

A Problem-solution Essay By Yu Cheuk Him - 2C (33)

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A Picture Story By Ma Chun Nam, Jason – 1D (21)

Robbers Broke into the Jewellery Shop

This morning, at Jason's Jewellery Shop, there were two robbers who robbed the jewellery shop.

First, the two robbers broke into the jewellery shop and shot at the sky to scare the people. They also wore masks.

Next, one of the robbers pointed a gun at the security guard and told him to put his hands up or he would shoot him.

After that, the other robber did the same thing that the other robber did to me. What he didn't know, I already pressed the alarm to call the police.

Then, one of the robbers shot at the sky to scare the people. The other robber smashed and broke the jewellery display cases and stole the jewellery.

In the end, the police came and the robbers put down their guns. But then they ran as fast as possible because they didn't want to get caught. They went to the backdoor and stole a car. They drove that car to the highway. The police and the robbers had a car chase and a gun fight. Only the police had guns. The robbers didn't have any guns. So, the police shot the robbers during the car chase and it stopped. The police caught them.

After a while, the police got back the jewellery and gave it back to our jewellery shop.

A Film Review By Chau Hoi Ching Christine - 2C (05)

Magic and Wonder

Dancing, magic, people flying in the air, basically every fantasy you can imagine can be found in this film. *Mary Poppins*, another fantastic film produced by the world-famous Walt Disney, is like a journey to a magical world where everything is possible. A nanny named Mary Poppins comes to take care of two children, Jane Banks and Michael Banks, whose father is a banker and doesn't really understand the importance of joy in his children's lives, but Mary Poppins changed that. This film isn't just a fantasy, it's also a comedy. There are a lot of funny scenes in the film which never fail to bring a bright smile to my face.

The actress, starred in the film as Mary Poppins - Julie Andrews, doesn't only have a ravishing look, but extraordinary talent. Her acting is on point, totally bringing out the personality of a bossy, yet charming and kind young lady. Most of the stunts in the movie were done by the amazing actress herself, like floating in the air. She was attached to a harness to do that. Moreover, Julie Andrews won an Oscar Award for Best Actress in the film. Her dancing is graceful and elegant in the movie. She dances like a swan and seems to be as light as a feather.

The little kids who played Jane and Michael Banks were only 9 years old and 7 years old respectively when they acted in the film! They were just small children but still had top-notch acting skills. They were really sweet and adorable in the film. Without them, the film would just be boring and have no humour. They are definitely a big and important part of the film and they

did great. The actor who starred as Bert, Mary Poppins' friend, was very funny. He certainly brought out the clumsiness and kindness of the character.

The soundtracks of the film are heart-warming and relaxing. The songs are very smooth and have a touch of gentleness in them. I especially like the song 'Spoonful of Sugar', which is one of those songs that is rather clean, which I really adore. Julie Andrews' voice was sweet like a rose; she sang beautifully. She is one of my all-time favourite singers. I just love how simple but yet magical old Disney songs are. Although this film was produced a long time ago, in 1964, the editing is outstanding; it made everything look so real. The editors put animations and live actions together at the same time, making me feel like I'm in an actual fairytale. I was totally mind-blown by both the enchanting music and splendid editing.

Overall, this film just makes my heart soar up high. It always makes my gloomy days turn into gorgeous and magnificent ones. I feel so grand whenever I watch. Watching this film is also like time-travelling back to when I was just a little kid, frolicking around. It brings back so many great memories. If you ever get a chance to watch this one masterpiece, don't let that precious opportunity slip away from your grip. You may think that because it's quite an old film, you wouldn't like it. But who knows. Maybe you'll find the simplicity of it soothing and absolutely phenomenal, or find a magical world of your own.

A Problem-solution Essay By Chau Hoi Chine Christine – 2C (05)

Where's the clean water?

Where's the clean water that our eyes feast on at the beach? Where's the fresh, nice smell that cleans up my mind? Its disappearance is caused by water pollution. Water pollution is a serious problem not just in Hong Kong, but in the whole world! The reasons for this happening are infinite. Oil spills from places like tankers and pipelines are contaminating seas, lakes and rivers. Waste from households is also worsening the situation. Furthermore, fertilizer from farmlands, revolting waste from livestock, all of it is being discarded into water filled areas. All of this leads to the death of adorable sea creatures, which may even cause them to go extinct. We humans might drink the disgusting polluted water, which can result in dangerous diseases like diarrhea. Every year, approximately 297,000 children under five die because of it. This is a cry for help. We must take action! But how?

First of all, have you ever finished a drink from a plastic bottle and thought to yourself, 'I'll just throw it into the sewer. No one will notice.' This has to be stopped! Littering trash in the streets can also affect the quality of water as the trash will be washed away when rain occurs, ending up in lakes. The solution to this is simple: don't litter. Littering can cause countless problems. An even better way is to try our very best to not buy disposable products. It can directly reduce the amount of waste that we throw away every day. The government can also have stricter policies on littering and maybe even have security guards keeping an eye on

pedestrians, making sure that no one is doing harmful actions to the environment.

Moreover, we can help solve this problem by not overfilling fuel tanks. Fuel tanks are the containers in ships where an engine draws its fuel. It is filled with oil which can be extremely dangerous to the sea. Filling tanks up to 90 percent of its capacity can certainly reduce the possibilities of oil spills, saving the lives of sea creatures.

Last but definitely not least, strengthen water treatment. Carefully filtering out the impurities and distilling water can allow us to have clean, fresh water to slurp down every day, not needing to worry about getting infected by the germs in the liquid. We can enjoy relaxing showers without any hesitation. The risks of getting diseases can be greatly diminished.

