



## Congratulations!

Well done to all of the students who took part in last month's Trinity exam. We are delighted to announce that all of the students passed with great results. Practise in English speaking tests like Trinity will really help children adapt to the new 334 secondary teaching system.

## How to use Quotation Marks



Quotation marks are a piece of punctuation which often confuse people and are often used incorrectly. If you struggle when using quotation marks, read on!

There are two kinds of quotation mark;

single quotation marks



and speech marks



Single quotation marks are used to pick out a particular word, letter or phrase. For example:

All children should read 'The Lion, The Witch and the Wardrobe' by C.S. Lewis.

Speech marks (also known as inverted commas) show when someone is speaking. For example:

"Let's go to school," Jill shouted to Jessica.

Another area where people commonly make mistakes is the use of other punctuation when using quotation marks. All other punctuation marks such as exclamation marks, commas and full stops should be placed inside the quotation marks. However, when the speaker comes before the speech, a comma should be placed before the quotation mark as in the sentence below;

Jessica replied, "I'm coming, slow down!"

## RTL Material Update

Level 13 continues to be progressively introduced and here is an update of what the students can look forward to.

The Equality of Women is studied in detail, drawing upon examples from China, India and Africa to name a few. The role of women throughout history is looked at with implications relating to present day and the future.



Illiteracy and education is studied and discussed using world literacy statistics to make comparisons between nations. Initiatives to help raise literacy rates highlighted and alternative methods of schooling are considered.

The State of the Planet is looked at with Hong Kong being the main case study. The demographics of Hong Kong are analysed to show how migration, birth and death rates put stress on the fragile ecosystems of Hong Kong. Energy usage and carbon emissions are looked at for major countries around the world. Thought provoking questions are asked and the students are exposed to a great deal of new vocabulary.

The causes of Water Pollution are studied and students are asked, 'what can be done to help reduce our negative impact on the world's water supply?' The use of fertilizers and pesticides is questioned and industrial run off is looked at.

These topics aim to provide students with a greater awareness of the world around them; developing oral skills and critical thinking using interesting issues which the students can relate to.

Please say hello to our friendly North Point staff



Mico has been working at RTL since October 2004 and enjoys the different aspects of working with parents and children.

Winnie has been working at RTL since September 2006. She finds her work here rewarding and exciting because she loves working with children.

## Easter Word Search

M	K	D	E	C	C	U	D	G	C	P	G	P	G	B
K	V	H	H	T	V	U	N	Y	A	K	N	V	N	U
K	C	I	H	C	A	I	D	S	E	T	I	E	I	N
B	A	S	K	E	T	L	T	D	G	D	K	A	R	N
E	D	W	A	N	D	E	O	X	L	C	S	P	Y	
G	Z	U	I	H	L	N	I	C	Y	A	T	S	K	
G	F	A	T	I	B	B	A	R	O	K	R	E	Y	C
S	P	T	R	E	A	T	S	Y	F	H	C	R	Q	A
S	R	C	A	W	S	Y	U	M	M	Y	C	U	Q	U
W	O	L	L	A	M	H	S	R	A	M	N	U	D	O

BASKET  
BUNNY  
CHICK  
CHOCOLATE  
CRACKING  
CUDLY  
DUCKY  
DYED  
EASTER



EGGS  
MARSHMALLOW  
PAINTING  
PASTEL  
QUACK  
RABBIT  
SPRING  
TREATS  
YUMMY

Happy Easter! We hope you all enjoy the Easter holidays.

## Events Calendar 2008

04th Apr - RTL open Ching Ming Festival  
06th Apr - Introduction of RTL Referral Programme  
10th Apr - RTL open Good Friday  
11th Apr - RTL open The day following Good Friday

13th Apr - RTL closed Easter Monday  
14th - 16th Apr - Cambridge Preparation Classes  
26th Apr - Cambridge ESOL Examinations

## Spotlight on Mr Benjamin and one of his classes



Mr Benjamin describes the class as very hard working and mature. The students adopt a thoughtful approach to their work leading to highly interesting discussions and debates. The class has just started Level 12.



Cyril Chan enjoys coming to RTL as it provides him with the opportunity to apply what he learns both in his oral and written work.



Teresa Chan likes the phonics work and learning new reading words to expand her vocabulary.



Jack Man has been coming to RTL for years and he enjoys the reading page as he has been able to follow the plot as it unfolds.

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