

THE PRIMARY PLANET

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**TIMETABLE
FOR THE WEEK**



**WORKSHEETS
FOR THE WEEK**



THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MENTAL MATHS CHALLENGE	MENTAL MATHS CHALLENGE	MENTAL MATHS CHALLENGE	MENTAL MATHS CHALLENGE	MENTAL MATHS CHALLENGE
DAILY QUIZ	DAILY QUIZ	DAILY QUIZ	DAILY QUIZ	DAILY QUIZ
FUTOSHIKI PUZZLE	FUTOSHIKI PUZZLE	FUTOSHIKI PUZZLE	FUTOSHIKI PUZZLE	FUTOSHIKI PUZZLE
REPORT WRITING	PARAGRAPH PROJECT	HAVE YOUR SAY	POETRY: OCEANS DAY	MY EARLIEST SCHOOL MEMORIES
COMPREHENSION	EDIT THE EDITOR	CLOZE TEST TIME	MATHS STORY	VOCABULARY CONSTABULARY

Answer Sheet for your daily

MENTAL MATHS

15 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. Ready? Let's go!

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Answer Sheet for your daily

JUST-2-MINUTES 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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WORLD OCEANS DAY

This week's report writing activity invites you to read through the information text below and, using your report writing skills, create a short report on some of the issues facing our oceans. This must contain key and useful information. Here are some guidelines on what report writing involves:

Reports are written to describe or classify the way things are or seem to be.

They organise and record information.

Reports are often organised by classification, description and summarising comments.

The features of report writing are almost always written in present tense and use specific vocabulary.

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Our Oceans, Our Future

OCEAN NEWS

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Plastic Pollutes Paradise

Henderson Island, a tiny uninhabited member of The Cocos Islands – a horseshoe chain of 26 small islands 2,100km north-west of Australia – should be a paradise island that people would never want to leave.

Its sandy beaches, tropical trees and crystal-blue waters are the perfect elements needed to create a dream setting. However, due to human pollution, the island is now home to over 40 million pieces of plastic!

The 18 tonnes of waste that have washed ashore over the last number of years is almost all plastic, with up to two-thirds of it buried deep beneath the sands. Worse still, it is estimated that up to 13,000 new items are washing onto the shores every day.

Dr Jennifer Lavers, of the University of Tasmania's Institute for Marine and Antarctic Studies, spoke to reporters, explaining:

'I've travelled to some of the most far-flung islands in the world and, regardless of where I've gone, in what year, and in what area of the ocean, the story is generally the same: the beaches are littered with evidence of human activity ...

'However, my thought was the remarkable remoteness of Henderson Island would have afforded it some protection. I was totally wrong. The quantity left me speechless and that's why I went to such pains to document it in such detail.

'And if you think, shame on the people of that area, think again.

'Across the board, no country got a free pass on this – we found bottles from Germany, containers from Canada and, I think, a fishing crate from New Zealand. What that says is we all have a responsibility in this, and we have to sit up and pay attention to that.'

When Dr Lavers began investigating the surrounding islands, she was met with even more mind-blowing levels of pollution.

In fact, her team of scientists conducting the pollution studies calculated that the islands are littered with 238 tonnes of plastic, and estimate that over 370 million pieces of plastic lies buried under sand.

Dr Lavers went on to issue a warning: 'For me, marine plastic pollution is the new climate change, but I would like for us to not make the same mistakes. We've been arguing about climate change, and whether it exists and what is changing, for the better part of 40 years. Let's not wait for more science. Let's not debate it. The rate of plastic in our oceans is absolutely phenomenal, and we need to do something ... now!'



40-QUIZ (PART I)

Pens out, guys! This month's 40-quiz is based on the pages of TPP's June issue. E.g. The answer to Q.33 can be found on page 33.
This week, Part IV features the pages 31-42.

QUESTIONS

1. How many novels did Charles Dickens write?
2. Achill Island is in which county?
3. This European country is experimenting with herd immunity.
4. Midleton is in which Irish county?
5. In which Irish county is Lough Ennell?
6. What age is Kane Tanaka?
7. Where is Badain Jaran Desert?
8. What was the name of the Parnell estate in Co. Wicklow?
9. George Geary was Graham Walter's _____.
10. What is the name of the actress who plays the part of Hua Mulan?

ANSWERS

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Don't forget, you can also enter your answers online, in the comment box provided.

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EDIT THE EDITOR

This grammar activity is based on an article from an issue of The Primary Planet about the Citizenship Ceremony of 2018. Read through the article and see if you can spot the 10 spelling mistakes, the 5 missing capital letters and the 5 missing full stops.

