



Public Holidays and other Special Days in South Africa

Intermediate, Senior, FET phases

ENGLISH



**PHOTOCOPIABLE
WORKSHEETS**



An excellent resource

INCLUDES:

**-information and activities on
Public Holidays and other
Special Days.**

The exercises can be used:

- to coincide with the individual days**
- as theme work**
- to teach or reinforce specific skills**



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INTRODUCTION

In South Africa, we have various religious and national holidays. The religious holidays are important because a large number of people in the country are of these faiths. A National Holidays Bill was presented to parliament and passed to give public holidays, to make it more representative of the country. Our national holidays are a way for us to remember the sacrifices and achievements of our ancestors and the democratic society we live in. There are also public holidays in South Africa.



NATIONAL HOLIDAYS

1. New Year's Day		new year - a time for new year
2. Human Rights Day		milestone in the struggle for freedom and social justice.
3. Good Friday		crucifixion of Jesus Christ.
4. Family Day (3 days after Good Friday)	March	day in Holy Week.
5. Freedom Day	April 27	election on 27 April
6. Worker's Day	May 1	workers have played
7. Youth Day	June 16	country and equality.
8. National Women's Day	August 9	of what
9. Heritage Day	September 24	Our Day.
10. Day of Reconciliation	December 16	A time to heal the
11. Christmas Day	December 25	A religious holiday celebrating the birth of Jesus Christ
12. Goodwill Day	December 26	A day to remember and customarily a time for giving

Sample Book

FOR THE TEACHER

In
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being celebrated, other days of
e made aware of are:



Vale	y	English, Art, card-making
World Pi		English - mapwork
Arbor Day	gust	English - crossword
World AIDS D		Questionnaire

New Year's Day

English - dramatization
dictionary skills.

Human Rights Day

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r to the press

Good Friday

procedure (memory)
rk.

Family Day

Freedom Day

Worker's Day

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Youth Day

National Women's Day

Heritage Day

Day of Reconciliation

Christmas Day

Goodwill Day

in school

Sample Book

World Celebrates the New Year

in the groove

fireworks

time of their lives



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The pope had thousands of people in St Peter's square for his New Year message.

1. Can you decipher the message (to do this you must eliminate the letters to find the complete message)

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GROUPWORK: Dramatization

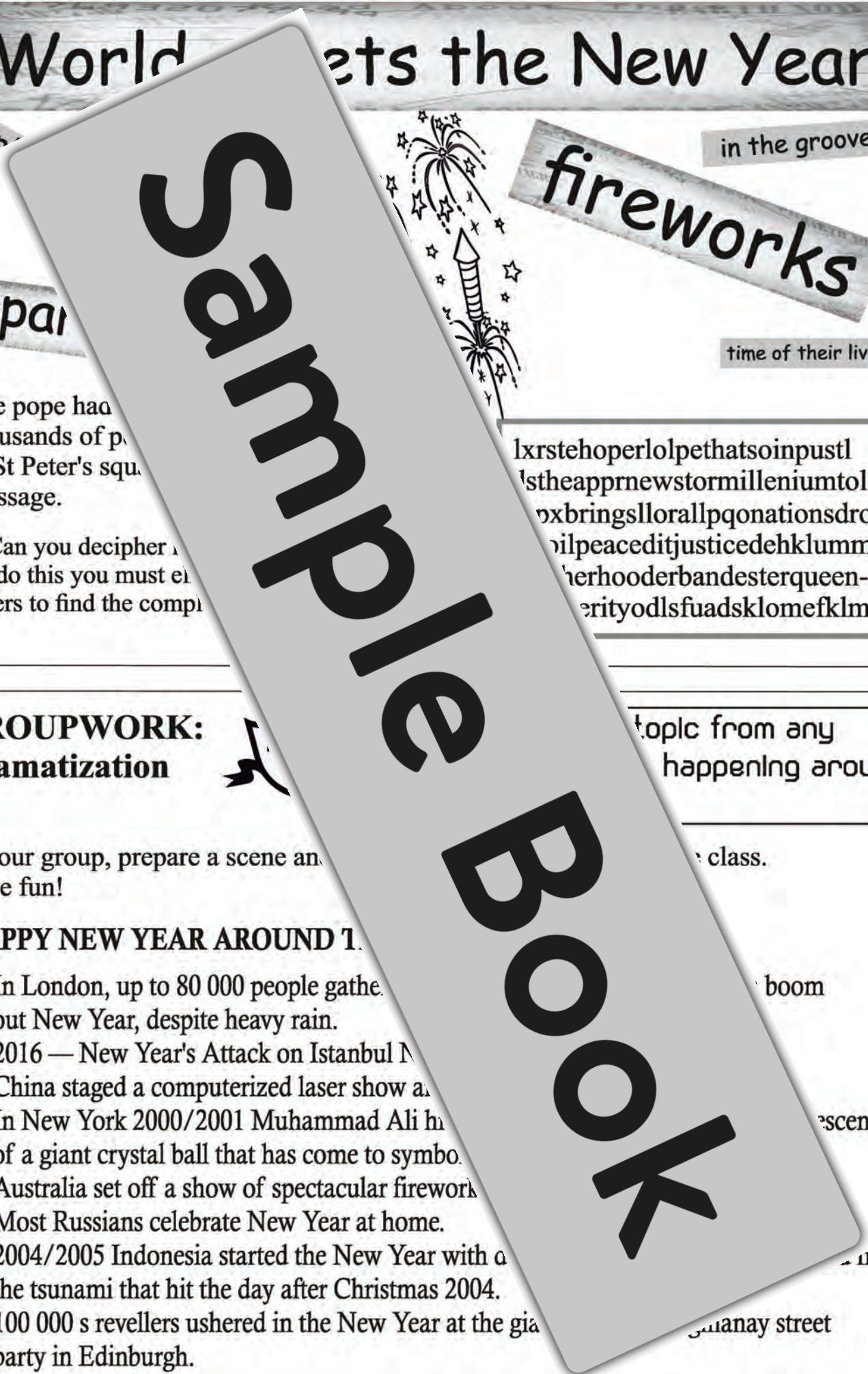


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happening around

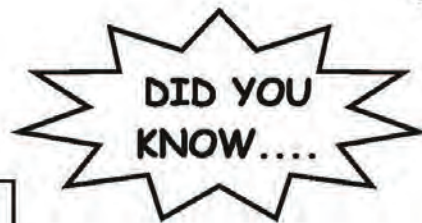
In your group, prepare a scene and perform it in class.
Have fun!

HAPPY NEW YEAR AROUND THE WORLD

1. In London, up to 80 000 people gathered in Trafalgar Square for the New Year, despite heavy rain.
2. 2016 — New Year's Attack on Istanbul
3. China staged a computerized laser show at the New Year's Eve celebration.
4. In New York 2000/2001 Muhammad Ali held a ceremony for the unveiling of a giant crystal ball that has come to symbolize the New Year.
5. Australia set off a show of spectacular fireworks.
6. Most Russians celebrate New Year at home.
7. 2004/2005 Indonesia started the New Year with a bang after the tsunami that hit the day after Christmas 2004.
8. 100 000 revellers ushered in the New Year at the giant Hogmanay street party in Edinburgh.



PEER ASSESSMENT BY LEARNERS



Rome (dramatization)	
Did a ...	4
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Did the le ...	4
Was the gro ...	4
Could the gro ... ?	4
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In Rome it is traditional for young men to somersault from a bridge into the chilly waters of the Tiber River on New Year's Day.



2. How long is a so

3. Now plunge into your "year" words in Colum

the an B.

COLUMN A	
1. A leap year	
2. Young for his age	
3. It took years to get served	
4. The year dot	
5. Yearbook	
6. Yearling	
7. Year of Grace	G.
8. Year in, year out	H. 1
9. Year-end	I. A tin
10. A year and a day	J. An ag

It's time to create harmony and bring about peace in your world -
 at home
 at school
 in your environment

How can you make a difference? See this as your New Resolution. Write down your thoughts in diary form.

Sample Book

Sharpeville

...most famous killing field."

...headlines around the world.



Rea...

PROTEST: ...ion to apartheid, activists at South Africa House in London were killed in a massacre.

BURIAL: ...s pitted with graves awaiting the coffins of Sharpeville victims.

RESISTANCE: ...ing Pan Africanist Congress's call to take part in the anti-pass campaign.

AFTERMATH: police ... of some of the 69 people killed in the Sharpeville massacre.

What happened

...following report.

An overgrown, weather-beaten patch of grass and a small outcrop of rock is the modest memorial to an event which was to mark the course of events on 21 March 1960. On that day thousands of workers heeded the PAC's call to leave their passes at home and present themselves at the nearest police station for arrest.