Lovely dolphins dying, swimming in gross sea water, people dying from accidentally drinking contaminated water, is this really what we want? We have to take a step forward and be true heroes. Let's do everything we can to stop this dreadful problem, bringing back the crystal clear, glimmering gem of mother nature. Let's stop water pollution once and for all!

A Problem-solution Essay By Chang Sum Lok – 2C (09)

Toxic Gas Infests Humans

Do you know why Beijing is so foggy? Why is the air so dirty in some places of the world? All this is the sin of mankind. Everyone knows that we should reduce air pollution, but many people just talk about it and don't practice it at all! Do you know the hazards of air pollution? Do you know what kind of future we will face if we don't reduce air pollution? Ok, now I will explain air pollution to you guys.

Air pollution refers to the pollution of the atmosphere caused by substances that are harmful to human health and the surrounding environment. These substances can be gases, solids or liquid suspensions.

The air pollution in the urban area of Hong Kong is partly caused by exhaust emissions from vehicles (especially diesel vehicles). Emissions from power plants are also an important source of local air pollution.

An important risk factor for air pollution is a series of health problems, including respiratory infections, heart disease, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, stroke, and lung cancer. It is estimated that about 7 million people die from various forms of air pollution every day.

So what do we do to solve this dangerous problem? Citizens can implement some environmental protection measures at home to protect the environment and make their lives healthier. To have cleaner air, the easiest way is to reduce the energy consumption in homes. If there is no need, turn off the fans, air conditioners and lights. Keep the air conditioner room temperature at 25.5 degrees Celsius in summer. The above habits not only save money and electricity, but also reduce air pollution generated by power plants.

In conclusion, if mankind wants to improve the serious problem of air pollution, it must start from our daily lives. Otherwise, the impacts of air pollution will be too great, and it will affect human life. It may threaten human safety.

A Film Review By Ku Ching Kiu, Natalie – 2C (10)

'The Jungle Adventure': One of the best movies this summer

'The Jungle Adventure' is based on a popular ride in Disneyland and Walt Disney World. It was produced by Disney. This movie is one of the best films this summer because it is pretty interesting. The story revolves around the Amazon forest. There are many fields that go up to the mountain and down to the sea, such as rapids on the sea and fierce fighting under the water.

The story talks about Dr. Lily Horton and her brother McGregor who embark on a journey to find a healing mythical ancient tree. No one is even sure if such a tree exists. In order to travel through the Amazon jungle, a playful captain named Frank is hired. They embark on an epic adventure, looking for something that might not even exist, and it is no exaggeration to say things go crazy.

Dwayne Douglas Johnson is called Frank in "Jungle Adventure". He played the captain in that film. He is my favourite character because he is extremely handsome, and it is obvious that he is doing his best to perform this character perfectly. In the film, the action, adventure and comedy are perfectly intertwined, wild and fun. The music score improves the feeling of certain moments, especially in the early fighting scenes. Another thing to point out is that CGI is not the best in this movie. Some villains in the film also have some CGI special effects. Although the effects are sometimes good, they often look silly. However, this didn't ruin the whole movie. It

just could have been better.

Anyway, "Jungle Adventure" is a wild adventure comedy. There are many interesting action scenes. The chemistry between the two protagonists is great, and there are even some touching moments. The story itself is very fascinating and provides some twists that most viewers can't see. This is a story that will definitely surprise people! People of all ages will be satisfied with this movie.

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A Problem-solution Essay By Yu Man Ching Anthony – 2C (34)

Will the materials that help us survive no longer be clean?

Water pollution. It is an extremely serious problem that is caused by us humans over the years. In fact, do you know that over 785 million people can't be supplied with clean water due to water pollution? That is a huge amount of people! As you know, humans are 70% water and need it to survive. That is our basic need to survive, and drinking germs or worm-infested water could possibly damage our bodies and possibly kill us! But it's not just us humans that we are affecting. Millions of fish and many other aquatic animals die due to water pollution that is caused by us disposing trash in the water. In my opinion, this is selfish behaviour costing lives and damaging the environment we all live in. This is a serious problem, and we must take action to solve it - not just people posting hashtags on social media about it to become a social media trend which is forgotten after a month. We. Must. Take. Action. Now.

There are several solutions that most families can do to reduce waste being transferred into the ocean. Firstly, we need to cut down on the usage of artificial products such as cleaning products. Most families use factory products which contain chemicals that could be deadly to consume if leaked into the ocean. Use a brand that says 'natural' and a brand you trust. Use these to reduce chemical waste being potentially leaked into the ocean.

The second solution is to stop littering. There are rubbish bins for you to dispose trash.

Can you put your litter in your pocket until you see one rubbish bin? That isn't that hard right? Disposing trash into the sea or drains can lead to the deaths of animals, because they think that plastic is food. And there is a chance that your food such as fish will have plastic in their stomach!

Thirdly, we should stop throwing chemical waste into the ocean. Factories do that because chemical waste is easier to mix with water, and it isn't much of a fuss removing it. This is extremely deadly to the people who usually swim in the ocean, because the water could be possibly lethal.

In short, water pollution is a serious problem and should be stopped immediately. We all must make water safe for ourselves to drink.

A Problem-solution Essay By Lam Yin Chi – 2E (11)

Light Pollution

Hong Kong is known as the Pearl of the Orient because of its bright skyline at night.

