

Name: _____ () Class: _____ Date: _____

Your parents are planning a family trip to South Korea. You are reading information about the country. Read the itinerary for a day tour in Seoul and the postcard from your cousin who has just visited Seoul.

Text 1 Itinerary

One-day tour of Seoul

8.45 a.m. Assemble at hotel lobby. Please be punctual, as the coach will not delay departure for anyone. We will message you the licence number of the coach the day before.

9 a.m. Arrive at Gyeongbokgung Palace, the largest palace in Seoul. It was the main palace of the royal family during the Joseon dynasty. The palace was originally built in 1395, and restored in the 19th century.



10 a.m. Observe the Royal Guard Changing Ceremony at Gwanghwamun Gate, the main gate of Gyeongbokgung Palace.



11 a.m. Arrive at Jogyesa Temple, the main Buddhist temple in Korea. It was established in 1395.



12 noon Have lunch at a traditional teahouse in famous cultural district Insadong.

1.30 p.m. Stroll along the picturesque Cheonggyecheon Stream. Don't miss the renowned Candle Fountain which features a synchronized light show, a four-metre high fountain and wishing wells on either side.



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2.30 p.m. Get anything your heart desires from bustling shopping district Myeong-dong.

5 p.m. Travel back in time at Namsangol Hanok Village for a taste of life in ancient Korea. Experience first-hand the homes, rituals and habits of royalty and commoners from another era.



7 p.m. End trip at Seoul's famous landmark N Seoul Tower. We will reach the tower by scenic cable car. Once there, you can enjoy a panoramic night view of the entire city from the Observatory Tower and enjoy a scrumptious meal at one of the many restaurants.



Important notes

- 1** In case of bad weather, some of the stops might be changed or the tour might be postponed. Check our official Twitter for the latest news and updates.
- 2** If you wish to cancel your tour, please inform us 48 hours in advance and we shall process your refund. No refunds will be given to no-shows.
- 3** All tours are conducted in English by default. If you would like a Putonghua or Japanese-speaking guide, please inform us when you make your booking.

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Text 2 Postcard

① Hello from Seoul!

② Just hanging out with my friends at a cafe right now! All of us arrived in Korea on the same day but on separate flights. I was on the earlier flight and had to wait two hours for the rest of my travel companions. I thought I'd be
5 bored silly at Incheon International Airport, but I was dead wrong! Someone told me about the Traditional Korean Culture Experience Zone right inside the airport and there was a ton of amazing stuff to do!

③ Anyone can try their hand at creating traditional Korean arts and crafts, watch traditional performances and dress up in gorgeous traditional hanboks
10 there for free! None of them were in my size though. They were all way too long and loose. Why do I have to be so short? I almost tripped while taking a selfie in my hanbok! Utterly embarrassing!!

④ I also managed to catch the dazzling Royal Family procession and it was truly majestic! It was a procession through the airport by performers
15 dressed as royalty from the Joseon Dynasty! The performers all looked absolutely gorgeous. You are allowed to take photos with the royal family, so of course, I didn't let this once in a lifetime opportunity pass me by!

⑤ Anyway, got to go!

Anita

Comprehension 1 & 2 Your mother has some questions about the itinerary and the postcard. Answer her questions using information from the itinerary and the postcard. For multiple-choice questions, choose the best answer and blacken ONE circle only.

Itinerary

1 Which word in the lines 1–9 means the same as 'on time'?

2 Travellers will probably spend around _____ at Cheonggyecheon Stream.

A half an hour

C two hours

A B C D

B one and a half hours

D two and a half hours

○ ○ ○ ○

Challenging reading and comprehension

Unit 1

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3 What can you see at Gwanghwamun Gate?

4 What is the name of the cultural district?

5 What are TWO things travellers can do at N Seoul Tower?

i) _____

ii) _____

6 What do Gyeongbokgung Palace and Jogyesa Temple have in common?

7 Number the following events in chronological order. Write 1–6 on the lines provided.

Travellers visit a traditional village. _____

Travellers have lunch. _____

Travellers visit the largest palace in Seoul. _____

Travellers go shopping. _____

Travellers go on a cable car ride. _____

Travellers visit a place of religious worship. _____

8 According to the itinerary, what types of attractions can you find in Seoul? Tick (✓) three boxes.

historical buildings

theme parks

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gardens

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shopping centres

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temples

9 Find a word in lines 43–50 that means ‘people who are expected to be somewhere but do not appear’.

10 How many languages are the tours conducted in? _____



11 Would you join this tour? Why or why not?

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Postcard

12 Why did Anita have to wait two hours at Incheon International Airport?

13 Find an expression in paragraph 1 that means the opposite of 'very little'.

14 What does 'them' refer to in line 10?

15 What are hanboks?

16 i) Why did Anita almost trip while taking a selfie?



ii) How could this problem have been prevented?

17 What are **THREE** things you can do at the Traditional Korean Culture Experience Zone?

- i) _____
- ii) _____
- iii) _____

18 Which word in paragraph 4 has a similar meaning to 'magnificent'?

19 According to the postcard, are the following statements True **(T)**, False **(F)** or Not Given **(NG)**?

Statements	T	F	NG
i) Anita wrote the postcard at a cafe.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
ii) Anita has been to Seoul before.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
iii) Anita saw a parade at Incheon International Airport.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>