It was National Policy at the time that people of colour had to carry a pass with them at all times or they could be arrested. The police station at Sharpeville was completely surrounded by protestors. About 60 policemen armed with rifles, stood guard while Sabre jets dived over the crowd in an attempt to disperse the crowd. A lone policeman in the ranks guarding the station, fired a shot into the crowd which was misinterpreted by his

HUMAN RIGHTS

For Sharpeville is a milestone in the struggle for human rights, achievement and social justice. It is also the day for the elimination of all forms of racial discrimination.

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Sample Book

Sharpeville commemoration

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opinions are important.

Viewpoint A

Sharpeville Day

Philip Kgosa
from Langa to
the "desecratio
the holiday shou
of an event that d

protest march of more than 30 000
massacre, has criticised what he calls
Sharpeville massacre. He insists that
to keep fresh an authentic memory
history in South Africa.

Mr Kgosana said, "I
day like this comes a
some of our pop singe
turned into some kind o
something celebratory an
that campaign in 1960. Ev
know little about it and hav

specially since 1994, when a
big do somewhere, calls in
drinking and all that...and it
have turned Sharpeville into
us who were involved in
and yet people today
Rights Day.
(*Lest we forget, 1988*)

Viewpoint B: March 21 is a Human Rights Day

"For South Africans Sharpeville m
the achievement of quality and socia
international day for the eliminatio
not just an anti-racism day but a Huma
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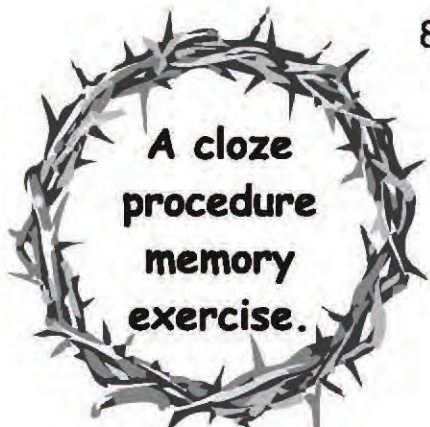
Class Activity: Hold a class debate to discuss
Should Human Rights Day be re
Day?



Individual activity: Write a letter to
ing your viewpoint
which you feel very
gry about.

Sample Book

The story of Easter



Listen to the audio recording after reading the text. Write the missing words in the gaps. See the example. You need to read to fill in the gaps.

Easter is a _____ festival, originally celebrating the end of winter and the beginning of spring. In different parts of the world, people gave different names to the god they believed had triumphed and brought life back to the world because _____ it was Adonis who died in winter and was reborn in spring.

In Europe people believed that the world was brought to life again in spring. Later her name was changed to Easter. When Christianity first spread across Europe, many of the older pagan beliefs were combined with the life and teachings of Jesus.

They did not try to stop people from celebrating their old pagan festivals, but the nature being renewed in spring became more important. Eostre, Eastre or Eostre was a goddess by spring and became the time for celebrating the rebirth of God. Instead of sacrificing animals, people began giving each other eggs to represent new life. The story of God's sacrifice of Jesus on the cross and his resurrection to life three days later.

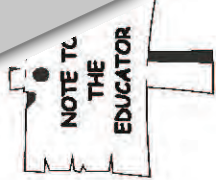
In A.D. 325 an important council was held in Nicaea. It decided that Easter should be celebrated on the first Sunday after the first full moon following the vernal equinox. This was later agreed by every Christian church.

Easter starts with the Easter Vigil and ends eight days later with Easter Sunday, which is a public holiday. Christians call this the Resurrection.

Sample Book

	PALM SUNDAY	MAUNDY THURSDAY	GOOD FRIDAY	EASTER DAY	EASTER SUNDAY
RELIGIOUS SIGNIFICANCE					
THE ORIGIN OF THE DAY'S NAME.					
ACTIVITIES BY THE CHURCH					

Sample Book



Learners into five groups. Each group receives core notes on their religious day in Holy Week. This information, learners create a picture on newsprint illustrating how Christians observe this day. The group leader reports back to the class explaining the symbolism of their picture. Later each learner completes the table as a record of the classwork.

CORE NOTES

Holy Week

(GROUP ONE)

Palm Sunday

On this day Christians commemorate the entry of Jesus into Jerusalem. The crowds tore branches down from roadside palm trees and threw them on the ground to make a path for Jesus to ride over. Blessings and giving out palm-leaf crosses is still the custom in Roman Catholic churches.



CORE NOTES

Maundy Thursday

(GROUP TWO)

The bible tells us that on the day of the Last Supper, Jesus gave his disciples to show that even the most important people should be humble and he gave a new commandment. The old Latin word for "command" was maudatum and this was shortened over the years to "maundy". In later years, priests used to wash the feet of twelve poor people and afterwards gave out small gifts of money or food.

As time went by, the ceremony became grander and even kings took it up.

In England today, one old man and one old woman for each year of the Queen's age, take part in a fine ceremony when the Queen gives them coloured leather purses containing specially-minted coins. (feet are not washed these days). The "Maundy money" coins can be spent in shops, but are usually kept as special souvenirs of the occasion.

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Good Friday

On Good Friday, Christians
 it is a day of prayer and
 sacrifice. Many feel
 sorry for the sins of the past
 and ask God for forgiveness.
 Jesus said, "I am the way, the truth, and the life."
 Some people believe that on Good Friday, others believe it
 meant "Holy".
 Millions eat hot cross buns on Good Friday to remind Christians



On Good Friday many years ago, Portuguese sailors used to flog effigies of Judas with sticks.

Tourists witness crucifixions

CUTUD, (Philippines) - Fourteen people were crucified in the Philippines yesterday and dozens more whipped their own backs into bloody pulp as the country commemorated the death of Jesus Christ nearly 2000 years ago.

An old custom

A present-day custom in some countries.

A German custom.



THE PASSION PLAY

Long before books were printed, history was learned by listening. To help everyone remember the story, it was acted out in Passion plays on Good Friday. Hundreds of years ago a plague, the bubonic plague, struck many of people and in 1633 the villagers of Eyam were stricken by it. As an expression of their devotion to God, the villagers vowed to God that they would perform the Passion play every ten years. To this day they have kept their promise.

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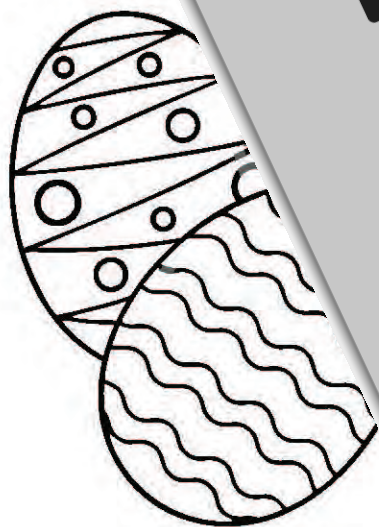
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Easter Day

For days of the year, more important than Christmas. It was believed that Jesus really was the true son of God. On the first day of the week, he rose from the dead and proved that there was life after death. Christians celebrate Easter by singing hymns, feasting and giving each other gifts. Eggs are symbols of spring and new life. On Easter Sunday, the Easter Bunny is carried around the church and when two people meet, they kiss and say "Christ is risen!"



THE IMPORTANCE OF THE RESURRECTION

...told you these things, so that in me you will have peace. In this world you will suffer. But take heart! I have overcome the world."

...a clue to find out the Resurrection.

1 Timothy 2: 5-6

Romans 1:4

How did the story of the Easter Bunny start?

The Easter hare was the sacred companion of the Goddess of spring, Eostre. Long before Christ was born, parents told their children that the magic hare would run through the night and bring them presents at the spring festival. These were often painted hens' eggs.



Sample Book

Easter Day

(GROUP FIVE)

E

This

occasion for sports and traditional outdoor games, such as football matches and motor races. In one English town, there were so many games played that the day after Easter was called "Ball Monday".



Motor racing is just held on Easter Mo.

One of the oldest customs is egg rolling - hard-boiled imitation wooden eggs are rolled down hillsides to see which reaches the bottom first. Back in 1877, the American children how to roll eggs. Even gardens of the White House in 100 000 eggs are rolled.

WHY DO PEOPLE PLAY WITH EGGS?

Egg rolling is a simple game left over from spring festivals. These were performed to ensure the fields grew good crops and also that the young women would bear lots of children.



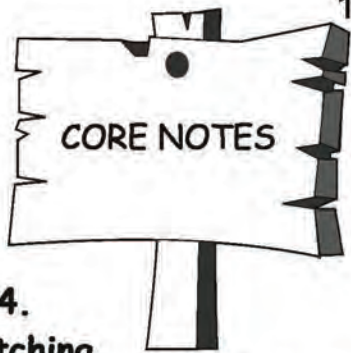
picture of villagers performing

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An egg-rolling competition on the lawns of the White House in America.

FREEDOM DAY -
A date that changed Africa forever.



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...k place on 27 April 1994.
...ne queues - some stretching
... - expressed better than any other single
... resolve of first-time voters to turn
... a democracy. By the time they cast
... y had waited for hours, most had
... e.



NEWSPAPERS ON APRIL 27.

