAY MAGIC
QUESTION TIME	SO MANY MISTAKES!	CLOZE TEST TIME	MATHS STORY	WORD WORKOUT

MENTAL MATHS

10 mental maths questions read aloud. You write down the answers as quickly (and correctly) as you can! If we are going too fast for you, just play it again, and again, until you get all completed. We'll reveal the answers tomorrow, before we begin the next one.

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Answer Sheet for your

DAILY QUIZ

Right, before anyone asks you to do anything, be ready to shout: IN TWO MINUTES!

As that's how long it will take you to complete this, we're thinking.

OK, enough of the intro, we want answers ... NOW!

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THANK YOU, NURSES

This week's writing activity invites you to pen a letter to the nurses of Ireland for World Nurses Day (tomorrow, May 12). Having spent the last few months on the front line battling COVID-19 and putting others before themselves, it's not hard to see why they deserve our gratitude. We will post all letters online so the nurses can read your kind words.

Comprehension Activity: Monday, May 11

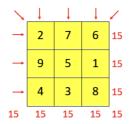
QUESTION TIME

How well have you read this month's paper? Here, in Question Time, as well as testing your memory and retention skills, we also test your imagination and creative skills. We base this activity on the news pages, page 4, 5, 6 and 14.

- 1. Name three German cities mentioned in this month's News Round.
- 2. What happened in Ebbw Vale, in South Wales, during the lockdown?
- 3. What amazing idea did young Dylan Moran come up with?
- 4. How long were Spanish children kept indoors for due to COVID-19?
- 5. What beautiful idea did Jodi come up with?
- 6. What was so unusual about Agnieszka Marsh's latest wedding shoot?
- 7. What did Pickle the dog's owner do to distract the worried pet?
- 8. What is one of the most important ways of avoiding infectious diseases?
- 9. Bored with life under lockdown, what did Kristen Vogler resort to for fun?
- 10. List your favourite three fact about penguins?

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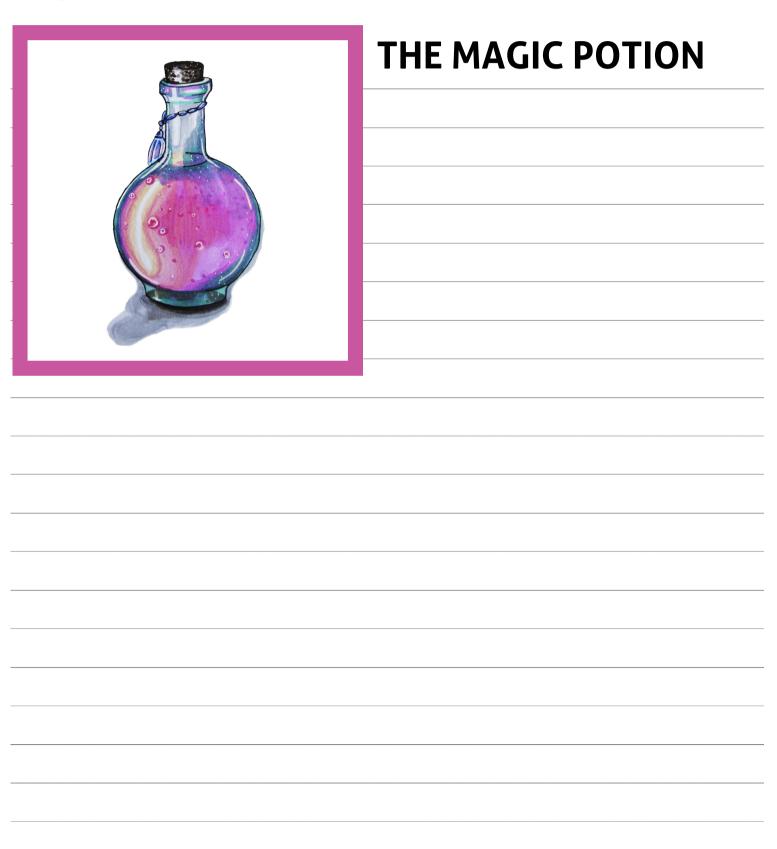
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WRITER'S DEN

Tuesday's Writing Activity invites you to write a short story based on the title and image below:





Grammar Activity: Tuesday, May 12

SO MANY MISTAKES!

This week's grammar activity is based on a great story about a bot who discovers a valuable diamond a number of years ago. Read through the article and see if you can spot the 10 spelling mistakes.

LA SAGRADA FAMILIA

10 SPELLING MISTAKES

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La Sagrada Familia is a huge Catholic church in the centre of Barcelona, Spain. Work began on the church in 1882 after Josep Maria Bocabella, a bookseller, had paid a visit to Rome. He decided that Barcelona should have a fine church and archetect Francisco Paula del Villar was given the job of desining the building. However, del Villar was replaced in 1883 by local architect Antoni Gaudí.

Gaudí scrapped the origanal plans and began building a wonderful, modern church. He worked on the project until his death in 1926. By then only a quarter of the building was completed. Today about half the building is finished, but with modern machenery and technology it is hoped the church will be finished by 2026.

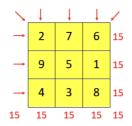
Gaudí beleived that the La Sagrada Familia should not have straight lines or angles like most buildings but should look like the things we see around us in nature. 'In nature, nothing is straight,' he said. The pillers inside the church are shaped like giant trees, with branches which hold up the ceilings.

