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Have a great summer!
The next issue of *English Express* will be distributed in mid-September.

Answers for exercises

Summer Olympics and Paralympics

2. 8:08 p.m., Aug. 8, 2008 5. 150
3. 6,700 km (4,160 miles) 6. about 10,700
4. 1.3 billion 7. about 4,000

Are you pregnant?

2. checkups 7. healthy
3. midwife 8. milk
4. baby 9. vitamins
5. prenatal 10. sleep
6. checkup 11. Walking

Stories from our readers

2. Melkamu (f) 6. Ling Lin (e)
3. Princess's family (d) 7. Ayida (h)
4. Julietta's son-in-law (a) 8. Jacob (b)
5. Amber (g)

Beautiful Alberta

2. bear (a) 6. ground squirrel (f)
3. firepit (b) 7. sunflower (e)
4. lake (g) 8. mountains (c)
5. campsite (h)

International recipes

☞ Perhaps you could make your own recipe book like the students in Canmore did!

Are you pregnant?

☞ There are many questions a pregnant woman might be asked. For example:

- Are you expecting?
- When are you due?
- When is your due date?
- How far along are you?
- Is this your first?

☞ Ask students to bring in baby pictures, birth announcements or birth certificates.

☞ Discuss birth customs and practices in Canada and other countries. For example: welcoming or naming ceremonies.

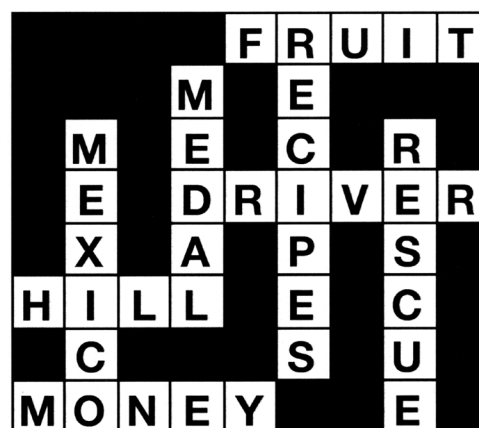
☞ Higher-level students can go to “ESL Podcast: Having a baby” at:
<<http://cdn2.libsyn.com/eslpod/ESLPod136.mp3>>

☞ Encourage pregnant students to go to prenatal classes. Some communities have classes and resources available in different languages.

Songbirds love northern Alberta

☞ The birds pictured on page 6 are (from left to right): a western tanager, a Tennessee warbler, and a black-and-white warbler. The bird on page 7 is a Tennessee warbler.

Crossword answers



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Summer Olympics and Paralympics

Answers on page TN-1



Find the answers to these questions on page one of *English Express*.

1. How many people live in Beijing? 16 million
2. When will the Summer Olympic Games begin? _____
3. What is the length of the Great Wall? _____
4. How many people live in China? _____
5. How many Canadian athletes will go to the Paralympics? _____
6. How many athletes will compete in the Summer Olympics? _____
7. How many athletes will compete in the Paralympics? _____

Are you pregnant?

Answers on page TN-1



Choose words from the boxes to fill in the blanks.

1. See a doctor right away.
2. Go to all of your checkups.
3. Call your doctor or midwife if you have a problem or question.
4. Learn about having a pregnancy.
5. Take prenatal classes.
6. Go to the dentist for a checkup. Brush and floss your teeth.
7. Eat healthy food. Try to eat every 3 to 4 hours.
8. Drink milk and eat other food with calcium.
9. Take prenatal vitamins every day.
10. Get enough sleep. Rest when you can.
11. Walk! walking is good for most women.

Stories from our readers

Answers on page TN-1

Read the "Stories from our readers" on pages 2 and 3.
Draw a line from the question to the person's name.

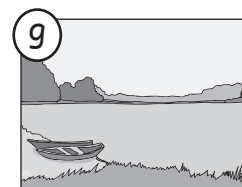
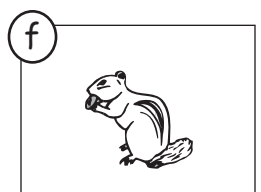
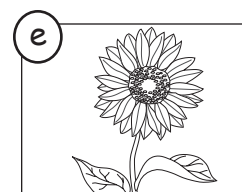
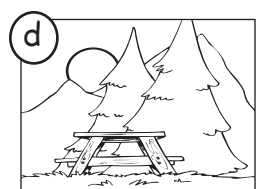
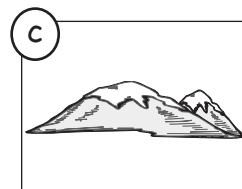
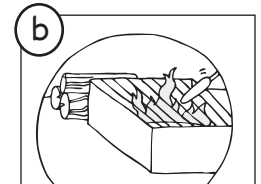
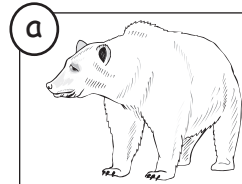
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|---|--------------------------|
| 1. Who gets phone calls asking for money? | a. Julietta's son-in-law |
| 2. Who met his wife at work? | b. Jacob |
| 3. Who was rescued with a helicopter? | c. Teshale |
| 4. Who had a lot of nuts fall down on him? | d. Princess's family |
| 5. Who got a medal in the Special Olympics? | e. Ling Lin |
| 6. Who enjoyed sliding down the hill? | f. Melkamu |
| 7. Who had a neighbour with a pet baboon? | g. Amber |
| 8. Who has a wife and 6 children? | h. Ayida |

Beautiful Alberta

Answers on page TN-1

Unscramble these words. Then write the letter for the picture on the line.

- d 1. karp p a r k
- _____ 2. rabe _____
- _____ 3. tirpefi _____
- _____ 4. keal _____
- _____ 5. pimtaces _____
- _____ 6. dugorn rilrques _____
- _____ 7. nerulfsow _____
- _____ 8. atmunosin _____



Songbirds love northern Alberta!

Fill in the verbs. Use the verbs in the box below.

1. Every spring, millions of songbirds fly north to northern Alberta.
2. The birds _____ northern Alberta because there are many bugs to _____.
3. The male bird often _____ first. He finds a tree or bush for a nest.
4. The male bird sings to _____ his area and to _____ a female.
5. Soon the male and female mate. They _____ a nest.
6. The female _____ eggs.
7. Then the eggs _____.
8. In the fall, the songbirds _____ to the United States, Mexico, Central America and South America.



like	arrives	fly	lays	defend
migrate	hatch	eat	build	attract

Crossword

Answers on page TN-1

The words in this crossword are from "Stories from our readers" on pages 2 and 3.

Across

1. Baboons steal _____ from the market.
6. Melkamu was a _____ in Ethiopia.
7. Ling Lin slid down a _____.
8. Teshale has no extra _____.

Down

2. The students from Canmore shared their _____.
3. Amber won a _____ in swimming in the Special Olympics.
4. Jacob lived in _____ before he came to Canada.
5. Princess told a story about a helicopter _____.