<p>"Well may the be country cry now. I a country needed p it is that land of door beauty."</p> <p>Paul Johnson - British writer.</p>	<p>lay vn</p>	<p>"You're ready, we're ready let's do it."</p> <p>Independent Electoral Commission.</p>
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Looking back, it's hard to credit the
queuing when the headlines also re
that a powerful car bomb rocked Jan
Smuts Airport injuring 13 people - 3 o
them critically - and that the public mi
teemed with expectations of violence.

For some it came as a surprise that all
South Africans in one mixed political bag,
could actually do this without the sky
falling on their heads.

Scores had bought in stocks of tinned
food, candles and bottled water.
Democracy was such an unimaginable
concept, you never knew what might
happen when it actually came to pass.

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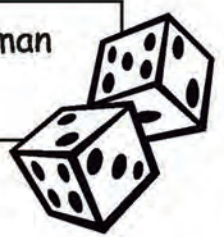
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Sample Book

How to play "A JOURNEY TO FREEDOM" Board Game.
 Play this game with 2 to 4 more learners.
 Throw a coin. Heads you move one place; tails you move two places.
 Move to the next place you land on. Then wait for your opponent to move again.
 The player who reaches the finish block first, is the winner.



"We have seen the triumph of freedom and human dignity."
 AHMED KATHRADA

FREEDOM

Place the correct meanings.
 Use your dictionary if you do not know them.
FREE SPIRIT; FREE-BIE; FREEWHEEL;
FREE-FOR-ALL; FREE-RANGE; FREE FALL

1	Something provided		
2	A pirate or lawless act		
3	An emancipated slave.		
4	The part of a parachute device		
5	Unrestricted discussion.		
6	Done by hand without special		
7	A person who eats or drinks at a		
8	Eggs (of hens) kept in natural con		
9	An independent or uninhibited person		
10	Ride a bicycle with the pedals at rest.		

APRIL 27 1994: SOUTH AFRICA ... **NS.**
MAY 10 1994: Who was



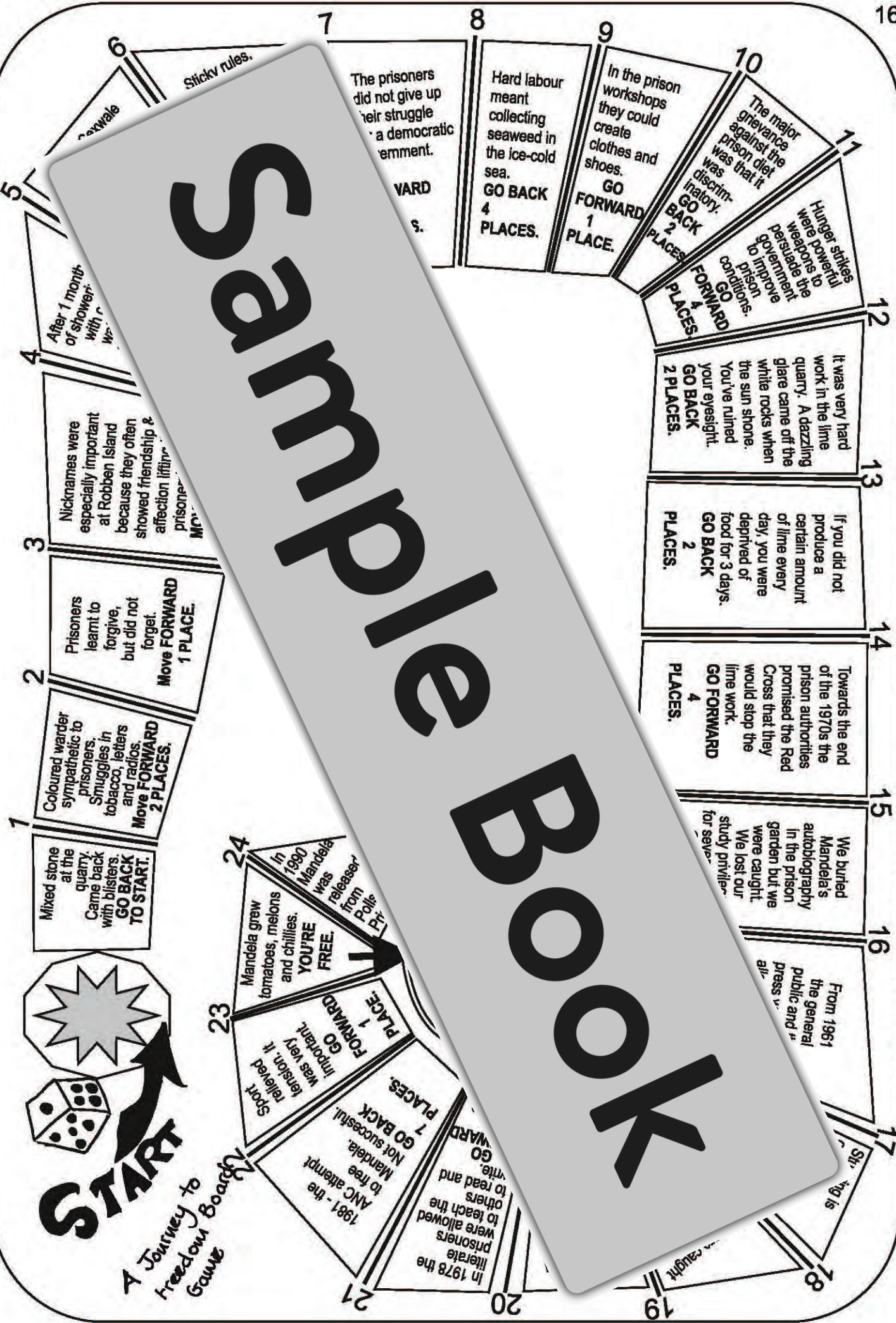
Sample Book

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A Journey to Freedom Board Game

Sticky rules.



1 Mixed stone at the quarry. Came back with blisters. **GO BACK TO START.**

2 Coloured warder sympathetic to prisoners. Smuggles in tobacco, letters and radios. **Move FORWARD 2 PLACES.**

3 Prisoners learnt to forgive, but did not forget. **Move FORWARD 1 PLACE.**

4 Nicknames were especially important at Robben Island because they often showed friendship & affection between prisoners. **Move FORWARD 1 PLACE.**

5 After 1 month of showering with water. **GO FORWARD 1 PLACE.**

24 Mandela grew tomatoes, melons and chillies. In 1990 Mandela was released from P. P. **YOU'RE FREE.**

23 Sport relieved tension. It was very important. **GO FORWARD 1 PLACE.**

22 In 1978 the prisoners were allowed to teach the others to read and write. **GO FORWARD 1 PLACE.**

21 ANC attempt to free Mandela. Not successful. **GO BACK 7 PLACES.**

7 The prisoners did not give up their struggle for a democratic government. **GO FORWARD 1 PLACE.**

8 Hard labour meant collecting seaweed in the ice-cold sea. **GO BACK 4 PLACES.**

9 In the prison workshops they could create clothes and shoes. **GO FORWARD 1 PLACE.**

10 The major grievance against the prison diet was that it was discriminatory. **GO BACK 2 PLACES.**

12 It was very hard work in the lime quarry. A dazzling glare came off the white rocks when the sun shone. You've ruined your eyesight. **GO BACK 2 PLACES.**

13 If you did not produce a certain amount of lime every day, you were deprived of food for 3 days. **GO BACK 2 PLACES.**

14 Towards the end of the 1970s the prison authorities promised the Red Cross that they would stop the lime work. **GO FORWARD 4 PLACES.**

15 We buried Mandela's autobiography in the prison garden but we were caught. We lost our study privileges for several months. **GO FORWARD 1 PLACE.**

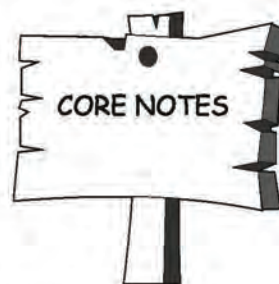
16 From 1961 the general public and the press were allowed to visit. **GO FORWARD 1 PLACE.**

20 In 1978 the prisoners were allowed to teach the others to read and write. **GO FORWARD 1 PLACE.**

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WORKERS' DAY - 1 May



The 1. condit laws, to

America to protest against poor working ed by workers to demand an end to the pass or education system.

The first w who had co work in the a tradition of w recognise May In the 1930's the as a holiday. It wa Industrial Council a

frica were white skilled workers and Australia to ight with them a the demand to ated in 1904. ended 1 May and in some



The struggle for the re The government passed which was designed also policies of the Governen people supported for the fir large-scale support. Various 1950's but by 1961 after a law Industrial Council agreements,

in 1950. Act

ned at challenging the May a day of protest and from work which received nd alive through the ition of May Day in for the next 25 years.

