

Unit 1. 字義

Example

1. 首先，閱讀整篇文章，了解大意。

FunGana 2016

No idea where to spend your vacation? If you are a big fan of sun, beach, and water sports, then you must join FunGana 2016!

Over the years, FunGana has taken people to many places in Gana. This year, we are taking you to Piso Island, one of Gana's beautiful islands. Piso Island is adjacent to Wako Island, the biggest island in Gana, so it is only 15 minutes away by boat from Wako Island. The best time to visit? All year around, the weather on Piso Island is just wonderful for a vacation. You can sail out to watch whales, or enjoy one of the best mud springs in the world. We will also show you around the island in a special car, the Cocoon Rider. It's our pleasure to help you enjoy your stay on Piso Island.

Find out more about FunGana 2016 at <http://www.fungana2016.com.gn>.

2. 接下來，閱讀題目，並找出「字詞」所在的句子，並留意前後文的順序或因果、連接詞或轉折語。

() 1. What does adjacent to mean?

(A) Like.

(B) Near.

(C) Bigger than.

(D) Warmer than.

3. 最後，想想文章中有哪些線索足以支持你的答案，再想想為什麼其它選項是錯誤的。「字詞」可能很簡單，透過「字詞」所在的句子就能了解了，但也可能需要了解整篇文章意思才猜測到，所以要細心、要有耐心。

The sky is turning bright and clear.

The earth is wearing red and green.

Winter is gone; spring has come.

The air smells fresh and sweet.

The summer heat is not yet here;

A little fox comes out to play.

A bird is busy in a tree

Waking a daisy from her sleep.

Little daisy, little daisy,

People call the flower the “day’s eye.”

When she opens her eye,

The springtime brings us cheer.

() 1. What is a “daisy”?

(A) A body part.

(B) A kind of bird.

(C) A kind of flower.

(D) A kind of smell.




For many people, having a cup of coffee right out of bed is the best way to start a day. But a report from Asap Science says otherwise. It says the worst time for coffee is soon after we get up. When we wake up, our bodies start to make cortisol.



Cortisol helps us to think clearly and be quick to understand and act. The cortisol levels rise after we wake up and climb to the highest in about an hour. So there are two problems when we drink coffee during this time: (1) our bodies will make less cortisol, and (2) the cortisol will make coffee less useful. And that's why some of us drink more and more coffee.

Then, when's the best time to have coffee? When the cortisol levels are going down, the report says. Cortisol levels are usually highest between 8 a.m. and 9 a.m., between noon and 1 p.m., and between 5:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. So if you want to have coffee, enjoy it after these times, and this popular drink will help you the most.

What do you think?

 cortisol 皮質醇 level 數值；濃度

- () 1. What does it mean when someone thinks “otherwise” about something?
- (A) They are serious about it.
 - (B) They have no idea about it.
 - (C) They think differently about it.
 - (D) They do not think it is a problem.

Forever Takes a Bow

Actor Nathan Lang, 78 years old, died in his sleep last night in his house. Nathan Lang started his acting life in the 1970s. He was most known for playing Justin Maud in *Young Hours*. The movie made the world swoon over him. Women wanted a husband like him; men wanted a brother like him. Forever Justin, his fans called him. After *Young Hours*, Nathan Lang was seen in several big movies : *Fallen*, *After Tonight*, and *Killing Jules*. The last one won him a best actor award. In the 1980s, Nathan Lang lost his shine on the big screen. During this time, his movies never entered the top 20 list. Nathan Lang's last movie was *Dreams*. Though the movie won him two best actor awards, it did not bring his fans back to the theater.

This Saturday morning, 10 o'clock at St. Peter's Church, there will be a "movie party," as Lang wished. Friends and family will get together and enjoy once again the good times he brought to the world.

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- () 1. What does swoon over mean in the reading?
- (A) Close the door on.
 - (B) Go crazy about.
 - (C) Share the joy with.
 - (D) Try hard to deal with.

Here is the preface of Nick Foster's new book *Married to Food*.

Preface

My mother was lousy at cooking. To her, cooking was more like an exciting experiment. You put some of this and some of that in a pot, and you wait and see what will happen. "No experiments, no experiences." is what she would say when her experiment did not turn out good, and I heard that a lot.

My father was a good cook, and he loved to cook, too. He often said that he got my mother to marry him with a table of delicious food, not with a beautiful ring. "A family needs only one good cook," he said.

Now I am a cook myself. And I have my own restaurant. I learned how to cook from my father, of course. From him, I learned the art of cooking. But I did learn one thing from my mother. It's her famous saying : "No experiments, no experiences."

- () 1. What does it mean when someone is lousy at something?
- (A) They are famous for it.
 - (B) They cannot do it well.
 - (C) They think it is important.
 - (D) They are not interested in it.

I had a horrendous experience last Saturday.

That day, my family went camping near a big lake. While my parents were preparing dinner, my brother and I were playing by the lake. A dirty man appeared from somewhere, and his face was half covered by his hair. He walked to us and asked for some water.



When I gave him water, the bag he carried dropped, and things inside fell out on the grass. I saw a rope, a knife, and a baseball bat. The strangest thing was that there were also a woman's shoe and a ring, and I'm sure they were not his. The man quickly put all his things back in the bag and looked at us angrily. At that moment, the picture of a man the police was looking for came to my mind. He was the crazy killer! I was so afraid that I could not move at all.

Luckily, before he could get any closer, my mom shouted from far away, and the man hurried off into the dark.

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() 1. How do people feel when they experience something horrendous?

- (A) Angry.
- (B) Sad.
- (C) Scared.
- (D) Tired.