Nevertheless, behind this glamorous metropolitan city, the overuse of outdoor lighting facilities sacrifices Hong Kong's valuable natural resources and citizens' good living environment.

Light pollution has been increasingly rapid and is an environmental problem, which also has similar adverse impacts as other pollution such as air and noise pollution, which has plagued Hong Kong in this decade. Light pollution, also known as photo-pollution or luminous pollution, is the alteration of natural light levels in the outdoor environment owing to artificial light sources. The increase in night sky brightness due to light pollution diminishes the view of stars and planets.

Generally, outdoor lights initially are designed for illuminating a specific area on the ground or wall. But in reality, some light spills out to a much larger area. Some lighting facilities even direct upward, and this causes even much more serious light pollution.

The most direct way to reduce light pollution is to replace low-wattage bulbs, but this isn't suitable for all outdoor lighting in cities. If blue and white light sources can be eliminated significantly, it will greatly help improve urban light pollution. Although the LED power consumption of lighting is low, blue light makes light pollution more serious. If you switch to

white light with warm colors, you can avoid this problem.

A Problem-solution Essay By Wong Chung Ting – 2E (22)

The Solutions for Air Pollution

First, today I am going to talk about the causes of air pollution - people exhausting gas, smoke and dust emitted by fuel combustion in power plants and various types of factories. Also, second-hand smoke, black lamps, refrigerators, refrigerant leaked from air conditioning can all produce air pollution. Vehicles such as steam locomotives, airplanes, trains and ships may cause air pollution to be worse.

Then, if the air pollution becomes worse, that will have many effects. For example, you will have an itchy nose and throat, also wheezing and coughing. Air pollutants increase the risk of cancer too.

Because of these effects, we should have some solutions. If there is no need, turn off the fans, air-conditioners and lights and keep the air-conditioning room temperature at 25.5 degrees Celsius in the summer. The above habits do not only save money and electricity, but also reduce air pollution generated by power.

Besides the above solutions, we should ensure adequate ventilation. Do not block the vents and exhaust pipes. Keep the ventilation system operating normally and check and clean regularly. In addition, most of the kinetic energy of cars comes from gasoline and diesel. The

carbon dioxide and other gases emitted by gasoline and diesel cars make Global Warming more serious. In addition to harmful substances, the exhaust gas emitted by cars also contains nitrogen dioxide. Therefore, we can also replace them with other means of transportation such as electric cars or mass transit systems.

A Problem-solution Essay By Zon Ho Yan -2E (31)

Air Pollution: A Problem to Solve

Due to the fast urban development, environmental problems have been brought under the

limelight as one of the most severe issues. It damages the environment and threatens us with air

pollution.

The first cause of air pollution is factory emissions. Many toxic pollutants have been

given out by the factories into the air. Those chemical gases are the culprit of air pollution.

The second cause is daily consumption from human activities. Human activities like

driving cars and smoking produce lots of greenhouse gases. The air pollution in urban areas is

getting more and more serious because of the rapid needs and growth of city development.

Air pollution leads to certain bad influences. First, it affects human health. Air pollution

causes respiratory illnesses in humans, such as asthma and even lung cancer. Second, it leads to

Global Warming. Greenhouse gases like carbon dioxide quicken Global Warming. It severely

threatens the survival of every living thing.

In order to solve this issue, there are three sound suggestions. First, promoting

environmentally-friendly appliances to replace the low-efficiency and high-emission products. It

will help to reduce the emission of pollutants.

Secondly, regulate the emission rates of factories. Penalties will be given to those factories which produce highly toxic gases or emit excess greenhouse gases.

Third, we should put an emphasis on educating people. Education about the impacts of air pollution should be promoted to the public. For example, suggest people to take public transport instead of driving their own cars.

To conclude, air pollution can be tackled if everyone wishes to protect the environment.

A Letter of Advice By Chan Hau Kwan – 3D (02)

Dear Sam,

Hello Sam. I am so sorry to hear about your problems. I hope that I can give you some advice.

First, you mentioned that you've been feeling stressed out by overwhelming homework and revision. You had to work until midnight every night, and you don't eat properly or hang out with your friends anymore. I feel what you feel. I would be burning out if I were you. It is important to study, but it's not the only thing that's important. Your physical and mental health are much more important than your studies. You've asked me what to do. If I were you, I'd shout in a place with no people there often or listen to music. It's very helpful for me. If you need someone to talk to, you can always find teachers and your parents. You can set up some small task, and give yourself a treat after finishing it.

Following that, you also said that you've been sleeping very badly over the past few weeks, always waking up during midnight and worrying about your studies. You've been experiencing nightmares about forgetting to do revision or failing tests and quizzes. It sounds horrible. I've been there, too. Okay, I suggest you do stretching before going to sleep. It can help your body and brain to relax. Turn off your phone and iPad before going to sleep. Those

two things will distract you from going to sleep. You can listen to music while trying to sleep. That'll help too. What's more, don't take sleeping pills. You'll get addicted to it. They're like 'drugs', but in fact not really. It simply harms your body if you take too many pills.

I hope my advice helped you. Let me know if you want to talk or help.

Good luck!

Ink/Chris Wong

Peer Counsellor

A Letter of Advice By Bosco Wong – 3D (25)

Dear Sam,

I have just received your letter. I am sorry to hear about the problems you are currently facing. I have had some experience with the problems you mentioned. Hopefully, I can offer you some useful advice.