By the mid 1980's the progressive federations, Cosatu being the large. 1986 to mobilise the masses against release of political prisoners, the abol organizations and the n

consisted of three t-away on 1 May nds included the anned



The campaign was a mass newspapers called on the G public holiday, but it was on. Workers' Day. On this day we workers have played in bringin

izations and as a paid t

Issues that still need to be address our country are safe and healthy w equal pay for men and women, mate medical benefits and the rights of a w living wage.

Sample Book

LABOUR ISSUES: Stereotyping creates bias

Stereotypes are generalizations about people or groups of people and which we use to make generalizations about them. They are based on race, gender, religion, etc.

Study

Sample Book

White people are racist.

Disabled people aren't very smart.

Old people are grumpy.

...stingy.

Homeless people are lazy.

Men are insensitive.

Teacher... their hair in...

ctors have an easy life.

Blondes are dumb.



GROUPWORK

2. How do you think these...
3. For each stereotype listed, ... your interaction with someo. (preconceived ideas)
4. Discuss how damaging stereoty... (How would it make you feel to b... just because of your accent or you...

...pe according to what they ... age, etc.



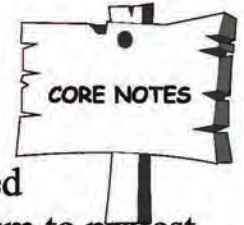
DRAMATISATION Role play (in p...



Use the groups' ideas ... situation. ... handed as ...
 Act out a situation at w... something he or she is n...
 How does this influence y...
 How can this damage your...
 What is the outcome of this...

WRITTEN COMMUNICATION

Write a paragraph on the dangers of stereotyping.



Sample Book

Sesotho placards. After a w... retreat but... killing their... reacted by th... by erecting bar... the protest that s... turned into genera... of apartheid in the... Administration Boar... beer halls and propert... were white owned busi... As the uprising gained n... reinforcements poured in... On 18 June the Prime Mini... Vorster, promised that law a... be maintained at all costs. By... the third day of the uprising so... students had been killed, many r... The uprising initiated on 16 June... influenced the way black South Af... 1976, the apartheid state faced ever... removals, education, housing and hon...

of 16 June 1976, students marched... schools in Soweto to Orlando Stadium to protest... as a medium of instruction in their schools. At... arrived to find 20 000 protestors singing the... The protest was peaceful, some holding... Government's language policy... ter into the crowd which caused them to... g, the police fired directly into the crowd... 3. Shocked and angered, students



Hesteren shocked the world

...d without trial. ...stly, it greatly ... ssion. From ... ws, forced ... point. ... country in ... rements in ... gns were ... keeper ... ur ... in which ... to be full and



A second effect w... their thousands to... exile. Thirdly, the up... international campaig... launched overseas and... consequences for South Africa. This country... in debt and further from a solution to its proble... The significance of the day today - on 16 June w... country and their contribution to the struggle for e... There are still enormous problems to be faced in cr... is equal, nonracial and free; an education that will en... free citizens in South Africa.

USE THE BILL OF HUMAN RIGHTS

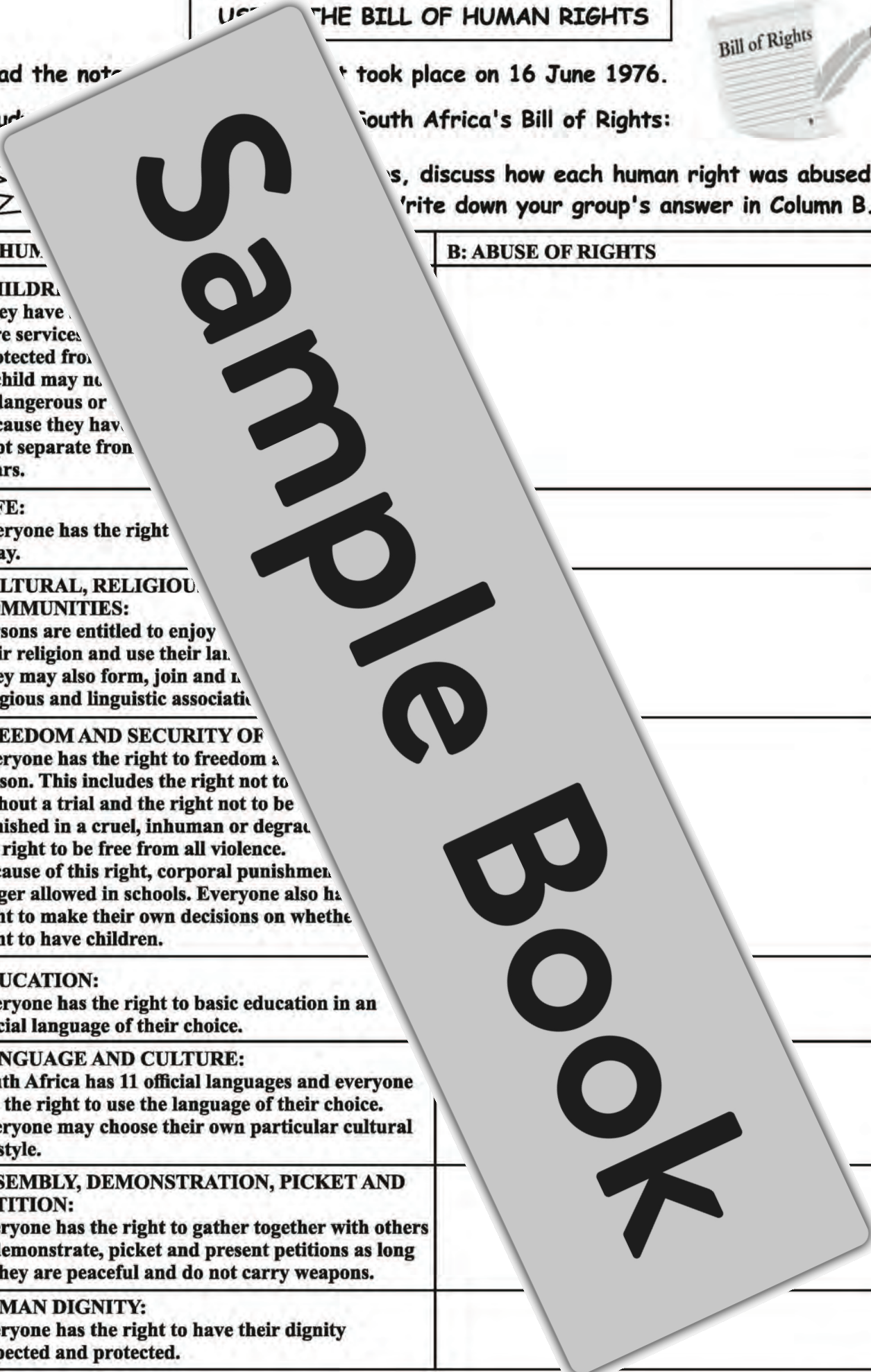


Read the notes on the Bill of Rights that took place on 16 June 1976.

Study the notes on South Africa's Bill of Rights:

...s, discuss how each human right was abused
Write down your group's answer in Column B.

A: HUMAN RIGHTS	B: ABUSE OF RIGHTS
<p>CHILDREN: They have the right to care services and are protected from abuse. A child may not be in a dangerous or harmful situation because they have been kept separate from their family for years.</p>	
<p>LIFE: Everyone has the right to life and to be free from arbitrary deprivation of life.</p>	
<p>CULTURAL, RELIGIOUS AND COMMUNITARIAN RIGHTS: Persons are entitled to enjoy their culture, practice their religion and use their language. They may also form, join and participate in religious and linguistic associations.</p>	
<p>FREEDOM AND SECURITY OF PERSON: Everyone has the right to freedom and security of the person. This includes the right not to be arrested without a trial and the right not to be punished in a cruel, inhuman or degrading manner. It also includes the right to be free from all violence. Because of this right, corporal punishment is no longer allowed in schools. Everyone also has the right to make their own decisions on whether or not they want to have children.</p>	
<p>EDUCATION: Everyone has the right to basic education in an official language of their choice.</p>	
<p>LANGUAGE AND CULTURE: South Africa has 11 official languages and everyone has the right to use the language of their choice. Everyone may choose their own particular cultural lifestyle.</p>	
<p>ASSEMBLY, DEMONSTRATION, PICKET AND PETITION: Everyone has the right to gather together with others to demonstrate, picket and present petitions as long as they are peaceful and do not carry weapons.</p>	
<p>HUMAN DIGNITY: Everyone has the right to have their dignity respected and protected.</p>	



Every child has 54 rights. Read some of the main ones.

**YOUR
OPINION
MATTERS**



name, to be granted a nationality and, to know and be cared for by their

separated from their parents against

views and to have those opinions expressed, which concern their well-being.

Freedom of association (being able to choose

freedom of peaceful

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discrimination or attacks on

of physical or mental health or maltreatment. The right to the highest attainable standards of health

to their physical, mental and moral development.