NEW IRISH CITIZENS

Ireland welcomed more than 3,000 new citizens from over 120 countrys at ceremonies in Killarney, Co Kerry, on November 26. this was the second Citizenship Ceremony of 2018 Over 122,000 people, from 181 countries have become Irish citizens since these ceremonies began in 2011. The top ten countries from which our new citezens came in the past seven years are: poland, India, Nigeria, Romeania, Philippines, Pakistan, China, Ukrain, South Africa and Bangladesh

The Minister of State for Equallity, Immigration and Integration, David Stanton told those who took part in the ceremony: 'On becoming Irish citizens you have the same rights, the same dutys and the same responsibilities as every other irish citizen' Minister Stanton asked the new citizens to become active in their local communities in Ireland, to be good citizens and to uphold the law.

'you are now begining a new journey and a new phrase of your life as our newest Irish citizens,' mr Stanton said He wished their lives would now be a journey full of hope, with a bright new future as members of the great Irish globel family'

SPELLINGS		CAPITALS	WORD BEFORE FULLSTOP
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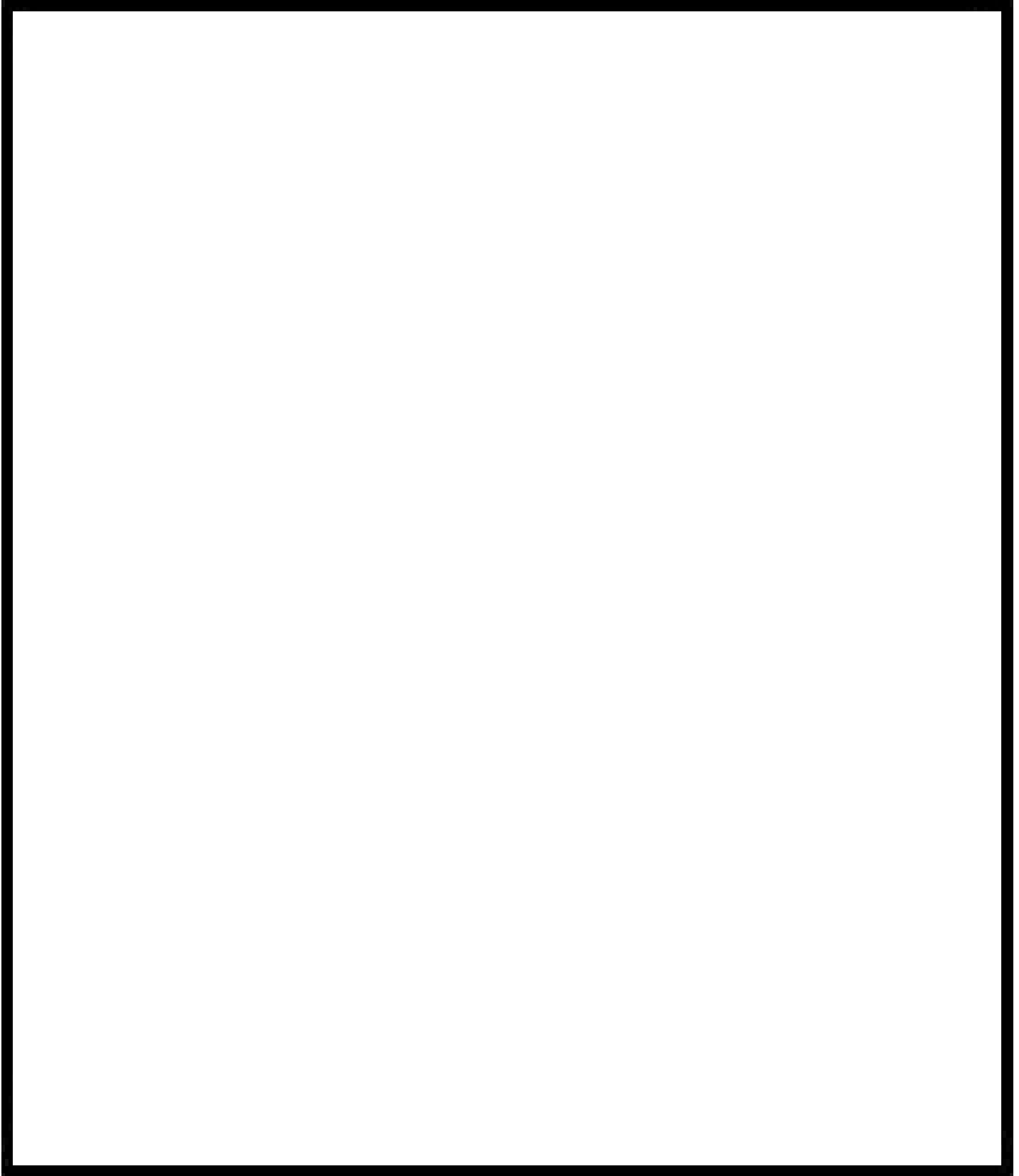
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Persuasive Writing Activity: Wednesday, June 10

SAVE OUR OCEANS!