First, you mentioned that you are feeling stressed because of all the homework and revision that you have to do. I understand how you feel. You should try to exercise regularly and take a break when you feel overwhelmed. For secondary students, most of them need to work until midnight. Try to look on the bright side. All the hard work that you put in now will help you in the future. You also said that you didn't have time for rest or a proper dinner. I suggest that you take a fifteen-minute-break for every hour that you study.

In your letter, you also brought up the issue that you are sleeping badly, I think it is important to do something relaxing before bed so that you don't think about your studies all the time. For example, why don't you try listening to your favourite music before bed? It may help you feel less stressed. It sounds very serious when you talked about waking up in the middle of the night and having nightmares. My advice is try not to play video games before going to bed. If things do not improve, you should definitely see a doctor. You talked about your confession regarding sleeping pills. If I were you, I would not take any pills to get some sleep. It is easy to

become dependent on drugs once you start taking them. If possible, try to get some sleep the natural way. For instance, do exercise regularly for one to two hours every day to make yourself feel tired and want to sleep quickly.

I hope that my advice helps in some ways. If you have any more worries or concerns, you can always talk to me. I look forward to your response.

Best,

Chris Wong

Peer Counsellor

A Personal Email

By Lam Tsz Yiu - 4C (17)

Subject: Videotaping is extremely unacceptable in a live performance.

Hello Jasper,

Long time no see! How are you doing? Have you looked at the picture that has caused a

little stir online? It happened during a live performance. Last Saturday, I went to a live

performance of a famous entertainer, Taylor Swift. Guess what? Taylor Swift found herself

being videotaped by a fan with a tripod and professional equipment. 'Please don't!' she yelled

immediately and made a gesture to that person at the same time as she wanted him to stop. The

audience also felt annoyed and glared angrily at him.

First of all, in my opinion, I think it was rude behaviour. It was discourteous. Not only

did that guy ignore Taylor Swift's feelings but also the audience's feelings. It was because

Taylor Swift may have felt disrespected by the actions done by that guy. In addition, it was

absolutely unjust to the audience there who had paid money to get the tickets as they were

distracted. It lessened their enjoyment of watching the live performance.

Secondly, I believe that it was illegal. Since that guy videotaped Taylor Swift without her

approval, it was a copyright infringement. Besides, he would also violate copyright rules if he

had sold the video to others or posted it on social media.

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Best wishes,

Yoyo

A Personal Email

By Lin Pui Ying, Lucy - 4C (23)

To: Jasper

Subject: I feel so disappointed about this!

Dear Jasper,

Hey! How's it going? Guess what! I got a ticket to a live performance by Eva, who's a

famous pop music entertainer! However, there was an incident during the show. I'd like to share

with you about what happened that day and how I think about it.

The performance went smoothly at first. All of us were joyful and enjoyed the show.

Suddenly, Eva stopped singing. She found herself being videotaped by a fan with a tripod

and professional equipment. She stopped the fan from doing it seriously. Someone took a picture

and put it on the internet. It has been widely discussed online.

It's not allowed to videotape at the live performance. If the fan uploads the video to the

internet, everyone will see it, and there will be less people willing to buy tickets for the

performance because they know that they can watch it online for free! That's not good news for

all the entertrainers who always hold live performances. Another issue is that he wants to sell the

video to the fans who didn't get tickets to make a profit. It's worse than putting it on the internet!

No matter what he wants to do, videotaping at the live performance without permission is illegal! I think Eva was correct, and I hope this kind of problem won't happen again. It's more exciting to watch it live, isn't it?

I want to hear your opinion too. Drop me a line soon.

From,

Lucy

A Personal Email Chan Chun To - 4D (01)

Dear Jasper,

Hello! We haven't talked in a while. How have things been?

So, you know that picture about a guy videotaping Jasmine, the famous entertainer? Guess what? I was at the show too! I can tell you that things were chaotic. Not only did he not stop after Jasmine told him to, he also kicked me because I was 'disturbing' him! How rude of him! Fortunately, he got kicked out of the show quickly. The unfortunate part is my leg got injured so I needed to go to the hospital and couldn't watch the full show.

To be honest, it concerns me why there was no security system for such a big show. For real, why was a tripod allowed in the show anyways? Wouldn't a concert have certain rules to deal with that? What worries me more is that there will only be more of this happening if reliable security isn't formed. And those 'crazy fans' will have different ways to spoil our experience. It will also affect the talented performances as well as disturbing the audience.

I think it is necessary for the organizer to set up rules that forbid the usage of unnecessary items in the show, such as tripods and flashlights. There should also be a penalty for bringing illegal items into the show. Aside from the main show, it is important to behave ourselves to avoid arguments such as for who got a seat first. That way we could have enjoyable moments watching the entertainer's performance!

Overall, the most effective solution is for the show to set up reliable security and suitable rules. Meanwhile, we should behave ourselves to enjoy the show. What are your views on this incident? I am looking forward to your answer.

Yours,

Carl

A Debate Script By Cheung Chun Ling Janet - 4D (06)

Good morning everyone.

I strongly believe that the development of glamping sites in Hong Kong's country parks is not a bad idea. Before I begin, let me define the motion for you. 'Glamping' refers to a type of camping that is more comfortable and luxurious than traditional camping. The word is a mixture of 'glamorous' and 'camping'.

Now to my arguments. In my opinion, developing glamping can boost the local economy by promoting tourism. To draw tourists' attention, developing glamping is a great idea.

