



Stages	Procedure	Time
Objectives	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To practice <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. scanning skills b. predicting skills c. inferencing skills 	
Warmer	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Teacher conducts a class discussion. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. What does the phrase "Sunshine after rain mean to you"? 2. Teacher leads into the topic of the day. 	5 mins
Pre-reading	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Teacher projects Task 1 on the screen 2. Teacher gets students to work individually and upon completion students share their answers with a partner. 3. Teacher elicits answer from students. 	10 mins
While-Reading	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Teacher arranges students in pairs, distributes Task 2. 2. Students read and predict in Task 2. 3. Teacher elicits answers from students. 4. Students continue reading to confirm their prediction. 	8 mins
Post-reading	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Teacher checks whose prediction was the closest. 2. Teacher distributes Task 3. 3. In small groups, students infer and find clues to justify their inferencing. 4. Teacher discusses the answers. 	12 mins
Wrap	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Teacher does a concept check of the lesson. 	5 mins

TASK 1

Answer the questions below and compare answers with a partner.

1. Choose a country you would like to study in.

2. Will you be able to adjust to the following?
 - a. Weather
 - b. Culture
 - c. Food

Explain your answer.

TASK 2

Read and predict.

Sheila Wong had always been a **bright** and bubbly girl. Her parents called her their 'little sunshine' because she would always bring joy wherever she went. To top it all off, Sheila was the top of her class and was offered a scholarship to study abroad at a private school.

Sheila had never been overseas before so naturally, her parents were worried about her safety. For nights, her mother could not sleep very well as she had this **nagging** feeling within her to stop her child from leaving home. Her husband assured her that it was simply the anxiety that a mother would feel when a child leaves the home and nothing more. With little to counter her husband, Sheila's mother simply tucked those nasty thoughts away.

When the day came for Sheila to depart, her mother could not help but cry buckets of tears as she hugged her beloved daughter at the airport.

"Promise me you will call every day."

"I will, mum. I love you."

"I love you too, Sunshine."

For the first few weeks, Sheila kept her promise and called home every day. She told her mother about how wonderful the school was, how wise the teachers were and how friendly the students were. Sheila's mother **relayed** these stories to her husband who teased her about how unnecessarily worried she was before their daughter left. Sheila's mother gave a weak smile back because the nagging feeling within her had never left. In fact, it grew stronger.

Months went by and the calls became less frequent – from daily calls to weekly, monthly and then nothing! It had been two months since Sheila last contacted her parents. They

began to worry and called the private school hoping someone could pass the phone to Sheila.

“Hello? I am Sheila’s mother. Is she there?”

“Hello, Mrs. Wong. We are now having our semester break and so, all our students are back in their homes. Sheila was one of the students who stated that she was going home. Has she not contacted you?”

“No, we have not heard from her for two months...”

What do you think happened to Sheila Wong?

TASK 3

Answer the questions below.

	CLUES
A. Is Sheila a weak student?	
B. Was Sheila depressed abroad?	
C. Is Sheila’s mother a strict person?	
D. Will Sheila go abroad to continue her studies?	

ANSWERS

Task 1

Answers may vary

Task 2

Answers may vary

Task 3

		CLUES
A.	Is Sheila a weak student? No	She received a scholarship
B.	Was Sheila depressed abroad? Yes	She had injuries on her arms
C.	Is Sheila’s mother a strict person? No	In true Chinese affection her mother scolded her but they hugged each other.
D.	Will Sheila go abroad to continue her studies? Probably not after her ordeal abroad.	There was discussion about her going back in the story.