# LESSON PLAN NOVEMBER 2019

## **INDOOR PLANTS**



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## ADVANCE

Stages	Procedure	Time
Objectives	<ol> <li>To practice         <ol> <li>skimming sub-headings</li> <li>skimming for the main idea of the passage</li> <li>scanning for specific information</li> </ol> </li> </ol>	
Warmer	<ol> <li>Teacher shows a picture of a family living with unclean air in the house. Teacher asks students         <ul> <li>What are the consequences of unclean air in the house?</li> <li>What do you use to clean the air in your house?</li> </ul> </li> <li>Teacher leads into the topic of the day.</li> </ol>	5 mins
Pre-reading	<ol> <li>Teacher arranges the students into pairs.</li> <li>Teacher distributes Task 1.</li> <li>Teacher asks students to skim the title and headings to complete Task 1.</li> <li>In pairs, students discuss and work on Task 1.</li> <li>Teacher checks answers.</li> </ol>	5 mins
While-Reading	<ol> <li>Teacher distributes Task 2.</li> <li>In pairs, students discuss and complete Task 2.</li> <li>Teacher checks the answers and provides feedback.</li> </ol>	15 mins
Post-reading	<ol> <li>Teacher distributes Task 3.</li> <li>In pairs, students discuss and complete Task 3.</li> <li>Teacher checks the answers and provides feedback.</li> </ol>	10 mins
Wrap	<ol> <li>Teacher does a concept check of the lesson by asking         <ul> <li>What other indoor plants are commonly grown in Malaysian homes?</li> <li>Are indoor plants better than air-purifiers? Why?</li> </ul> </li> </ol>	5 mins

## TASK 1

## Skim to answer the questions below. 1. Total number of paragraphs: \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Topic sentence: \_\_\_\_\_\_ 3. Concluding sentence: \_\_\_\_\_ 4. Write the benefits of indoor plants below: a. \_\_\_\_\_ b. \_\_\_\_\_ C.\_\_\_\_\_ d.\_\_\_\_\_ e. \_\_\_\_\_ 5. Write the four indoor plants featured in the article below: a. \_\_\_\_\_ b. \_\_\_\_\_ C. \_\_\_\_\_ d. 6. What is the main idea of the passage? a. Some plants are more beneficial than others. b. The best indoor plants for healthy living.

- c. The benefits of indoor plants and the best indoor plants for top quality air.
- d. The importance and benefits of indoor plants.

### TASK 2

#### Match the clauses below to form a zero conditional sentence structure.

- 1. When plants release oxygen,
- 2. If you keep indoor plants,
- 3. If patients receive flowers when they are sick,
- 4. If indoor humidity is higher,
- 5. If patients take care of plants by watering and pruning them,
- 6. If you keep just one plant,
- When you study or work in the presence of plants,

- a. it cleans the air in a space of 9 square metres.
- b. they recover faster.
- c. your oxygen levels increase.
- d. your concentration, memory, and productivity improve.
- e. you get less incidences of dry skin, colds, sore throats, and dry coughs.
- f. flu virus survival and transmission decrease.
- g. their blood pressure lowers as well as their pain, anxiety, and fatigue levels.

## TASK 3

#### Choose the correct answer for each question below.

- 1. The following are benefits of the Weeping Fig except
  - a. absorb carbon dioxide.
  - b. remove oxygen from the air.
  - c. remove formaldehyde and trichloroethylene from the air.
  - d. converts carbon dioxide to oxygen.
- 2. Which indoor plants mentioned in the article are the easiest to care for?
  - a. Peace Lily and Snake Plant
  - b. European Ivy and Weeping Fig
  - c. Ficus Tree and Mother-in-Law's Tongue
  - d. Peace Lily and English Ivy
- 3. Which indoor plant is toxic when consumed?
  - a. Peace Lily
  - b. European Ivy
  - c. Mother-in-Law's Tongue
  - d. Ficus Tree
- 4. To reduce mold in your home, you can grow
  - a. Peace Lily
  - b. European Ivy
  - c. Mother-in-Law's Tongue
  - d. Ficus Tree

- 5. Which is the best summary for the article?
  - a. Keeping indoor plants can help improve your mood and overall happiness.
  - b. Some indoor plants such as the Ficus Tree, English Ivy, Snake Plant, and Peace Lily are more beneficial than others.
  - c. Indoor plants provide numerous health benefits, and particularly the Ficus Tree, English Ivy, Snake Plant, and Peace Lily clean the air in your home.
  - d. Growing indoor plants helps you get closer to nature.

### **ANSWERS**

#### Task 1

- 1. 16 paragraphs
- 2. **Topic sentence:** Keeping indoor plants at home will bring numerous benefits for your whole family.
- 3. **Concluding sentence:** Whether you live in a small apartment, or a large house, by introducing certain plants into your home, you will start to notice improvements to your health, and overall happiness.

#### 4. Benefits of indoor plants:

- a. They help us breathe.
- b. They help deter illness.
- c. They clean the air.
- d. They boost healing.
- e. They help you work.

#### 5. Four indoor plants:

- a. Weeping Fig or Ficus Tree
- b. Peace Lily
- c. Snake Plant or Mother-in-Law Tongue
- d. English/European Ivy

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#### Task 2

- 1. c
- 2. e
- 3. g
- 4. f
- 5. b
- 6. a
- 7. d

#### Task 3

- 1. b
- 2. a
- 3. c
- 4. b
- 5. c