According to the Hong Kong Government Factsheets, the tourism industry is one of the major pillars of the Hong Kong economy. It contributed around 4.5% of Hong Kong's GDP. The point I wish to make is that tourism is an indispensable part of Hong Kong's economy. According to an article published in Young Post, people are eager to find new venues to spend holidays. By attracting tourists to go for adventure and relaxation in Hong Kong - the Oriental Pearl can boost the local economy. It is my point of view that the development of glamping sites in Hong Kong's country parks is conducive to generating income for local tourism, which will bring a hundred merits and no harm.

Apart from this, glamping can also educate the public about nature conservation. People

can explore nature and appreciate the fascinating environment surrounding the glamping sites. The point is that glamping also promotes a sense of protection to treasure precious natural resources. Picture this scene: you are spending a wonderful time with your family in a glamping site near Mong Kok or Tsim Sha Tsui. In such a memorable moment, something appears to destroy your vacation in a glamping site, which is the problem of light and noise pollution in Hong Kong. You would surely like to do something for your homeland, right? The point I would like to make is that not only can we know more about Hong Kong through glamping, but glamping also raises our awareness of protecting our beloved home. People may argue that there are no tourists from overseas due to the COVID-19 restrictions; however, they are mistaken. According to the restrictions, travelling overseas is not allowed. It is no overstatement to say that most people in Hong Kong are travel lovers. Yet, the pandemic has dashed many hopes of getting around. Local citizens are now the target consumers of glamping since they cannot travel overseas during this hard time. The majority of people who have gone glamping reported that they think this gives families the fun of the outdoors without the stress and hassle of traditional camping. Glamping spices up people's tedious lives and brings out the inner beauty of Hong Kong. People wish to experience holidays in relaxing places. Glamping provides a getaway from city life, which perfectly matches Hong Kong people's needs. From my point of view, local people can also be "tourists".

So in conclusion, ladies and gentlemen, the development of glamping sites in Hong Kong's country parks can boost the local economy by promoting tourism, and educate the public about nature conservation. Glamping in Hong Kong may bring you experiences and insights that you have never thought of before. Therefore, the motion must fall. Thank you.

A Letter of Advice By Cheung Chun Ling Janet - 4D (06)

Dear Jo.

I'm glad that you trust me enough to tell me about your problem. I totally understand how you feel at the moment. I feel sympathetic to you. Living in an environment with smelly garbage and a noisy background is really uncomfortable. I completely understand your grumbles, and I've experienced things like this before.

As we're in S4, we always feel stressed due to our homework. Having a good night's sleep is important. If I were you, I would definitely toss and turn the whole night with the noise made by your neighbour. I suggest you raise your concern to the building management office about the nuisance. You should also put in earplugs to block out sound. I've had bad sleeping quality with just a bit of sound before, but, after I wore earplugs, my insomnia was gone. It really works! You must try it!

I agree that leaving the public garbage bin uncovered is disgusting. This is hazardous to health, especially during the pandemic. Many rats and cockroaches will be attracted to your building. How disgusting! Why don't you talk to your neighbour about the hygiene problem? Communication is always the recipe for harmony. You should keep calm and reach a compromise with him.

After all, what your building needs is neither criticism nor anger, but care and sympathy.
Let's work together to create an enjoyable living environment! I hope you cheer up soon!
Best wishes,
Alex

SBA Book Report By Chen Hok Ting, Kelly - 5D (06)

Good morning everyone, I would like to share a fiction called 'Three Days to See' by Helen Keller. It tells the true story of the author, Helen Keller, who lost her sight and hearing. The book talks about Helen's school career. She warned that we should cherish life.

There is no doubt that 'Three Days to See' is an inspiring book for everyone. Helen Keller said in the book that it would be a blessing if each human being went blind and deaf for a few days sometime during their early adult life. It makes me realize that I take many things in life for granted. I always complain about things that I may not have but never stop to appreciate what I do have. It is unfair for Helen Keller and those people. Therefore, I will start to feel grateful for everything I have.

It is believed that Helen Keller is worth being studied by us. At the beginning, Helen was disappointed in life, facing life with negative thoughts. She was irritable and often lost her temper until she met a tutor, Anne Sullivan, who changed her life. With the help of Sullivan and Helen's tenacious will, she finally graduated from Harvard University successfully. I really admire her optimistic attitude. Helen accepted the challenge of life, embraced the world with love, and faced difficulties with amazing perseverance. I learnt that if I face difficulties, I should never give up and should try to solve any problems along the way.

From my point of view, Helen Keller is a miracle. Just like what American writer Mark Twain said, 'There were two strange men in the nineteenth century, one is Napoleon and the other is Helen Keller.' One time I closed my eyes and plugged my ears to feel the world. I tried to walk but I failed because it was too scary and difficult for me. Compared to Helen, I felt that I was insignificant and cowardly. Helen dedicated her life to the welfare and education of the blind. She won praises from people all over the world and received awards from many governments. I will learn from Helen and become a person who contributes to society.

If she just had three days to see, Helen would treat every day as precious and complete everything seriously. If there were only three days of light, how would you spend those precious three days? Maybe I will learn from Helen and cherish all the moments of life to understand the true meaning of life.

DSE Past Paper Part B By Ho Chun Ho - 5D (12)

Dear Ms Lee,

On behalf of the Student Union and all fellow students, I am writing to air my opinion on the 'Locker Policy' in our school. Regrettably, lockers are inadequate in our school and cannot be made available to every student. The Student Union recently collected views from different classes concerning this issue and the majority of students demanded that lockers should be provided to each of them. As far as the policy is concerned, there are three major reasons leading to this conclusion.