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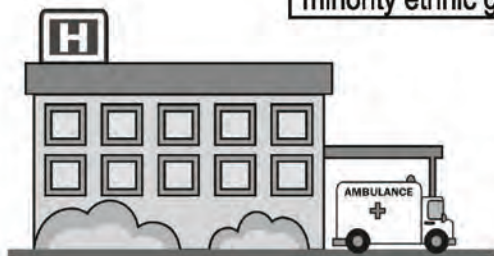
to play or

to be

- 0 The right to life
- 0 The right to act
- 0 The right to be treated with dignity and respect
- 0 The right to be free from arbitrary interference with their privacy, family, home or correspondence
- 0 The right to be free from hazardous or harmful work or education
- 0 The right to be free from exploitation and slavery
- 0 The right not to be recruited into the armed forces of any country until the age of 15.

The convention stresses that children should be protected if they are disabled, refugees or members of minority ethnic groups.

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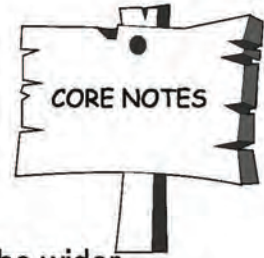


Study the list of Rights. List 1-15.

Then compare your lists. Set an order of importance.

Present as a group on

NATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY - 9 AUGUST



developed... of its ex... political... conference... for the rights... strongly in its... launched. Its a... society free of d...

Sample Book

men, especially Africans, have borne the brunt of the oppression in South Africa. Women have tended to be excluded from the decision-making structures of the family or the wider community, where traditional discussions in the rural areas have been dominated by men. Even in the urban areas, women were excluded. For the first 30 years of the struggle, women were to be auxiliary members and their role was limited to making teas, meals and accommodation for the men. A women's league was formed in 1918 to fight against the question of passes for women featured in the constitution. The Federation of SA women was formed in 1927 for national liberation and a



Women led by the leaders of the struggle (Sophie Williams, Amina Mkhomozi, and Ngoyi) marched up the steps of the Parliament building in Pretoria to deliver their petition. Thousands of women converged on the building and it was announced that the appointment had

been made to see the minister. Subsequent to this event, women were not required to carry a pass. Teachers and nurses could not be dismissed for housing were not considered if they were married to head men who did not insist on passes. Since the 1960s thousands of women have been required to carry their passes. Many women were arrested. Women fought alongside men in Umkhonto we Sizwe during the armed struggle. Since 1994 much has been achieved. Women can now vote for the first time. South Africa has one of the best constitutions in the world regarding the rights of women - one of the highest percentages of women in parliament. African women in particular suffer from poverty, unemployment, community and domestic violence and limited access to social services such as clinics and welfare assistance. National Women's Day serves as a reminder to the people of the nations of what has been achieved for women's rights and what still needs to be addressed to rectify gender discrimination in our land.



READING PASSAGE:

WOMEN IN HISTORY

Through the centuries, societies have treated women in different ways.

WOMEN IN THE ANCIENT WORLD

In the ancient world, women had considerable scope for financial independence. They were weavers, shopkeepers, scribes, cooks, spinners,

and so on. In some societies, women were financially equal in status to men. They could earn their own money and support their families. In Athens, women were subject to the control of their next of kin.

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In the seventh century AD, Mohammed allowed four wives. In a country where women were valued, two women to equal that of one man. In Christian societies, women were seen as responsible for mankind's departure from Eden. The Italian poet, Petrarch (1304-74) wrote: "The woman is an enemy of peace, a source of provocation, whom a man must hold himself apart."

At a later stage the cult of Mary developed a chivalrous attitude towards women. "The Lady" became a symbol of virtue and was placed on a pedestal considering them pure and sinless.

WIVES



Class activity:

This type of subject favours lively discussion, especially if the teacher has learners of both sexes.

Panel or forum discussions can be used as a follow-up activity after the reading skill.



Sample Book

ADVANTAGES OF PANEL DISCUSSION

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NOTE: A panel... It is a controlled



PANEL DISCUSSION

"Never beat a woman, not

"Women are there for the c... and the church." GERMAN P...

"A wife and her children must be... husband as an apple tree and its... to the gardener." NAPOLEON BON...

"If the good Lord had intended us all... equal rights to go out and work, he wou... have created man and woman." PATRICK JENKIN, MP 1979

"All this women's lib stuff is stupid because... I help my wife at home and most men do. Wom... don't have anything to complain about." STAN, a factory worker.

"A women's work is never done."

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Sample Book

HERITAGE DAY - 24 SEPTEMBER



24 September has traditionally been observed as Shaka Day in Kwa Zulu. Shaka played an important role in uniting the different clans into a nation, increasing the military strength of the Zulu. On this day the Zulu people celebrated their history, language and institutions. This day was presented to Parliament, 24 September was not accepted. The ANC Party objected and a compromise was agreed upon. The day is now known as Heritage Day and seen as a day when South Africans celebrate their cultural heritage that makes up a "rainbow nation". It is a day to recognize the contribution of all South Africans to the building of our country and the differences which in the past have been used to divide us. All our different groups, can now be celebrated. Whatever our background we come from, we all contribute to make this country colourful, rich and interesting.

HOLD A CULTURAL DAY

This day lends itself to a variety of activities that makes up our rainbow nation. It is a day of population groups and their acceptance.

! However small a minority, that we should know more about the diversity of our country and the values of tolerance and acceptance.

Sample Book

STUDY AND RESEARCH A DIFFERENT CULTURE

ST. PATRICK'S DAY (17 March)

Use your atlas to find the following places and label them on the map of the "Emerald Isle". NORTH IRELAND; REPUBLIC OF IRELAND (EIRE); BELFAST; DUBLIN; BLARNEY; LIMERICK

Why is this day celebrated in the Republic of Ireland?

Why aren't there any snakes

What is the Emblem of



Why did St. Patrick drive the snakes out of Ireland? Tourists visit Blarney to kiss the Blarney Stone. Why?

What do the English call the Irish? _____

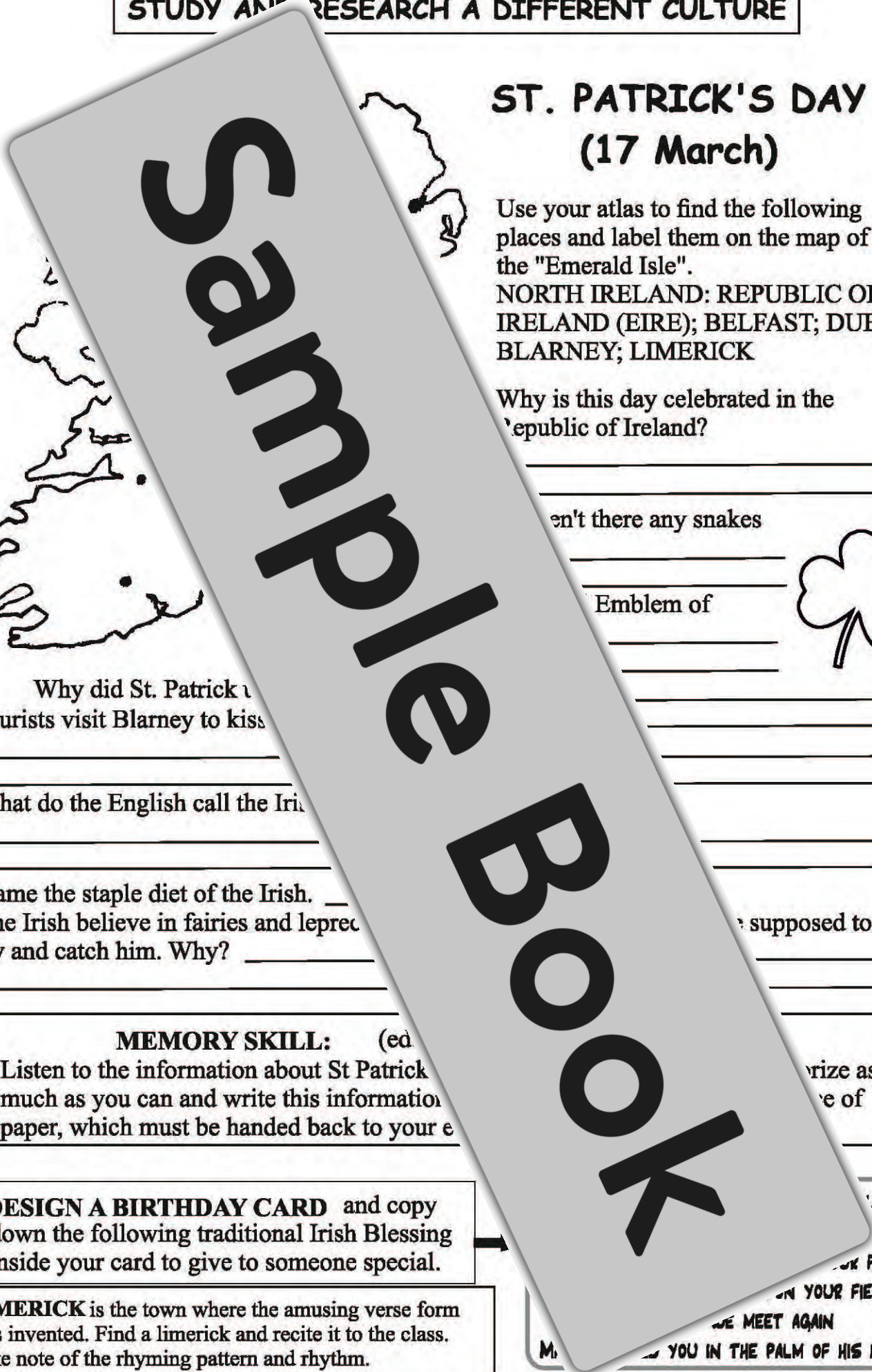
Name the staple diet of the Irish. _____ The Irish believe in fairies and leprechauns. How do you try and catch him. Why? _____

MEMORY SKILL: (ed) Listen to the information about St Patrick and summarize as much as you can and write this information on a piece of paper, which must be handed back to your teacher.

