

# The Westcoast Reader

## Teachers' Notes



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The exercises in these Teachers' Notes provide learning activities for a wide range of learners. They focus on helping learners develop reading strategies; increase their vocabulary; and improve their grammar, spelling, and pronunciation. Resources are included for extension activities and a discussion is included to help improve speaking and listening.

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Answers
<p><b>Finish the Sentences (TN2)</b></p> <p>There can be a variety of responses for this exercise.</p>
<p><b>Dos and Don'ts (TN2)</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Do keep small children and dogs inside at dusk and dawn.</li> <li>Do make yourself big.</li> <li>Do pick up a stick and/or fight back.</li> <li>Don't go near cougar cubs or a cougar eating.</li> <li>Don't run.</li> <li>Don't turn your back.</li> </ol>
<p><b>Hockey is Canada's favourite winter sport! (TN3)</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>hockey</li> <li>playing</li> <li>players</li> <li>ice</li> <li>rinks</li> <li>frozen</li> <li>driveways</li> <li>top</li> </ol>
<p><b>Fill in the Blanks (TN4)</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>British Columbia</li> <li>Cardiopulmonary resuscitation</li> <li>Goods and services tax</li> <li>Harmonized sales tax</li> <li>International Center for Agricultural Research in Dry Areas</li> <li>Immigrant Parents as Literacy Supporters</li> <li>Royal Canadian Mounted Police</li> <li>University of British Columbia</li> <li>West Coast Reader</li> </ol>

Resources & Discussion																																																																																										
<p><b>Should I file my taxes? (WCR1)</b></p> <p>CRA Series: Newcomers to Canada and the Canadian Tax System  <a href="http://www.cra-arc.gc.ca/vdglry/ndvdl/srs-nwcmrs-eng.html">http://www.cra-arc.gc.ca/vdglry/ndvdl/srs-nwcmrs-eng.html</a></p>																																																																																										
<p><b>Soil Mate makes finding fresh food easier (WCR2)</b></p> <p>Ask students if they are willing to pay more to buy locally produced food. Discuss why, or why not.</p>																																																																																										
<p><b>Find the Words (WCR3)</b></p> <table border="1"> <tbody> <tr><td>b</td><td>n</td><td>l</td><td>u</td><td>p</td><td>m</td><td>e</td><td>f</td><td>t</td><td>r</td></tr> <tr><td>i</td><td>h</td><td>a</td><td>k</td><td>w</td><td>e</td><td>w</td><td>p</td><td>n</td><td>s</td></tr> <tr><td>p</td><td>e</td><td>n</td><td>d</td><td>s</td><td>d</td><td>s</td><td>o</td><td>v</td><td>d</td></tr> <tr><td>u</td><td>c</td><td>c</td><td>t</td><td>k</td><td>a</td><td>a</td><td>c</td><td>e</td><td>e</td></tr> <tr><td>c</td><td>k</td><td>g</td><td>o</td><td>a</td><td>l</td><td>c</td><td>n</td><td>e</td><td>t</td></tr> <tr><td>k</td><td>e</td><td>v</td><td>b</td><td>t</td><td>m</td><td>z</td><td>f</td><td>c</td><td>h</td></tr> <tr><td>i</td><td>y</td><td>e</td><td>t</td><td>e</td><td>a</td><td>m</td><td>o</td><td>w</td><td>l</td></tr> <tr><td>s</td><td>i</td><td>r</td><td>a</td><td>s</td><td>s</td><td>i</td><td>s</td><td>t</td><td>f</td></tr> <tr><td>r</td><td>i</td><td>n</td><td>k</td><td>s</td><td>y</td><td>q</td><td>e</td><td>x</td><td>j</td></tr> </tbody> </table>	b	n	l	u	p	m	e	f	t	r	i	h	a	k	w	e	w	p	n	s	p	e	n	d	s	d	s	o	v	d	u	c	c	t	k	a	a	c	e	e	c	k	g	o	a	l	c	n	e	t	k	e	v	b	t	m	z	f	c	h	i	y	e	t	e	a	m	o	w	l	s	i	r	a	s	s	i	s	t	f	r	i	n	k	s	y	q	e	x	j
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## Finish the Sentences

Finish each sentence with information from *The Westcoast Reader*.

1. Ahmed Hussen \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Brenda Butterworth-Carr \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Earth Day \_\_\_\_\_.
4. Easter \_\_\_\_\_.
5. Mary \_\_\_\_\_.
6. New Westminster \_\_\_\_\_.
7. Soil Mate \_\_\_\_\_.
8. The Global Seed Vault \_\_\_\_\_.
9. Vaisakhi \_\_\_\_\_.

## Dos and Don'ts

Write three things to do and three things not to do if you see a cougar.

1. Do \_\_\_\_\_
2. Do \_\_\_\_\_
3. Do \_\_\_\_\_
4. Don't \_\_\_\_\_
5. Don't \_\_\_\_\_
6. Don't \_\_\_\_\_

## Hockey is Canada's favourite winter sport!

Fill in the blanks with the words from the list.

Canadians love \_\_\_\_\_. Canadian boys and girls start \_\_\_\_\_ hockey as young children.

In the winter, \_\_\_\_\_ wear skates. They play on \_\_\_\_\_. They play in community centre \_\_\_\_\_ or outside on \_\_\_\_\_ ponds, lakes and rivers. In the summer, kids play without skates in \_\_\_\_\_ and on the street.

Many of the \_\_\_\_\_ hockey players in the world are Canadians.

frozen

top

players

rinks

driveways

hockey

ice

playing

## Find the Words

Find the words in the puzzle.  
Some go down and some go across.

hockey

pond

skates

goal

team

medal

point

puck

ice

net

assist

rinks

b	n	l	u	p	m	e	f	t	r
i	h	a	k	w	e	w	p	n	s
p	o	n	d	s	d	s	o	v	d
u	c	c	t	k	a	a	i	c	e
c	k	g	o	a	l	c	n	e	t
k	e	v	b	t	m	z	t	c	h
i	y	e	t	e	a	m	o	w	l
s	i	r	a	s	s	i	s	t	f
r	i	n	k	s	y	q	e	x	j

## Abbreviations and Acronyms

Abbreviations are made from the first letters of words. When we say them, we say each letter (personal computer – PC). Acronyms are also made from the first letters of words. We say them as full words (North Atlantic Treaty Organization – NATO).

Work with a partner and find the words that make these abbreviations and acronyms. Some answers are in *The Westcoast Reader* and some are not.

_____	1. BC
_____	2. CPR
_____	3. GST
_____	4. HST
_____	5. ICARDA
_____	6. IPALS
_____	7. RCMP
_____	8. UBC
_____	9. WCR

## First Aid

What do you think about first aid training? Is it important? Why, or why not? Write your ideas on the lines below.

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