To commence with, students need to carry piles of books and exercise books around if they do not have lockers. This situation is more severe when it comes to senior form students. Under the backdrop of education reform, teachers are forced to have fast paced lessons so that they can finish the curriculum as soon as possible. Students, therefore, are resigned to taking more textbooks to school every day. The reality is that they need to do so for all seven subjects they study. What makes matters worse is that most textbooks nowadays are still with traditional binding, which means that they cannot be separated. How can students bear such a heavy load every day, and do it for six years?

In fact, some surveys have pointed out that prolonged heavy loads on students' shoulders will lead to public health problems. Physically, they will suffer from shoulder pain and cause the

appearance of 'A-shaped' shoulders. More students will need to consult doctors and undergo physiotherapy. Spiritually, they will fall victim to emotional harm due to frequent shoulder pain. This adversely and absolutely affects their study schedules and concentration, and will eventually lower the effectiveness of their studies. I am sure our principal does not want to see this happening.

Although the lockers available now are for different clubs to store stuff, it is not surprising that some committee members and chairpersons put their personal belongings inside the lockers. As a result, this is definitely unfair to those ordinary students. This policy is entirely at odds with our school motto - 'Love, Wisdom and Fairness'. Schools should be a place of providing fair education and a caring environment so as to nurture our future pillars of society. Therefore, it is strongly recommended that this policy should be changed.

Despite the fact that our school doesn't have sufficient space to put lockers, it is suggested they could be placed in the corridor. For one thing, this helps avoid overcrowding in the classrooms; for another, the empty space and corners in the schools can be utilized. Some may also criticize that students may go out of the classroom to take their books during class time and it will disturb the lessons. However, it is proposed that a regulation should be set up to restrict pupils from getting back their stuff from lockers so that the learning atmosphere can be maintained.

Apart from unfairness, another problem is safety. As no designated spaces are provided for storing their personal belongings, there is no doubt that they would be stored inside the drawers. Therefore, students will be at risk since their belongings may be stolen. The articles are

not limited to valuable wallets and mobile phones, but may also include a wide variety of materials ranging from tutorial school notes to homework. It is shown clearly that students' belongings will be insecure if lockers are not provided for everyone.

For those opposing this suggestion, they might point out that some pupils will use lockers to store unauthorized articles, such as electronic game consoles. Undoubtedly, they negatively depict their school's image. However, it is suggested that this issue can be solved if their school has the right to open a student's locker in case a student is suspected. To sum up, setting up lockers for everyone in school is feasible and can benefit students.

In essence, it is clear that there is an urgent need to provide lockers to all students so that everyone can release their pressure from heavy school bags and security concerns. We truly understand the technical difficulties the school faces regarding the installation of lockers, but it is more important for the school to meet our needs and to provide a good learning environment for us. It is highly appreciated that you are concerned about this issue and hope you can take our opinion into consideration. Thank you!

Yours Sincerely,

Christ Wong

Chairperson of the Student Union

SBA Book Report By Tang Tsz Ching - 5D (25)

Most people think that teenagers don't have the concentration to read books, but Jay Asher's 2007 epic novel '13 Reasons Why' proves them wrong. There are ample reasons why I was compelled, captivated and mesmerised when reading this book. I learned my lesson through witnessing the tragedy. The story incontrovertibly made a profound effect on my behaviour as well. If you would like to learn more about this inspiring story, read on!

The story is mainly about the high school student Hannah Baker, who committed suicide. She recorded the tapes regarding the 13 reasons why she committed suicide before she ended her own life. Another main character, Clay Jensen, who was Hannah's classmate as well, played the role of narrator of the story along with Hannah. What happened to Hannah was a tragedy. It is not difficult to find out that there was bullying. The first 5 tapes showed that Hannah was misrepresented in rumors that spread around school. These rumors adversely impacted Hannah. She struggled to fit in, was betrayed and abused by peers. What is even more dreadful, when Hannah made one last attempt to ask for help and wanted to hear a solution from her guidance counselor, Mr. Porter, he told her to 'move on'. Admittedly, the indifference of Mr. Porter erased the last silver lining for Hannah, causing her to commit suicide by taking pills.

After reading Hannah's soul-stirring story, not only did I feel sorrowful and mournful, but I also learned a lesson from it.

First and foremost, a seemingly small action actually causes a detrimental and catastrophic impact on others, leading them to go on a path of no return. From the novel, Alex Standall and Courtney Crimson played a cruel trick on Hannah so as to tease her. It may be tempting to conclude that this is just a joke among teenagers. However, you may overlook and shun the hidden problems which are lurking behind the 'funny' jokes - the drawbacks that arise from the jokes may pose a far-reaching effect on the victim's both mental and physical health and can even cause death, just like Hannah in the novel.

To shut the floodgates and stop the bullying, we must take prompt action, not just watching from the sidelines and sitting on your hands. If we do nothing, we are doomed to fail in protecting the victim. When witnessing a similar case to Hannah's, it is imperative for us to stand tall and be brave to halt this tragedy from happening and get a helping hand from trustworthy teachers or adults. Simultaneously, teachers and parents are obligated to steep children's minds in good values and explain to them how to help when encountering bullying. Apart from overcoming the obstacles to stand up for them, it is paramount for us to think twice before saying something deliberately that impacts others. After all, an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of care. We ought to be aware of others' feelings and emotions, and solve the problem at its root to remedy this devastating issue.

On the whole, this phenomenal and laudable book reminds me to act cautiously, care for others' feelings, and avoid hurting others. I hold the belief that this story is also able to tug at your heartstrings. It is well worth a read.

