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Habibo's wallet

- ✓ Make up a dialogue to help students practice what they would say if they had to phone to report a lost wallet, jacket or backpack, etc. The clerk at the Lost and Found should ask for the student's complete name, for the spelling of his or her name and for the student's phone number.

Nature walk

- ✓ Go on a nature walk with students before the snow flies. Make up a list of things the students should look for, such as: a cattail, a rosehip, a mushroom, a piece of bark, some moss, a spider web, an insect. Take pictures to write about later.
- ✓ Ask students to remember what they hear. For example: squirrels, magpies, bees, insects, the wind in the trees.

Answers

Find the numbers

- 1) 8 2) 27 3) 2,200 4) 8,848 5) 2.5
6) 74 7) 1 million 8) 60,000 9) 19,330

Culture in Alberta

1. i 2. c 3. d 4. h 5. b 6. k
7. g 8. a 9. j 10. f 11. e

Habibo's wallet

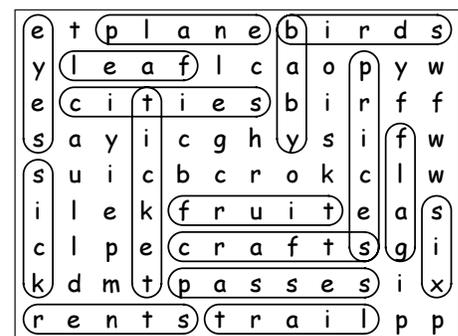
1. riding 2. fell 3. was 4. picked
5. turned 6. got

Family Literacy special issues

The Family Literacy series is available from the *English Express* office on an ongoing basis. The eight issues include:

- #1: What is Family Literacy?
- #2: How do young children develop?
- #3: Helping babies learn
- #4: Helping toddlers learn
- #5: Helping preschoolers learn
- #6: Children between 4½ & 6—helping them learn
- #7: Starting Grade One
- #8: Tell a story, read a story

Find the words



Find the numbers

Answers on page TN-1

Find the correct number in the box below.

1. How many people shared the \$10.8 million? _____
2. How many babies are born every day in Calgary? _____
3. How many Canadian soldiers are in Afghanistan? _____
4. How high is Mount Everest? _____ metres.
5. How many hours of housework a day do Canadian men do? _____
6. How many dollars were inside Habibo's wallet? _____
7. What is the population of Calgary? _____
8. How many readers does *English Express* have? _____
9. How many immigrants came to Alberta in 2005? _____

2.5	2,200	27
8,848	60,000	74
8	1 million	19,330

Daily housework

Fill in the blanks with a word from the list on the right.

1. I _____ wash dishes.
2. I _____ take out the garbage.
3. I _____ prepare lunches and meals.
4. I _____ take care of children.
5. I _____ do laundry.
6. I _____ do ironing.

always
usually
often
sometimes
rarely
never

Now complain. Make a sentence about your roommate, wife, husband or child.
For example: My husband never cleans the bathroom!

My _____ never _____ !

Write the letter of the picture on the blank before the sentence.

a



b



c



d



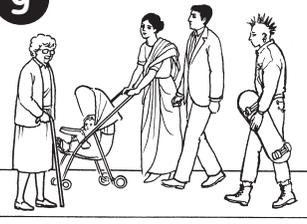
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f



g



h



i



j



k



- ___ 1. This father is playing soccer with his two sons. He is barefoot.
- ___ 2. This woman is praying. She is kneeling on a prayer rug.
- ___ 3. A bride and groom are kissing in this picture. It is at their wedding.
- ___ 4. These are delicious snacks from India. They are called samosas.
- ___ 5. This person is reading a book in Braille because he is blind.
- ___ 6. This man is doing Ukrainian dancing. He is doing the splits in the air.
- ___ 7. People of different cultures and ages are walking on the sidewalk.
- ___ 8. This person is painting Chinese characters with a paintbrush.
- ___ 9. Many Canadian families have a Christmas tree during December.
- ___ 10. This woman is offering you some bannock. It is a type of bread.
- ___ 11. This woman is playing a guitar.

Finish the sentences. Choose words from the box below.



1. On April 28, Habibo was _____ on the LRT (Light Rapid Transit) with her classmates.

2. When Habibo got up to leave, her wallet _____ out of her pocket.



3. The wallet _____ on the floor in the train.



4. Later, a man saw the wallet on the floor and _____ it up.

5. Then he _____ in the wallet to the Lost and Found department at Edmonton Transit.

6. Habibo _____ back her ID cards and \$74. She was happy. Habibo is thankful that the man was honest.



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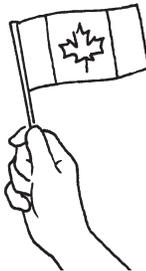


Find the words

Answers on page TN-1

Find these words in the puzzle. Some words go across and some go down.

baby	passes
birds	plane
cities	prices
crafts	rents
eyes	sick
flag	six
fruit	ticket
leaf	trail



e	t	p	l	a	n	e	b	i	r	d	s
y	l	e	a	f	l	c	a	o	p	y	w
e	c	i	t	i	e	s	b	i	r	f	f
s	a	y	i	c	g	h	y	s	i	f	w
s	u	i	c	b	c	r	o	k	c	l	w
i	l	e	k	f	r	u	i	t	e	a	s
c	l	p	e	c	r	a	f	t	s	g	i
k	d	m	t	p	a	s	s	e	s	i	x
r	e	n	t	s	t	r	a	i	l	p	p