In Have Your Say this week, we want you to use all your persuasive writing (and art) skills to create a poster for World Oceans Day. Remember, you get one chance to capture your audience, so make your appeal the best you can!

Tip: Our Oceans rely on us all to do all we can. Your poster should get this important message across.



COUNTY FACT-IVITY

Each week we present a county of Ireland in all its facts and glory. The only trouble is, 10 words are needed to complete the piece. Have a careful read and see if you can figure out the missing words to complete the facts.

When you do, fill in the blanks below or list them 1-10 in the online comment box provided.

WESTMEATH

Ice	trout	centre	constructed	fifth
hills	swans	underneath	bordered	melting

Westmeath is a landlocked county in the _____ (1) of Ireland. Its Irish name Contae na hIarmhí literally means the county of the west middle.

Westmeath once formed part of the ancient province of Midhe, the _____ (2) province of Ireland. In 1543, the parliament of Ireland divided that province into the present counties of Meath and Westmeath.

Westmeath is in the province of Leinster and is _____ (3) by Meath, Cavan, Longford, Roscommon, and Offaly. There are numerous reminders of the _____ (4) Age here. The north of the county has many drumlins – small rounded _____ (5) that were formed as glaciers melted after the Ice Age. The south has eskers – long narrow lines of stone also left behind by _____ (6) ice. In between, the county is flatter and contains bogs and lakes.

Westmeath has two linked 'Greenways'. The Athlone-Mullingar section of the Dublin-Galway Greenway was _____ (7) in 2015. It runs along the old railway line between Athlone and Mullingar. The Royal Canal Greenway runs from the county boundary to Mullingar and on towards Longford.

Lough Derravaragh sits on the River Inny which flows from Lough Sheelin on its way to the River Shannon. It is popular with _____ (8) and pike anglers. Irish legend tells us that the Children of Lir spent 300 years on the lake, having been turned into _____ (9) by their jealous stepmother.

There is a limestone boulder on the Hill of Uisneach, near Loughnavally, called the Catstone. Also called Aill na Míreann – the Stone of Divisions – it's said to mark the place where the five ancient provinces of Ireland came together. Legend has it that the goddess Ériu, after whom Ireland is named, lies buried _____ (10) it.

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MATHS STORY

Read this news article and answer the questions below.

DREAM JOB

An incredible 23,000 people have applied for two summer jobs on the Great Blasket Island!

A Dingle couple were looking for two people to run a small café and three cottages on the remote island from April to October. Alice Hayes and Billy O'Connor posted an advert on social media and were blown away by the response.

Having initially feared they would receive no interest in the caretaker job, they received applications from all around the world including Argentina, Finland, Iran, and Mexico!

Most applicants were wowed by the remote nature of the island and its natural beauty. Ms Hayes and Mr O'Connor were due to meet a number of applicants before making a final decision.

Maths Questions

1. How many days are there from April 1, to October 31, both days included.
2. Visitors to the Great Blasket are charged €45 per night for accommodation. How much will a 7-day stay cost two people?
3. Breakfast costs 20% of the accommodation fee. How much will two people pay for breakfast for 5 mornings?
4. The boat trip from the mainland to the island costs €15 and the boat holds 40 paying passengers. How much does the boat owner take in if the boat is three-quarters full?
5. The boat trip to the island takes 48 minutes. What time does the boat which leaves the mainland at 11.55 a.m. arrive at the Great Blasket?

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VOCABULARY CONSTABULARY

Are you a good detective? The Vocabulary Constabulary needs your help.

You can often detect the meaning of a word or phrase by reading it in context, that is, by reading the other words around it in a piece of text. Find the page, article or paragraph in TPP and then detect the word or phrase that solves the clue to its meaning. The number of letters and the starting letter of the solution are in brackets after each clue.

LOCATION	CLUE (number of letters, first letter)	SOLUTION
1. P3 ... Cure	The only one of its kind; unlike anything else. (6,u)	_____
2. P3 Wild Boarlets ...	A nature Reserve. (9,s)	_____
3. P3 Wild Boarlets ...	Animals that prey on others. (9,p)	_____
4. P3 ... Phone Book	Different, other, substitute, replacement. (11,a)	_____
5. P3 Ireland Helps ...	Strongly affected by something. (8,i)	_____
6. P3 Ireland Helps ...	Celebrates, honours, remembers. (12,c)	_____
7. P5 ... for Swimming	facilities, services, resources. (9,a)	_____
8. P5 Ploughing ...	Apply, put into practice. (9,i)	_____
9. P5 Covid-19 ...	Rules, orders, decrees. (11,r)	_____
10. P5 Covid-19 ...	Journey's end, point of disembarkation. (11,d)	_____

Now, sort your answers into alphabetical order!

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