A Recommendation (Question no. 7) By Chan Cheuk Yiu - 6A (01)

Must-try local food in Hong Kong

In Hong Kong, there are many different types of restaurants that you can choose from, maybe Japanese cuisine, Korean or fast food restaurants. But I would like to introduce some popular types of local restaurants in Hong Kong.

The first one is the *dai pai dong*. It is a type of open-air food stall. It was very popular back in the 50s and 60s. Nowadays, people still love to go to *dai pai dongs* to enjoy the local food, despite it being hot to eat in a place without air conditioners, especially in the summer. But why do people still love to eat in these places? Actually, the dishes in *dai pai dongs* are full of 'wok hei', which means the food cooked under a very high temperature. Hence there is a smoky flavour which makes the dishes look appetizing and makes everyone's mouthwater. There are some dishes you must try in a *dai pai dong*, such as stir-fried beef fillet with black pepper, salt-and-pepper squid, sweet and sour pork ribs, oyster omelette, black bean clams, and crab with garlic and chili sauce. These are very popular and scrumptious dishes in *dai pai dongs*.

The second one is *cha chaan teng*. This type of restaurant is very common in Hong Kong. I can say that there is always a *cha chaan teng* nearby. Many local people dine in *cha chaan tengs* almost every day. The food choice there is much more than that in *dai pai dongs*. The price is also cheaper than in other restaurants. You might have 'decidophobia' when you are

choosing food from the menu. Fried rice and fried noodles in *cha chaan tengs* taste really good. I recommend the egg white and dried scallop fried rice, Hong Kong style western fried rice, golden fried rice, fried rice with minced beef, stir-fried beef noodles, and Singaporean fried rice noodles. When it is tea time, local people like to have tea in *cha chaan tengs*. They usually order Hong Kong Style french toast, egg tarts, or pineapple buns. There are also some 'all-day sets,' which usually includes macaroni soup with ham or *gong zai mein*. If you don't want to think about what to eat, you can choose this one. For the drinks, there are many classic drinks in *cha chaan tengs* that you must try. The first one is Hong Kong style milk tea. I believe that you may know this. It is silky and flavourful. The second one is *yuen yeung* which is a mixed drink of milk and coffee. The third one is red bean ice. It is a drink made with sweetened red beans, evaporated milk, a scoop of vanilla ice cream and crushed ice. Other common drinks are ice lemon tea, cocoa, ice lemon water, and so on.

The last one is the Chinese restaurant. Local people call it 'yum cha'. There are no special drinks other than tea. The must-try foods are the steamed shrimp dumplings, barbecued pork bun, custard bun, fried tofu, and spring rolls. My three favorite things are *shiu mai*, spring rolls. and Cantonese sponge cake which I highly recommend. There are also some Chinese desserts such as soy milk pudding, red bean cakes, mango pudding, and *lo mai chi*. People who dine in Chinese restaurants are usually the elderly, especially in the morning. Mostly, *yum cha* is for gatherings or celebrations such as "Hundred-Day Banquets" and weddings.

These are the restaurants and local food that I recommend. You can try these when you come to Hong Kong!

A Picture Story By Chan Yu Ching - 1A (05)

A Robbery in a Jewelry Shop

A Gun Fight in Mong Kok

Yesterday, a robbery happened in Mong Kok. People originally bought some jewelry.

Suddenly, two robbers wore a mask and rushed into Happy's Jewelry Shop. Some customers were very scared. One of the robbers pointed a gun at the security guard. The security guard put hands up resignedly. And one of the salespeople pressed the alarm, and a robber ordered him to put up his hands. The police came immediately afterwards.

One of the robbers ordered everyone to squat down and put two hands behind their heads. The other robber smashed the jewelry display cases at once. They took all the jewelry. The police just arrived in time. The police shouted, 'Hands up! We are the police!' The robbers surrendered and put down their guns. The police held the customers and other citizens to make a statement.

Finally, the two robbers were arrested and sent to prison. There were many bad people at the prison. Most of them had also stolen goods.

An Article on a New Sport By Lai Ho Yi - 1A (13)

New Tic Tac Toe

The old Tic Tac Toe is played on paper. And it can just be played by two people. The new Tic Tac Toe is just like that game. I played this new game in PE lessons because this game I can play with many of my friends. We can play it together. We can train our teamwork.

The game is played on a grid that's 3 squares by 3 squares. Then, you are "hula hoops," and your friends may be "beanbags". Players take turns putting their marks in a row to be the winner. But when all 9 squares are full, the game is over.

We need to prepare some hula hoops, beanbags, sticks, chalk and colour bands. We need to prepare some chalk to draw 9 squares. We need to wear sports clothes and sports shoes. We can play this game in the hall or at the covered playground.

I feel excited after trying this new game in PE lessons. Yes, I want to play this game again, because it is exciting for me. I want to ask more people to try. I don't want to change any parts of this game. Because I think this game is good, there is no need to change the parts.

A Picture Story

By Lam Wing Wai - 1A (15)

A Robber Undercover

This afternoon, my boss ordered me and my robber friends to rob a famous jewelry store

because the company was short of money. I went to the jewelry store with my "fake" husband to

pretend to buy a ring, and then I secretly let my friends in, as the case may have been.

My robber friends came, dressed in black and with masks, shouting, 'Hands on your head

and squat down!' The nearby salesmen were so frightened that their mouths were opened wide.

One of the robbers saw the security guard next to him. He quickly pointed his gun at the security

guard.