La Sagrada Familia will have 18 towers with spiers on top – only eight of them are finished at this time. Twelve of the 18 towers will represent the apostles and four will represent the evangalists, Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John. One tower is in honour of the Virgin Mary, and the tallest tower of all is for Jesus Christ.

Gaudí believed that man-made objects should not be higher than things made by God. Therefour, the tallest tower will be 170m high, one metre lower than Montjuïc hill, the highest point in Barcalona.

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MY FAVOURITE MOVIE EVER

Movie reviews are all about what you thought of a movie. They don't tell just the story, and they certainly don't give away the ending. Your sentences could begin with: I thought ... I liked when ... My favourite part was when ... I found ... I didn't like ... I laughed when ... and so on.

When you start your review with these sentence starters, you know you are talking about what you thought, not just what happened. Remember, the whole point of your review is to persuade others to watch it. A poster for my movie

Cloze Test Activity: Wednesday, May 13

FILL IN THE BLANKS

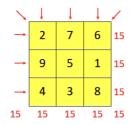
This week's cloze test is all about ants! We've made it a bit trickier by taking out 8 words. This is called a cloze test. Read through the words first and make sure you understand them. Then, read through the article. Make sure you think about the best place to put a word, not the first place. Careful as you go, as some words may fit in a few places, while other words will only suit one place.

BELGIUM

Germany region live western Belgium languages speak resorts Belgium is a small country in 1. _____ Europe. It is bordered by France, Luxembourg, the Netherlands and 2. ______ . It also has a 65kilometre-long coastline on the North Sea, where there are sandy beaches and 15 3. _____ The five southern provinces of Belgium are in the 4. _____ of Wallonia. The people who live here are called Walloons and they speak French. There is also a small group of German-speakers in eastern Wallonia. Dutch-speaking Belgians 5. _____ in the five northern and northeastern provinces. This area is called Flanders and the people are known as Flemish. In the Brussels region, most 6. _____ speak French. However, both French and Dutch are its official 7. FLASH FACT Famous comic book series to come out of 8. _____ include The Adventures of Tintin, The Smurfs and Asterix.

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ALPHABET ANIMALS

For this Report Writing activity, we give you children are given a letter and you must write a short report (or a series of facts) on an animal beginning with it.

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MATHS STORY

Read this week's Maths Story and see if you can solve the problems below. This is not a quick-fire maths activity, so take your time, have a working-out sheet beside you and adopt the RUDES approach:

- 1. READ carefully
- 2. UNDERLINE (key words)
- 3. DRAW a diagram if you need to. This often helps.
- 4. ESTIMATE your answer
- 5. SOLVE the problem.

ROCCO'S PAINFUL SNACK

Rocco, a Staffordshire bull terrier, was taken into the Glasgow Shamrock Street Pet Hospital last month when his owners became worried after he had started vomiting.

An X-ray of Rocco's stomach showed that he had swallowed a large rectangular object, which turned out to be a Nintendo DS video-game cartridge!

Luckily, the vets were able to remove it with surgery and Rocco was able to go home to his family the very next day!

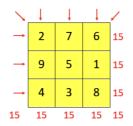
Although Rocco recovered really quickly, he could have died without the help of the vets. This shows how important it is to be careful with your pet. Make sure you only feed them what they are supposed to eat ... and best if you keep them away from your devices!

QUESTIONS

- 1. If Rocco was born on July 1, 2011, what age (in years) is he now (May 14, 2020)?
- 2. Rocco's owner has a collection of 96 Nintendo DS games. If each one cost him €22, how much did his whole collection cost?
- 3. Rocco's vet lives 13 and 1/2 kilometres away. If there are 1000m in 1 km, how many metres is it from Rocco's to the vets?
- 4. Dog food costs €25 per 5kg bag. If Rocco's owner spends €75 per month, how kilogrammes of dog food does Rocco eat in the month?
- 5. Rocco's visit to the vet should have cost a total of €57.50. He was so good, however, the vet only charged half price. How much did Rocco's owner end up paying?

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Narrative Writing Activity: Friday, May 15

MAY MAGIC

Today's theme: Nature in the Month of May

We want your poems -- long, short, exciting, sad, fun, scary, unbelievable, thrilling ... so we can share them with all our TPP readers. This week's challenge is to compose (write) a poem (any type) about your family. You have acrostic, alphabet, haiku, limerick, sonnet, cinquain or free verse to choose from.

Sometimes, creating rhyming pairs related to the topic can help. Here are some that may help.

FLOWER	SUN	FIELDS	TREES	OUTSIDE
TOWER	FUN	KNEELS	BEES	INSECT EYES

WORD WORKOUT

This activity challenges you to find words throughout the magazine that match the definitions provided. The clues give you the page number, a description of the word, the first letter and the number of letters in the word. Sure, we nearly have it done *for* you!:)

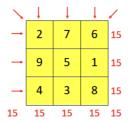
LOCA	ATION, Article/Paragraph	CLUE (number of letters, first letter)
1.	P10 Nature's Gift	A thick or tall stem of a plant (5,s)
2.	P10 Nature's Gift	Place where a plant or animal normally lives. (7,h)
3.	P11 Who was	Humble, not important. (5,l)
4.	P11 Becoming	Worked without getting paid. (11,v)
5.	P11 Crimean War	Piece of land almost surrounded by water. (9,p)
6.	P12 Kingdom of Hell	Fresh air moving through a room. (11,v)
7.	P12 Getting to Work	Set up, started, began. (11,e)
8.	P12 Caring for	To do with the army, navy or air force. (8,m)

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