

Lesson D Reading

1 Before you read

Look at the title and the picture. Answer the questions.

1. Have you ever heard of Neighbourhood Watch? What is it?
2. Is there a Neighbourhood Watch in your area?

2 Read

SELF-STUDY
AUDIO CD



Read the article from a neighbourhood newsletter. Listen and read again.



The first sentence of a paragraph usually tells the main idea. The other sentences give details. Facts and examples are types of details.



Neighbourhood Watch Success Story

by Latisha Holmes, President, Rolling Hills Neighbourhood Watch

People often ask me about the role of Neighbourhood Watch. My answer is: Because of Neighbourhood Watch, our neighbourhood is safer and nicer. Members of Neighbourhood Watch help each other and watch out for each other. For example, we watch out for our neighbours' houses when they aren't home. We help elderly neighbours with yard work. Once a month, we get together to paint over graffiti.

Last Wednesday, the Neighbourhood Watch team had another success story. Around 8:30 p.m., members of our Neighbourhood Watch were out on a walk. Near the Corner Café, they noticed



two men next to George Garcia's car. George lives at 1157 Rolling Hills Drive. The men were trying to break into the car. Suddenly, the car alarm went off. The men ran away and got into a car down the street. But

they weren't quick enough. Our Neighbourhood Watch members wrote down the car's license plate number and called the police. Later that night, the police arrested the two men.

I would like to congratulate our Neighbourhood Watch team on their good work. Because of their good work, Rolling Hills is a safer neighbourhood today.

For information about Neighbourhood Watch, please call 213-555-1234.

3 After you read

A Check your understanding.

1. What is the main idea of the first paragraph?
2. What are three examples of the role of Neighbourhood Watch?
3. Does the second paragraph give facts or examples?
4. What did the Neighbourhood Watch team see? What did they do?

B Build your vocabulary.

1. Read the dictionary entry for the word *get*. Find the definition of *get together*.

get /get/ [T] **getting**, past **got**, past part **gotten** to take (something) into your possession
get together *v/adv* [I/T] to meet; to have a meeting or party

2. *Get together* is a two-word verb. Look at the article in Exercise 2. Match the two-word verbs.

get watch break run get go
 into out (for) together into away off

3. Write each verb in Exercise B2 next to its definition.

1. to meet	<i>get together</i>
2. to enter (a car legally)	
3. to enter (a car illegally)	
4. to make a sudden, loud noise	
5. to escape; to leave a place very fast	
6. to take care of	

4. Complete the sentences with the verbs in Exercise B3.

- a. Let's get together for coffee tomorrow, OK?
- b. Somebody tried to _____ my neighbour's house.
- c. I saw the girl next door _____ a car and drive away.
- d. My cats always _____ when the door is open.
- e. My neighbour's car alarm _____ at 3:00 a.m. every morning.
- f. All the people on my street _____ for each other's children.

C Talk with a partner. Ask and answer the questions.

1. Do you enjoy getting together with friends? What do you do?
2. Do you and your neighbours watch out for each other? How?

1 Life-skills reading**TOWN BANK****Chequing Accounts**

Choose the plan that's right for you!

	Regular Chequing	Premium Chequing
Monthly Service Fee	\$8	\$12
Minimum Daily Balance (to waive the monthly service fee)	\$1,000	\$5,000
Earn Interest	No	Yes
ATM and Bank Card	Free	Free
Free Cheques	No	Yes
Free Internet Banking	Yes	Yes
Free Internet Bill Paying	No	Yes
Free Money Orders and Traveler's Cheques	No	Yes

A Read the questions. Look at the bank brochure. Circle the answers.

- What does the Regular Chequing plan offer?
 - a free bank card
 - free cheques
 - free money orders
 - none of the above
- What does the Premium Chequing plan offer?
 - a free ATM card
 - a free bank card
 - free traveler's cheques
 - all of the above
- With Premium Chequing, how much do you need in your account to avoid a monthly service fee?
 - 0
 - \$12
 - \$1,000
 - \$5,000
- Which kind of chequing offers free Internet banking?
 - Premium Chequing
 - Regular Chequing
 - both *a* and *b*
 - neither *a* nor *b*

B Talk with your classmates. Ask and answer the questions.

- Do you have a chequing account? Do you pay a monthly fee? What services does your bank offer you?
- Which of the accounts from Town Bank would be better for you? Why?

1 Life-skills reading

Rank	Safest Cities in 2006
1	Kingston
2	Trois-Rivières
3	Kitchener-Waterloo
4	Sherbrooke
5	Saguenay
6	St. John's
9	Québec City
12	Calgary
16	Toronto
21	Halifax
27	Regina

Source: Statistics Canada 2008

Rank	Safest Cities in 2007
1	Saguenay
2	Toronto
3	Trois-Rivières
4	Québec City
5	Sherbrooke
6	Kitchener-Waterloo
13	Kingston
15	Calgary
17	St. John's
18	Halifax
27	Regina

Cities over 100,000 population

A Read the questions. Look at the charts. Circle the answers.

- Which city had the same rank in 2006 and 2007?
 - Halifax
 - Trois-Rivières
 - Calgary
 - Regina
- Which city changed its rank the most from 2006 to 2007?
 - Québec City
 - Kitchener-Waterloo
 - Kingston
 - Saguenay
- Which city became safer in 2007?
 - Sherbrooke
 - Toronto
 - Regina
 - St. John's
- Which city became less safe in 2007?
 - Calgary
 - Halifax
 - Saguenay
 - Québec City

B Talk with your classmates. Ask and answer the questions.

- Do you feel safe where you live? Why?
- Where do you think is the safest place to live?
- Where do you think is the most dangerous place to live?

Lesson E Writing

1 Before you write

A Work with a partner. Write the name of a tourist attraction in your community. Make a list of things to do or see there.

Attraction: _____

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

B Read the paragraph.



Toronto's



CNE

One of the biggest tourist attractions in Toronto is the Canadian National Exhibition, or CNE. It is open from the middle of August to Labour Day. The fair has something for everyone. It has a beautiful flower show and a photography exhibit. If you have children, they will love the Ferris wheel and the fast rides. If you like animals, you can watch many different animal competitions. The winner in each competition gets a ribbon. The fair also has displays of new products and cooking tools. When you get hungry, you can buy food from at least 25 different booths. After you have eaten dinner, you can listen to a concert of live music until late in the evening. The CNE ends with spectacular fireworks on Labour Day.

C Complete the outline. Write five examples of things to do at the Canadian National Exhibition.

Main idea: *The CNE has something for everyone.*

Examples:

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

5. _____



Use complex sentences to make your writing more interesting.

If you have children, they will love the Ferris wheel and the fast rides.

When you get hungry, you can buy food from at least 25 different booths.

Conclusion: *The CNE ends with fireworks on Labour Day.*

D Work with a partner. Look at Exercise 1B. Find four complex sentences. Underline them.

2 Write

Write a paragraph about a tourist attraction in your city. Before you write, make an outline. Use Exercises 1B and 1C to help you. Include the main idea, conclusion, and at least three examples.

3 After you write

A Check your writing.

	Yes	No
1. My paragraph has a main idea and a conclusion.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. My paragraph has at least three examples.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. My paragraph has complex sentences with <i>before</i> , <i>after</i> , <i>when</i> , or <i>if</i> .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

B Share your writing with a partner.

1. Take turns. Read your paragraph to a partner.
2. Comment on your partner's paragraph. Ask your partner a question about the paragraph. Tell your partner one thing you learned.