DESIGN A BIRTHDAY CARD and copy down the following traditional Irish Blessing inside your card to give to someone special.

LIMERICK is the town where the amusing verse form was invented. Find a limerick and recite it to the class. Take note of the rhyming pattern and rhythm.

... FACE ... YOUR FIELDS ... MEET AGAIN ... YOU IN THE PALM OF HIS HAND.



VALENTINE'S DAY - 14 FEBRUARY



A LISTEN

List... of the romance

ROMA

For over... as been the haven of... of parental opposition. In days gone by... and Edinburgh and was the first... Green came into prominence in... a Bill was introduced in Parliament... and.

It did not take long... that as soon as they crossed the... Scottish Marriage Law made it... selves man and wife before... the Church and this wedding... business was considered

Lots of stories can be told... back, hopping mad, often... armed with a gun, who arriv... marriages of their... runaway children. But mostl... ge had taken place.

In England one has to be 18 be... the permission of ones... parents, whilst in Scotland one c... Act passed in 1857... laid down that the bride or groom... for the previous... twenty-one days in Scotland. This a... number of... marriages for about forty years. Sinc... y it was mostly... the Blacksmith who functioned as "A

One of the last Anvil Priests - Mr Rennis... 147 couples... over the Anvil. Later on, the church again... and since... 1940 all Anvil-marriages were made illegal... their official... wedding, still visit the Old Blacksmith's Ma... additional... Scottish Oath.



Sample Book

LOVE IS IN THE AIR

groups act out your runaway marriage, the stagecoach and eventually your marriage by the "Anvil Priest" (with the angry parents trying to catch you.)

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Be sure...
Honest me...

Sample Book

Wedlock is like a place besieged: those within wish to get out, those without wish to get in.

A good husband makes a good wife

All's fair in love and war

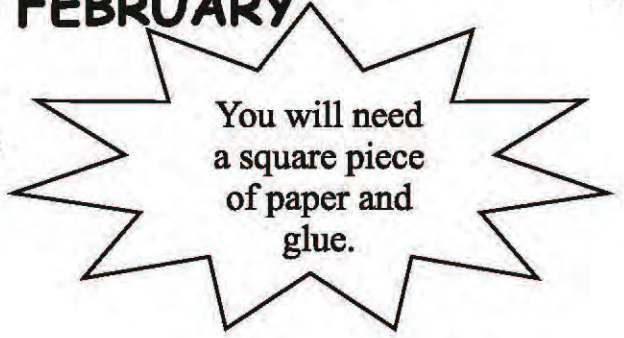


Marry in haste, repent in leisure
The love of a woman and a bottle of wine, are sweet for a season but last for a time!

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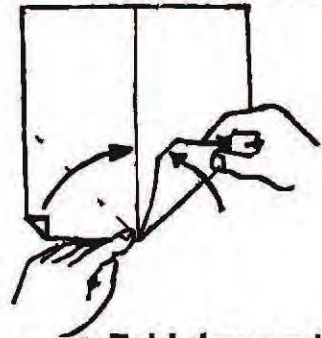
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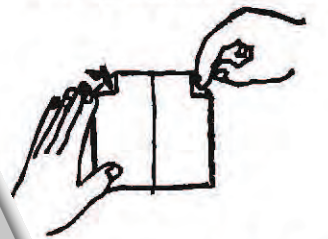
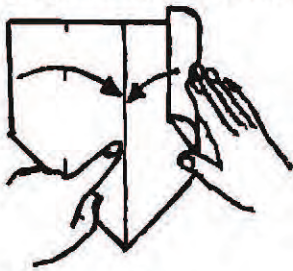
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3. Now fold what is
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the middle fold line.

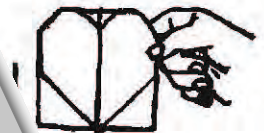


4. Turn the paper ove.
Fold the sides
in to meet the middle

6. Fold down a little
of each top corner
Press flat & unfold.

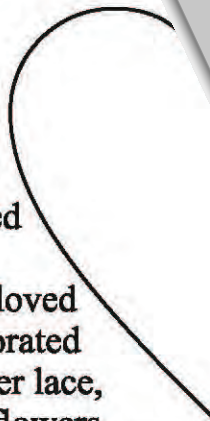


7. Push the top
corners down inside
the heart along the
fold lines made in Step 6



Don't forget to make your cards
.....ANONYMOUS.....

In the 18th Century it was
customary to send hand-
made cards to the love of
your life. These were decorated
with paintings of flowers or
hearts enclosing a verse for a loved
one. The early Victorians decorated
their cards with woven or paper lace,
ribbons, tinsel, satin, pressed flowers,
feathers and shells.



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Samples
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8	All newborn babies infected.	... ers are		
9	Blood contains more H...			
10	HIV can be passed on by			
11	During the window period a even if you are infected.	... t		
12	In South Africa, anti AIDS dru supplied to state health sector p...			
13	If you wear a red ribbon it means			
14	HIV causes AIDS.			
15	HIV can be passed on by sharing cups,			

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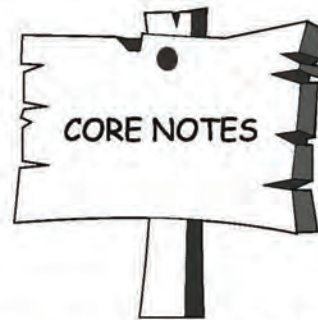
Wear your red ribbon to show your commitment to the fight against HIV/AIDS



Stay... HIV-p... so if yo... will die... positively, ... don't smoke, practice safe sex, ex... get plenty of sleep.

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There are approx. 7.5 million people across South African living with HIV.

RIGHT TO PRIVACY
You have a right to privacy.
Lay your concerns with the Council of South African Dentists and dentists.
You can also contact the Human Rights Commission, a government organization

HIV/AIDS AND YOUR RIGHTS

The South African Constitution has a Bill of Rights that protects all people. You have a right to privacy only you decide whom you want to tell.

Treat body fluids such as semen and mucous with care.
There is a chance of getting infected if you have open sores in your mouth or throat.



It can take many years before a person with HIV develops symptoms because people are reluctant to have an HIV test, and many people with HIV do not know they are infected.



The red ribbon is seen worldwide as a symbol of unity and awareness of AIDS. It is worn to show solidarity with people who are infected with HIV and in memory of those who have died from AIDS.

INCUBATION PERIOD

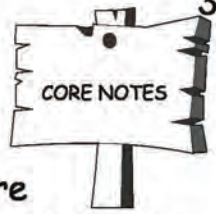
It can take up to three months for an HIV infection to become detectable. This makes it difficult to know if you have HIV unless you are tested.

COUNSELLING is available

AIDS Training, Information and Counselling is available in most big towns. The free 24 hour AIDS helpline is available on 0800 123 456.

Sample Book

WORLD PRESS FREEDOM DAY - 3 MAY



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Sample Book

Everyone has the right to freedom of opinion and expression; this right includes freedom to hold opinions without interference and to seek, receive and impart information and ideas through any media and regardless of frontiers.

- Article 19, Universal Declaration of Human Rights

news reporters have been ambushed.

... was sent to prison for reporting on the ...'s heart condition.

... have been intimidated and their offices ... they have lost their jobs.

... sive regime in West Africa. They ... trashed newspaper offices and ... position journalists of treason.

... " (Kabila's totalitarian rule)

... nned, intimidated and ... ing a government

In Cameroon 1998, opposition leader ... sent to prison for a year ... from

... njawe was ... suffered

Johann Gutenberg was the first person to perfect the art of printing with movable types. The first book ever to be printed was the famous Gutenberg Bible. Note the old 15th century printing press in the picture. The books which were printed before 1500 are called incunabula which means "swaddling clothes" or books printed when printing was in its infancy.



