Classwork Update

Dear Parents,

I hope you're doing well. Below is a summary of the written material we covered in class over the past two months.

Sep 9th, 2025 – Pronouns

What is a Pronoun?

A pronoun is a word we use instead of a name.

Examples:

- Sarah \rightarrow **She** is my friend.
- Reem and Omar \rightarrow **They** are playing.

Pronouns by Person

1st person – I, we (talking about yourself)

2nd person – You (talking to someone)

3rd person – He, she, it, they (talking about someone else)

Sep 11th, 2025 - How to write a simple sentence

Note: The following was not written in the notebook. It will be printed and attached to their notebooks.

What is a Simple Sentence?

A simple sentence has <u>one subject</u> (who/what the sentence is about) and <u>one verb</u>.

Examples:

- 1. The cat sleeps.
- 2. My brother plays football.
- 3. We eat apples.

How to build a simple sentence:

- 1. Start with a subject (person, place, animal, thing, pronoun).
- 2. Add a verb.
- 3. Add an object or extra information (optional).

Tips:

- A simple sentence has one idea only
- Start with a capital letter, end with a full stop

• No joining words (and, but, because..)

Sep 13th, 2025 - Past Tense (Regular)

Past Tense

We use the past tense to talk about something that already happened (yesterday, last night, last week, last ...)

Examples:

• I played football yesterday.

Rules for the past tense:

- 1- Regular verbs (Add ed)
- 1. Add –ed to most verbs

 $play \rightarrow played$

- 2. Ends in e (add –
- d) like \rightarrow liked
- 3. Ends in consonant + y (y \rightarrow ied) cry \rightarrow cried
- 4. Verb ends with vowel + consonant (double the last letter + ed) stop \rightarrow stopped

Sep 15th, 2025 – Past Tense (Irregular)

2- Irregular verbs (change form - no rule)

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go→ went
eat→ ate
run→ ran
put→put
have→ had
see→saw
come → came
do→did
write→wrote
get→ got
take→took
make→made
say→said
drink→drank
buy→bought
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find→found give→gave read→read think \rightarrow thought sleep \rightarrow slept

Sep 16th, 2025 - Reading Comprehension P.17 and 18.

- a- Mum wants the boys to join the library.
- b- The boys went to art classes that ended when Marty became ill.
- c- The library is Dad's idea.
- d- Will's stomach is churning because he's terrified of going to the library.
- e- Because it's educational.
- f- Spud Murphy is the librarian.

Sep 18th, 2025 – How to write a compound sentence.

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What is a Compound Sentence?

A compound sentence has two simple sentences (two ideas).

They are joined by a coordinating conjunction (and, but, or, so, for, nor, yet).

Examples:

- 1. I like pizza, and my brother likes pasta.
- 2. She was tired, **but** she finished her homework.
- 3. We can go to the park, **or** we can stay home.

How to build a compound sentence:

- 1. Start with a simple sentence (subject + verb + object).
- 2. Add a conjunction (and, but, or, so, for, nor, yet).
- 3. Write another simple sentence after the conjunction.

Tips:

- A compound sentence has two complete ideas.
- Each idea must have its own subject and verb.
- Use a comma before the conjunction if the sentences are long.
- Joining words (and, but, or, so, etc.) are necessary.

Sep 23rd, 2025 – Adjectives and nouns.

Adjectives and Nouns

1- Noun = a person, place, thing, or animal.

Examples: girl, school, book, cat, table, teacher.

2- Adjective = a word that describes a noun.

Examples: big, red, sad, beautiful, kind, hot, funny, new.

*In English, the adjective comes before the noun.

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a green apple.
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- a happy boy.
- a small cat.
- a cold drink.

Sep 27th, 2025 – Story Elements.

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Sep 29th, 2025 – Punctuation Marks.

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Sep 29th, 2025 - Adverbs.

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Sep 30th, 2025 – Question 2: (section a) / Question 3: (section c).

Question 2, section a:

- The scene is set as winter.
- The village and villagers are described.
- Amah is introduced and why people visit her.
- Pinmei realises winter has been long this year.

- Pinmei teases her grandmother.
- Clues about Pinmei's character are given.

Question 3, section c:

Cut through sharply: Pierced Moved in a rush way: Scurry

Mock gently: Taunt Destroyed: Shattered

Took hold roughly: Grabbed

Froze: Chilled

Smiled widely: grinned Get stuck in: Freeze

Oct 2nd, 2025 – How to write a story beginning.

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**Note: In "When the Sea Turned to Silver" we focused on the following vocabulary words:

Shrieking: Loud noise.

Impish: Playful in a naughty way. *Taunt*: Tease, annoy someone.

Tortoise: A large land-dwelling turtle. *Swallow:* Small bird comes in spring.

Shiver: When your body shakes because you are cold.

Oct 13th, 2025 – Prepositions of place and time.

Prepositions of time:

We use prepositions of time to say when something happens.

Examples:

- I wake up at 6 o'clock everyday.
- We have English class on Monday.
- My birthday is in January.

Prepositions of place

We use prepositions of place to say where something is.

Examples:

- The car is in front of the house.
- The dog is **behind** the gate.
- The lamp is **above** the table.

^{**}Note: Extra slides related to this topic have been uploaded on LMS.

Oct 14th, 2025 – Writing and Grammar (Reading Comprehension) P.9 and 10

** A book blurb is a short paragraph that gives a quick idea about the story. It tells what the story is about.**

Question A- Page 9

- 1- She loves basket ball.
- 2- Because she is in a wheel chair.
- 3- She is the coach
- 4- Every Saturday, she plays board games.
- 5- He tells her, he always has a plan.
- 6- She tells Miss Garcia and the team.

Question A- Page 10

Sentence 1: The basketball team always loses.

Sentence 2: They have no plan.

Sentence 3: Leila has an idea.

Oct 18th, 2025 - Mind map

What is a Mind Map?

A mind map is a picture that organizes information to help us understand, remember and connect ideas.

How to make a Mind Map?

Step1: Write the topic in the center.

(Use 1-2 words in the biggest circle)

Step 2: Draw the first branches.

(Subtopics- circle and label each one)

Step 3: Add smaller branches.

(Write related details)

^{**} Note: The mind map related has been uploaded on LMS. A printed copy was also given to learners at school.

Oct 20th, 2025 - Phonics

Today's sound IGH

Examples: light, night, high, bright, sight, tight, flight.

- 1- The car jumped over my thigh.
- 2- The loud sound gave me a fright.
- 3- I have only a slight idea.

Other spellings for the same sound:

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i-e ( kite, time, smile)
y (sky, cry, fly, dry)
ie (pie, tie, lie)
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Oct 21st, 2025 - Writing and Grammar p. 10 and 11

Question A- Page 10 Present tense

- 1- Leila talks to her grandfather.
- 2- He gives her an idea.
- 3- She tells Miss Garcia about her plan.

Question A- Page 11

- 1- Does Lelia like watching basketball?
- 2- Is Miss Garcia the team coach?
- 3- Does Leila have a plan?

Best Regards, Teacher sarah