

Name: _____ () Class: _____ Date: _____

Your friend has written a detective story. She has given it to you to read. Read the detective story.

Text 3 Detective story

Young Sherlock and the missing ring

1 After school had finished, Young Sherlock Holmes went to Room 212. When he arrived, Ms Hill was there.

2 'What can I do to help you?' asked Sherlock.

3 'My ring was stolen!' Ms Hill said. 'Though I searched everyone's
5 bags, I couldn't find it!'


4 Sherlock saw a pet hamster in a cage in the corner and a bottle of green nail polish on the teacher's desk. 'Cute pet and nice nail polish,' Sherlock said.

5 Ms Hill replied, 'That's our class pet, Teddy. And that's Cherry's
10 nail polish. I caught her painting her nails during class. But please concentrate on the case!'

6 'I'd rather not run around looking for your ring. After all, it's right here,' Sherlock lifted the ring from the hamster's food dish.

7 'How did you ...?' Ms Hill asked.

15 8 'Well,' Sherlock replied, 'I noticed some green paint on the hamster cage. And look, there's green paint on the ring as well. Therefore, we both know who the thief is!'



Simplified reading and comprehension

Unit 7

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Comprehension 3 *Your sister wants to know about the detective story. Answer her questions using information from the detective story. For multiple-choice questions, choose the best answer and blacken ONE circle only.*

- 1 The setting of the story is _____.

A a classroom	C an office	A B C D
B a beauty shop	D the library	○ ○ ○ ○

- 2 What does 'it' refer to in line 5? _____

- 3 Where was the hamster cage?

- 4 How did Ms Hill feel when Sherlock mentioned the hamster and the nail polish?

A annoyed	C interested	A B C D
B bored	D worried	○ ○ ○ ○

- 5 Which word could best replace 'noticed' in line 15?

A searched	C saw	A B C D
B put	D removed	○ ○ ○ ○

- 6 Use ONE word to complete each blank.
 There was _____ paint on the ring because the _____
 had wet nail polish on her nails. She made the ring dirty when she _____ it.

- 7 Who is the thief? _____

- 8 Order the following events. Number the events (1–4).

Sherlock saw the bottle of green nail polish.	_____
Sherlock picked up the ring.	_____
Sherlock walked to Room 212.	_____
Sherlock amazed Ms Hill.	_____