ATLAS WORK:

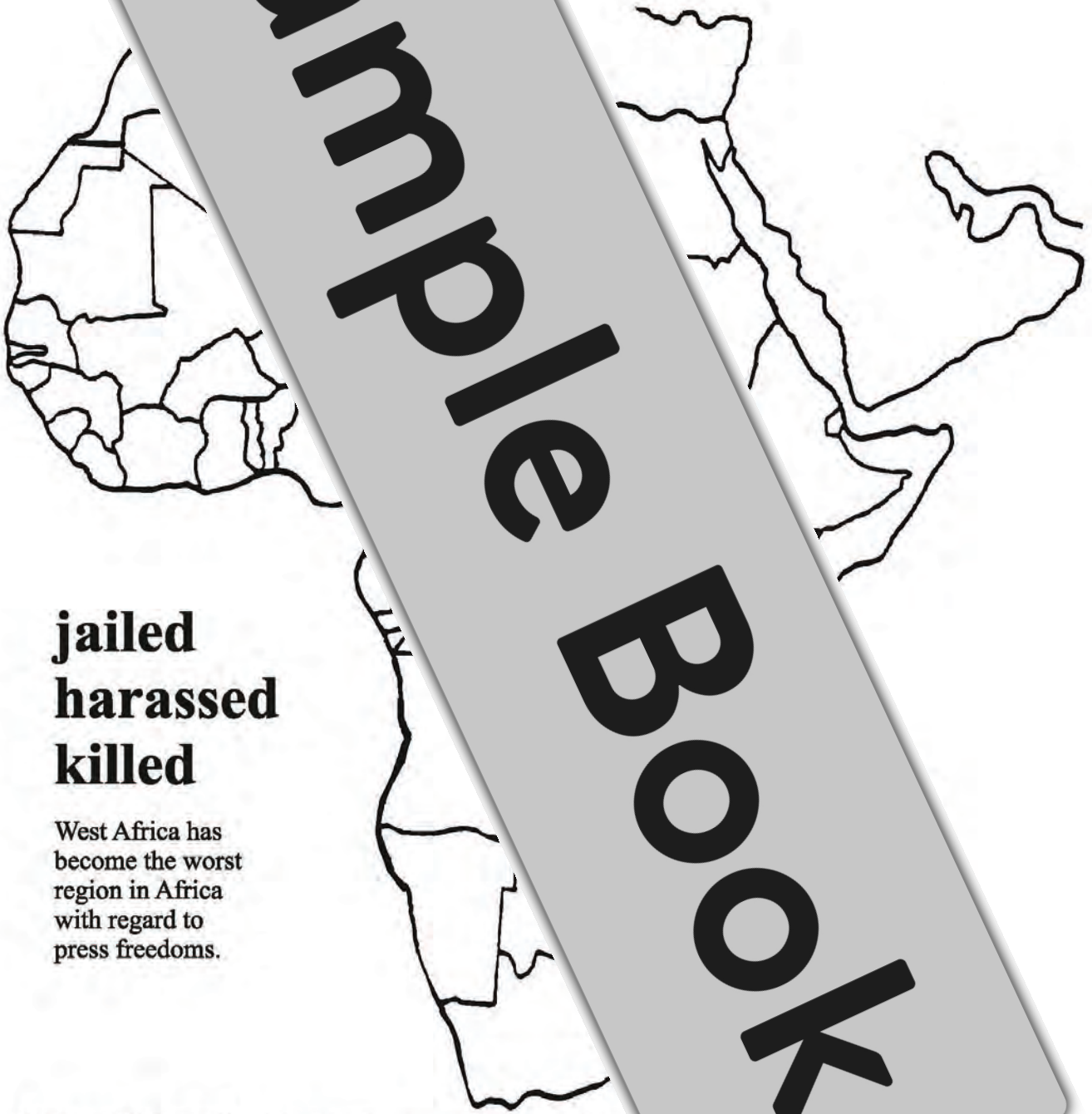


Use your atlas to identify countries in Africa where freedom of the press is protected. Label the map of Africa.

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Label and color (different colour) where the freedom of the press is protected.

(different colour) where the freedom of the press is protected.



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harassed
killed**

West Africa has become the worst region in Africa with regard to press freedoms.

WRITTEN TASK: Pretend you are a journalist at the Sunday Independent, explaining the situation in West Africa and how fortunate South Africa is with its FREEDOM OF THE PRESS.

ARBOR DAY



Arbor Day is celebrated to celebrate the beauty and benefits that trees provide to our environment and to do something positive to the world.

By celebrating Arbor Day every South African helps to counteract the effects of deforestation on the environment.



AIMS OF ARBOR DAY:

- to highlight the vital role played by trees in the natural environment.
- to promote a better knowledge of indigenous trees and their value.
- to stress the necessity of planting trees by individuals and to encourage the youth to participate in tree planting in the community.



In South Africa to improve the living conditions of 1/3 of the population, to stop the loss of topsoil annually, to provide the simple pleasures of life.



to improve the living conditions for their daily needs, to provide the simple pleasures of life.

The Tree

Let us pause for the taking of in
 To measure the debt we owe the tree.
 For the searching root that knits the
 The cooling shade for those who toil,
 The air we breathe, nature's greatest gift,
 and the lead that heralds each season's shift.

Forget not the fruit that feeds man and
 beast.
 The branch that burns to prepare the feast.
 That sturdy frame that builds the home,
 And the paper on which you read this poem.
 The tree gives all and asks no prize,
 Even making the axe that ends its life.

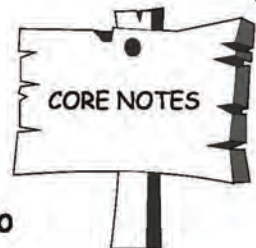
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WARNING!

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THE ORIGINS OF ARBOR DAY

Arbor Day was first celebrated in the American state of Nebraska when a young man named J. Sterling Arbor joined the agricultural board in 1872 to help plant trees after his house, Arbor Lodge. In March 1943, the United States and South Africa decided to make Arbor Day a national holiday. The date on which it is celebrated varies. Arbor Day was celebrated in 1983. The date on which it is celebrated depends on each country's planting season.

TREE OF THE YEAR

Two trees are chosen each year: one which is scarce and one which is a useful all-round tree. The date on which Arbor Day is celebrated in South Africa is on the second Friday of March.



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The two most common are the broad-leaved trees. The three rarest are the cycads.

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Tree ferns first appeared on earth over 300 million years ago.

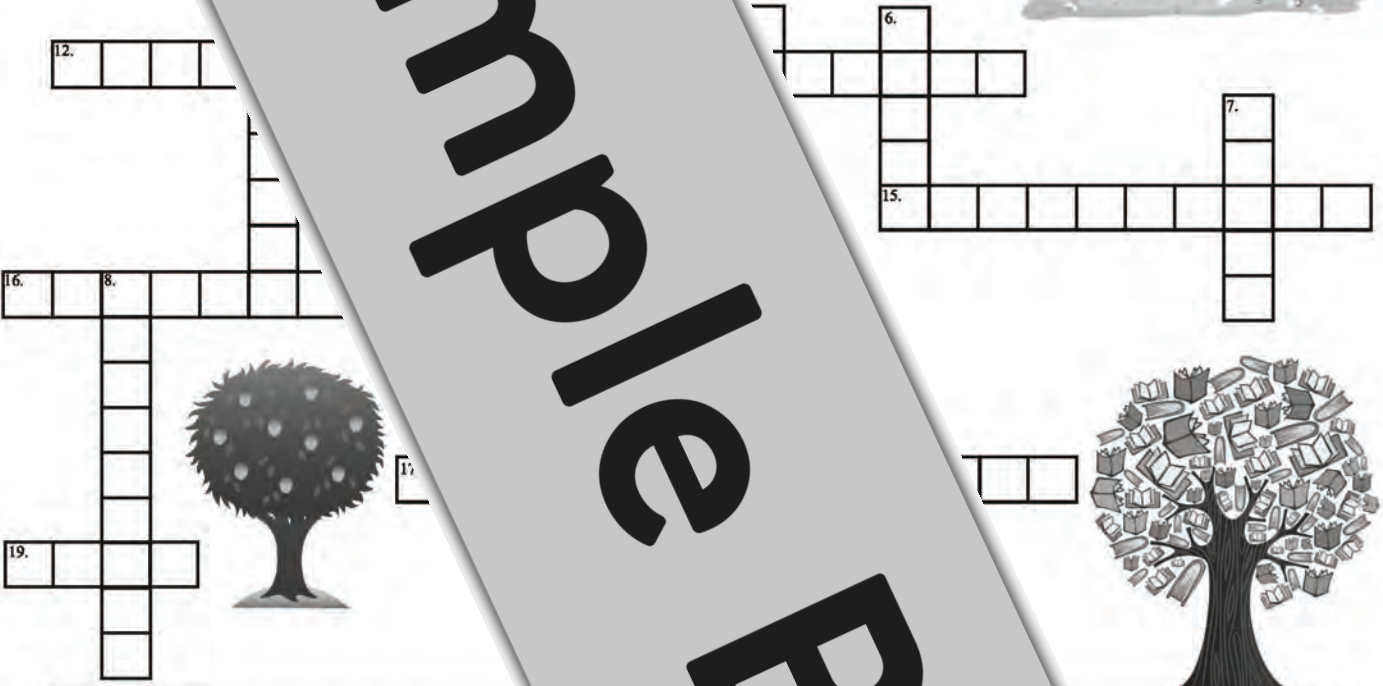
Cycads are ancient plants, some were around 200 million years ago.