But they didn't discover the cashier had been sneaky in pressing the alarm. When I found

that out, I told them secretly, but they didn't understand what I meant. So they ignored me. In the

meantime, one of the robbers fired their gun and the other robber smashed the jewelry display

case.

Unfortunately, the police came when they were found running away with the money. The

police shot at the robbers. In an instant, they threw all their guns on the ground and raised their

hands.

Finally, they were taken away by the police. And as an undercover agent, I dare not to say a word nor testify in the court. I can only secretly take a piece of jewelry, and go far away without returning.

An Article on a New Sport By Wong Ying Yiu - 1A (26)

Tic Tac Toe Level-up

The old Tic Tac Toe was played on paper and used pens. I liked playing this so much when I was a child. But now I like playing the new Tic Tac Toe so much more. The new Tic Tac Toe is played using bean bags, and chalk. I think PE teachers want to train our teamwork.

How to play?

This new game is a team game with three people in a group. First, we draw nine boxes on the ground with chalk. Then we and the opposing team are 50 meters away from the boxes. We have different colours of bean bags and take turns to pick the bean bag and run towards the nine boxes. Then we throw a bean bag into a box. If a team can throw three bean bags in a horizontal, vertical, or diagonal row then that team will be the winner. When we play this new game, we should wear sportswear and sports shoes. We can play this new game on the playground or in an open area.

What do you feel?

I always feel very excited when playing this game.

A Picture Story By Lau Tsz Kei - 1C (12)

A Robbery in Jewellery Shop

Yesterday afternoon, the robbers wore masks and took guns to break into a jewellery shop. The customers were afraid when they saw them.

One of the robbers pointed a gun at the security guard. Therefore, the security guard didn't do anything to the robbers. Another robber pointed a gun at the staff, but the staff pressed the alarm quietly, and the police came to the shop.

The robbers fired their guns and smashed the jewellery display cases. The customers were scared and dared not to speak or move.

Suddenly, a policeman arrived at the shop, and shot at the robbers. The policemen shouted, 'Hands up!' The robbers were very afraid, and they immediately put down their guns.

They tried to run but the policemen intercepted them, preventing them from running away. Finally, they got punished. They did not only hand over the goods they stole, but also went to jail. They regretted having robbed the shop. They also learnt a lesson.

A Picture Story By Pan Hau Tang – 1C (23)

Last week, there were two robbers who broke into a jewellery shop. They all wore masks. 'Robbery!' the robber shouted. The staff and the security guard saw it, and they were frightened.

One of them pointed a gun at the security guard. He felt fear. 'Put up your hands', said the robber. The security guard put his hands up and said, 'Don't kill me!'

Another robber instructed the staff to go away from the display cases and ordered him to put up his hands. But at that time, the staff pressed the alarm to let the police come. The robbers did not know it.

After that, a robber fired his gun. The salespersons were so scared. He said, 'Squat down and don't say anything.' The salespersons squatted down and closed their eyes. Another robber smashed the jewellery display cases. He put a lot of jewellery in his handbag.

After a while, they put all the jewellery in the bag and they were ready to go out. But at that time, the police came. 'Surrender, robbers!' the police shot at the robbers. The robbers put up their hands, and their guns were thrown on the floor. They felt confused about how the police could find them.

In the end, the robbers were caught, and the jewellery was returned. No one was injured.

I hope this incident won't happen again,

A Picture Story By Leung Wan He, Whitney – 1D (19)

Two Robbers in the Jewellery Shop

Last weekend, two robbers, because of having no money, planned to rob a jewellery shop. The police knew that. They dispatched Joey to disguise as a salesperson. Joey got up early to carry out the plan.

At about two o'clock, two robbers were black clothes and headgear to break into the jewellery shop. The salesperson and customers shouted. Joey was afraid, but her heart reflected what would happen.

One of the robbers pointed a gun at the security guard. The security guard put his hands up. 'Don't call the police. If you call them, I will kill you,' the robber said.

The other robber said the same words. While Joey had her hands up, she quietly pressed the alarm. Then a robber turned around. One robber shouted, 'Hands on your head and squat down.'

When one robber fired their gun, the other robber was smashing the jewellery display cases. After that, he put the jewellery into the bags. They wanted to go, but at the door front stood two people.

These two people were the police. One of them ordered, 'Stop walking and hands up. I don't want to kill people!'

The police shot at the robbers. The robbers threw their guns and hands up. They did not know why their plan was exposed. They went to the police station by police car. They could not believe this timid person was a police officer.

A Picture Story By Lo Cheuk Tung – 1D (20)

A Robber in a Jewellery Shop

Yesterday morning, there was a robbery in the Happy Jewellery Shop. Luckily, no one was injured in this case.

That morning, two robbers with masks broke into the Happy Jewellery Shop. They intimidated the staff and passersby by firing their guns. Then, the robbers pointed a gun at the security guard. He was frightened so he put his hands up and surrendered.

Another robber threatened the staff. However, the staff was smart. He used his right hand to keep his hand up and used his left hand to press the alarm button underneath. When the policemen received an alert, they came to the site quickly.

While waiting for the arrival of the police, a robber fired his gun loudly. The customers covered their ears. At the same time, another robber smashed the jewellery display cases with a hammer. The glass was broken everywhere. The scene was very chaotic.

Soon, the police arrived in time. They pointed their guns at the robbers.

'Stop your behavior! Otherwise we will shoot!' the police warned. The robbers put down their guns and surrendered.

Finally, the robbers were arrested by the police and were interrogated. Although no one was injured, the jewellery shop lost a lot. Luckily, the goods were recovered.