

Criterion B: Comprehending written and visual text

Instructions:

- Read the written and visual text below.
- Answer the following questions in the space provided. Use your own word as much as possible.
- Answer the questions **in English or Chinese**.
- You are not allowed to use dictionaries or translators.
- You are not allowed to talk to your classmates or ask them questions.
- You will have **50** minutes to complete the task.

Strands

- i. identify basic facts, main ideas and supporting ideas, and draw conclusions
- ii. recognize basic conventions including aspects of format and style, and author's purpose for writing
- iii. engage with written and visual text by identifying ideas, opinions and attitudes and by making a personal response to the text.

Written text

School Sports and Leisure Activities

Schooling is not only about studying but also about having fun. Education is best imparted, if learning is made fun. It is very important for the education authorities to ensure that students are not overburdened with the school curriculum and are able to devote sufficient time for their overall development. It is thus important for school officials to encourage the active participation of students in sports. These activities at school act as effective stress busters and also help create an environment that is conducive to the general growth and development of young minds.

School Sports

Sports are an essential constituent of a school curriculum. Irrespective of the grade a student is studying in, sports are a must. They help in fostering the much-needed team spirit among students. They help in inculcating a sportsman spirit in them and serve as an effective way of bringing together, children from diverse cultural backgrounds.

- Gymnastics, swimming competitions, tennis and badminton tournaments, cricket and soccer matches and inter-class sports events can be organized in schools.
- Sports enthusiasts can participate in these events, while those not participating can be a part of the cheering team.
- Kids are sure to enjoy activities like cycling and running races, skating, and fun games like tug of war.

Leisure Activities at School

Wondering how schooling is associated with the word 'leisure'? Well, you are mistaken if you believe that schooling is only about class assignments and homework. School education is much more than that. In fact, it is about helping the students learn the important lessons of life. It aims at their overall development which includes inculcating good values in them. Devoting their entire day to only studies, defeats the purpose of effective school education. It is very important to incorporate some leisure or recreational activities in the school's weekly schedule.

- You can organize yoga sessions and meditation exercises for children, thus introducing them to the proper means of relaxation.
- Loud-reading sessions and library exercises are excellent leisure activities in school. In fact, you can devote one hour every week for reading. Take the kids to the school library and encourage them to explore different books.
- Music and dance classes are excellent options for leisure activities at school.
- You can also arrange art and craft or clay work lessons, thus trying to discover the creativity hidden in the children.
- You might like to organize brainstorming sessions and mental games for students.
- Fun games and team building activities are the best means of engaging young minds in leisure activities, while also enabling a good utilization of their time.

Sports and leisure activities are about making a fruitful use of time in a creative way. **They are the best means to find hidden talent, cultivate bright minds and encourage innovation.** School years are the founding years of one's life. They need to be supplemented with fun and excitement so that children make an ideal beginning to the life's journey ahead.

497 words

<http://www.buzzle.com/articles/school-sports-and-leisure-activities.html>

Visual text

Leisure



Freedom From:

"I finished my schoolwork."



Freedom to:

"What activity would I like to do today?"



Self-discovery:

"Look what I can do!"



Growth:

"I can succeed at difficult tasks!"

<https://www.google.com.tw/search?q=leisure+activity+school+children&espv=2&biw=1366&bih=667&tbn=isch&tbo=u&source=univ&sa=X&ved=0ahUKEwjhwuqat-PLAhXMGJQKHU04D8UQsAQIHg&dpr=1#imgrc=BG0MLP1CxpoymM%3A>

Questions:

1. Based on the **written text**, what is the importance of sports in school? Strand i 2 points

base on the article, the school sport can strengthen the team spirit and it can break down the defence from the heart to heart of those kids.

2. Based on the **written text**, why is it very important to incorporate (包含, 体现) some leisure or recreational activities in the school's weekly schedule? Strand i 2 points

According to the article, the Author explain that the leisure activity is really important. first, it can teach something that you cannot learning in the class; the lesson of life. Also it can inculcating the good values for the kids.

3. What does the **visual text** show you? Explain the **images and text** in your own words. Strand i 3 points

Basic on my view, I see there are 5 different kids. They are not as similar as all, they have different color, different ~~sees~~ ^{clothing} different life style, even different hair cut! But there are one things that is the same, they use their own ability to show the things they can do and shows the things they doing. ~~on~~ under the picture, there have four standard: freedom from, freedom to, self-discovery and growth.

It's a kind of standard of the life of the standard, also it's a circle of the life

4. What type of **written text** is this? Explain and give reasons for your answers.

Strand ii 2 points the ~~written~~ written text is a discription.

Basic on this ~~article~~ article, the it used alot of words to discribe the leisure activity and school, but it don't have the point of view of himself.

5. What is the purpose of the written text **AND** the visual text? Please explain your answers based on the **TWO** texts. Strand ii 4 points

basin on the writtentext, the author is more caring the life in school. it shows many life style and ~~many~~ list two list of sport that we might can taking in the leisure time, so the main purpose is to share some life style to us.

for the picture, the main purpose is the ~~words~~ words under the picture.

it's telling a ~~way~~ ^{what} a method which effect the life is.

It use four standard: freedom from to growth to show the life is.

6. "These two texts are targeting young audiences." Support or oppose this statement using examples from the texts. Strand ii 3 points

Yes, but not all of it. Basis on both two texts, they are all telling the things of young kids. ^{while} ~~whether~~ the activity or the life style of them, but also, the parent are also glade to see those article. Therefore, they might know there kids more, and learning how to be a good parent.

7. Do you think school sports need **not** be limited to the school playground? Why? Strand iii 2 points

Yes, basis on some activity. it don't ~~have~~ have to use the playground. Sometimes, ~~you~~ even you can do it in the classroom. Actually, it might be a more efficiency way.

8. According to **the written text**, "Sports and leisure are **the best means** to find hidden (潜在的) talent, cultivate (培养) bright minds and encourage innovation (创新)." Do you agree or disagree? Why? Strand iii 3 points

Basis on the article, it is a ~~way~~ means of hidden talent..., but also it have some limit. Actually, the sports and leisure ~~is~~ is one way that can find the hidden talent of it, but there also have some others way. for example, the study and learn, although the sports and leisure is really meaningful and ~~let~~ it make our ~~hidden~~ talent been finding out, ~~to~~ but, basis on my view, I think it might not be the best.

9. As a student, do you think **the written and visual text** could change your attitude about leisure activities? Why do you think so? Strand iii 3 points

Yes, it changes alot, basis on my life, I spend too many times on study and some thing according to the study. Therefore, a period of time in my life, I even got some psychology problem, after this text, I think I might find a better way for cure my psychology problem and strengthen my body.