Sample Book

Barkina ... The Right Tree

Trees are with the most amazing and versatile living things providing people. WOODn't you agree???????

WHY WE NEED TREES

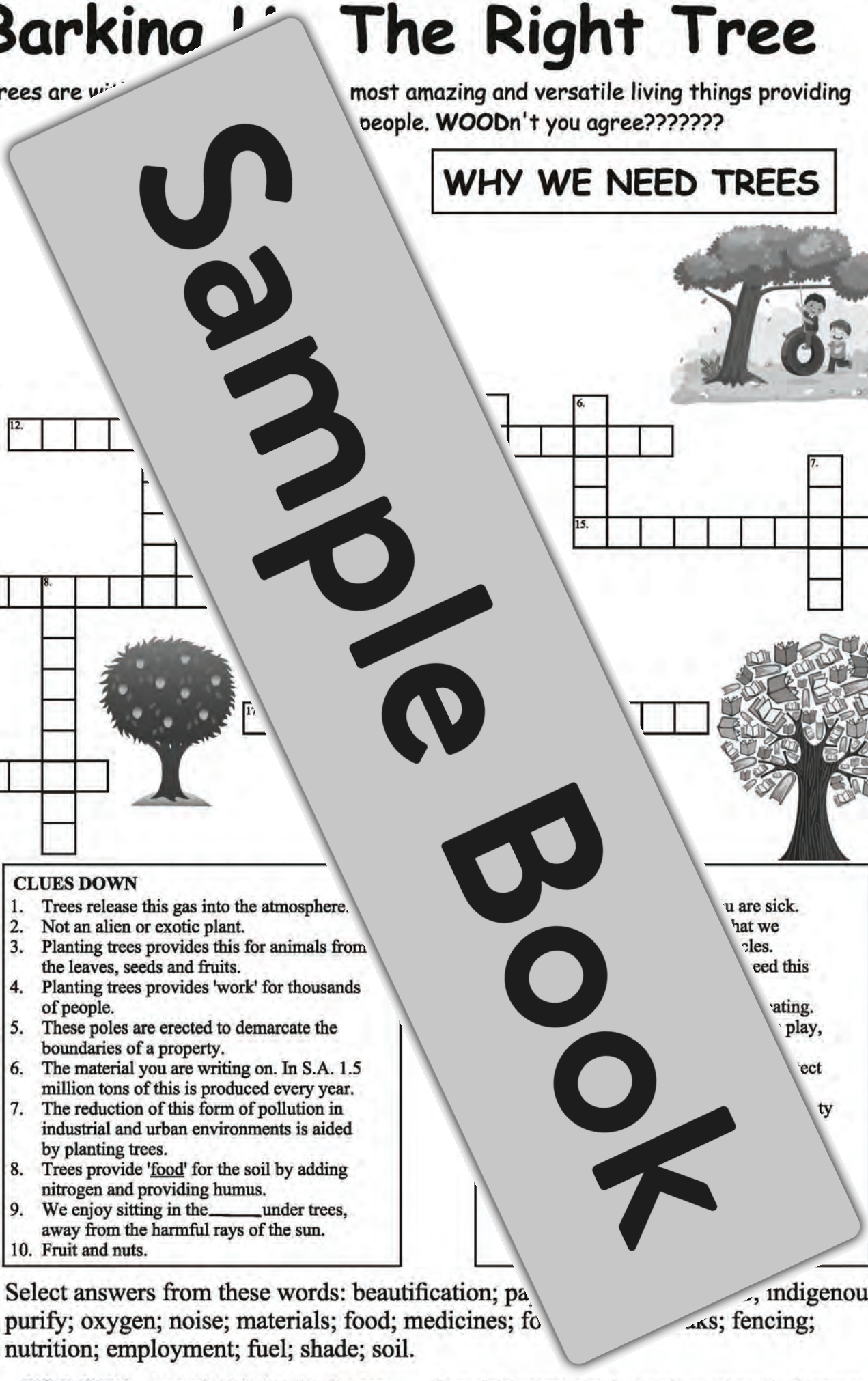


CLUES DOWN

1. Trees release this gas into the atmosphere.
2. Not an alien or exotic plant.
3. Planting trees provides this for animals from the leaves, seeds and fruits.
4. Planting trees provides 'work' for thousands of people.
5. These poles are erected to demarcate the boundaries of a property.
6. The material you are writing on. In S.A. 1.5 million tons of this is produced every year.
7. The reduction of this form of pollution in industrial and urban environments is aided by planting trees.
8. Trees provide 'food' for the soil by adding nitrogen and providing humus.
9. We enjoy sitting in the _____ under trees, away from the harmful rays of the sun.
10. Fruit and nuts.

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Select answers from these words: beautification; pa..., indigenous; purify; oxygen; noise; materials; food; medicines; fo...ks; fencing; nutrition; employment; fuel; shade; soil.



HUG A TREE and other activities on

1. The most important benefits of trees are soil erosion and soil enrichment. INDIGENOUS trees are not only better at preventing soil erosion and disease and they have a far greater oxygen-generating capacity than any other garden.
2. Initiate a tree-planting program in your community.
3. Organize a tree-planting program in your school.
4. Distribute information about the benefits of trees.
5. Design posters about the many benefits of trees.



Rubbing a tree up the right way!!

Place white paper over a knotty piece of wood and rub a wax candle over it. Soak cotton wool in ink and rub all over the paper.

The unwaxed parts will take the ink. When the paper is quite dry, you can scrape away the wax with a craft knife blade.

The rubbing came from the wood of a pew in an old church.

ANSWERS:

Page	Answer
4	...g all nations peace, justice, brotherhood and prosperity.
8	...conds ...OE ..., originally celebrating the end of winter and the coming ...ferent names to the gods they believed had triumphed ...e <u>East</u> it was Adonis who died in <u>winter</u> and was ...ght the world to life again in spring. Later her ...cross Europe, believers in the new faith ...ng them to fit in with the life and teachings ...for their old pagan <u>Goddess</u> , Eostre. ...ring and became the time for people ...other eggs to represent new <u>life</u> , ...oss and then celebrate his coming ...he <u>first</u> Sunday after the first ...one and the rule is still used ...onday public holiday.
12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o "We know that God, who raised Jesus and take o For there is one God, and there is the man Jesus o Christ, who gave himself to die at that time that God o As to his divine holiness, he was saved by being raised o from death.
15	1. Freebee 2. Freebooter 3. Freedman 4. ...reloader 8. Freerange 9. Free spirit 10. Freewheel Nelson Mandela
20	ABUSE OF RIGHTS CHILDREN: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Learners were maltreated. Teargas was shot into protected from harm - many lost their lives. LIFE: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o 500 students died, their right to life was take away. CULTURAL, RELIGIOUS AND LINGUISTIC COMMU <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Learners were not able to use their language as a mediu

Page	Answers
25	<p>PERSON threatened. Many died. Hundreds were detained medium of instruction. of instruction. AND PETITION a peaceful way.</p>
26	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o He o St. I o The s o Clover o He used o A stone in t from the top, bears a Latin inscri es the stone is said to acquire a flu o Bogtrotters. 1. When burned, the turf's smoke fil o Potatoes o With him is a pot yours. o A thickening agent
28	<p>Absence.... When separ to you. Be sure.... Ensure you are Honest men.... Wise men d Wedlock is.... we always wa A good husband.... Being posi partner. All's fair.... The more persistent Marry in haste.... take time before consequences lo The love.... Love changes as time g</p>
30	<p>1T 2T 3F 4F 5T 6F 7F</p>
36	<p>1. oxygen 2. indigenous 3. fodder 8. nutrition 9. shade 10. food 11. me 15. recreation 16. windbreaks 17. beau</p>

Sample Book

APPENDIX

(read the following information to the learners)

St. Patrick was born in Scotland where his father was a
 taken to Ireland as a slave in the early 400's.
 ed to France, where he studied for the

missionary in 432. He was made famous
 ty and by driving all the snakes out of

He bec e no fewer than 60 churches and
 cathedra after him.

The most trick's cathedral in Dublin, the
 grounds of which he baptized his converts.
 He introduc literature into Ireland.

After his deat ed as centres of learning.

In addition to b te his name and work every
 March 17.

This celebration h he world as a holiday as
 well as giving ever it Irish themselves, on
 that day.

Sample Book