

**Group:** Group G

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**Topic:** Digestive System

Subject: English

**Level:** Primary 6 (28 students)

**Time of lesson:** 90 minutes in total (a double lesson)

#### **Context:**

This class of P.6 students had learnt the process of digestive system and photosynthesis during General Science lessons preciously. They are going to notice sentence structures describing digestive system. Students would then write short text about photosynthesis in this English lesson with similar structure.

Students should have learnt about:

- 1. the digestive system and photosynthesis in General Studies lessons
- 2. how to identify the passive voice, the to-infinitive phrases and the prepositional phrases

#### **Teaching objectives:**

Upon completion of the lesson, students are able to:

- 1. use the passive voice in describing the process of the digestive system
- 2. use the to-infinitive phrases to tell the purpose of the events that happen in digestion
- 3. use the prepositional phrases to tell where the events in the process of digestion happen.

#### Teaching innovation adopted in the lesson, and the justifications:

Both inquiry learning and cooperative learning approach are adopted in this lesson.

- 1. Students are required to answer questions focusing on vocabularies in text
- 2. Students are required to work in group to find the target language items assigned to each group by jigsaw reading
- 3. Students are required to work in group to construct a flow chart of digestive system.
- 4. Students are required to work in groups to draft the writing a 150-to-200-word text about photosynthesis



5. Students are required to write a short text 150-200 words individually about photosynthesis using the language items that are taught.

#### **Teaching resources:**

Pre-task: Reading passage of digestive system, Vocabulary worksheet, Powerpoint and Youtube Video

While-task: Reading passage of digestive system, Powerpoint, Flow Chart of digestive System and Summary of digestive system

with grammar items

Post-task: Reading passage of digestive system, Powerpoint, Flowchart of photosynthesis and Writing sheet for the final

assignment

**Abbreviations**: Ss - Students, T - Teacher

#### **Appendix:**

Appendix I: Reading passage of digestive system

Appendix II: Vocabulary worksheet

Appendix III: Summary of digestive system with grammar items

Appendix IV: Flowchart of the digestive system

Appendix V: Flowchart of photosynthesis

Appendix VI: Writing sheet for the final assignment

Appendix VII: PowerPoint slides



Purpose of teaching/ Stage	Teaching sequence and activities	Resources	Time (min)	Assessment
Pre-task:  • To activate Ss' interest and schema of the digestive system  • To recap the meaning of the vocabulary related to the digestive system (e.g. chew, digestive juices etc.)	Pre-task: Whole-class activity Inquiry Learning  1. T starts the lesson by recapping Ss have learnt the idea about the digestive system in General Studies lesson.  2. T distributes the reading passage of digestive system and vocabulary worksheet.  3. T asks Ss to finish the vocabulary worksheet and plays the cartoon video the Magic School Bus about digestive system.  4. T reveals the answers of the vocabulary worksheet with the help of the PPT  5. T teaches Ss the targeted vocabulary with the help of the PPT.  6. T shows the pictures of the vocabulary and Ss have to guess the meaning of the vocabulary.	<ul> <li>Reading passage of digestive system (appendix I)</li> <li>Vocabulary worksheet (appendix II)</li> <li>PowerPoint (appendix VII)</li> <li>YouTube video "Magic School Bus For Lunch - Digestive System Station" (https://youtu.be/5 iBCeJwqYjM)</li> </ul>	15	• Ss' responses to T's questions



	<ul> <li>7. T divides the words into chunks to help the Ss learn the pronunciation.</li> <li>8. T reveals the meaning of the vocabulary in the PPT.</li> <li>9. T repeats the steps for other vocabulary.</li> </ul>			
<ul> <li>While-task:         <ul> <li>To trigger Ss' thinking on the purpose of process description</li> </ul> </li> <li>To introduce Ss the grammatical features of process description</li> <li>To provide Ss a cooperative learning task that can exchange views with groupmates</li> </ul>	<ol> <li>While-task: Jigsaw-reading         <ol> <li>T divides the whole class into 6 expert groups.</li> <li>T assigns one targeted language, i.e. passive voice, to-infinitive phrases, and the prepositional phrases to each expert group.</li> <li>Ss analyse the text in expert group according to the assigned targeted language.</li> <li>T arranges jigsaw groups and Ss share findings of the targeted language. (Jigsaw-reading)</li> </ol> </li> <li>T teaches targeted language explicitly with Ss share their</li> </ol>	<ul> <li>Reading passage of digestive system (appendix I)</li> <li>Summary of digestive system with grammar items (appendix III)</li> <li>Flowchart of the digestive system (appendix IV)</li> <li>Powerpoint (appendix VII)</li> </ul>	25	<ul> <li>Observation of Ss performance in the group task</li> <li>Ss' responses to T's questions</li> </ul>



	findings in class. T distributes and asks Ss to fill in the Worksheet regarding the process of digestive system.  6. Ss construct a diagram, i.e. a flow chart, in groups about digestive system according to the acquired text so that they have a clearer understanding on the content. (Cooperative-learning)			
<ul> <li>Break</li> <li>Allow Ss to have a rest after the first session</li> <li>Take care of individual learning difference</li> </ul>	<ol> <li>Ss are given a break time.</li> <li>T can observe and approach the Ss to see if they have difficulties on the work.</li> <li>Ss are also encouraged to raise questions.</li> </ol>		5	/
Post task  • To teach Ss new knowledge • To provide opportunities to Ss applying knowledge		<ul> <li>Reading passage digestive system (appendix I)</li> <li>Flowchart of photosynthesis (appendix IV)</li> </ul>	45	T gives direct feedback regarding the Ss' writing



learnt i.e. targeted
language

 Allow Ss to reflect on their work

- 2. Ss write a draft about photosynthesis in groups and T gives feedback for the Ss' improvement on their language.
- 3. T wraps up the lesson.

- Writing for final assignment (appendix VI)
- PowerPoint (appendix VII)

#### **Homework:**

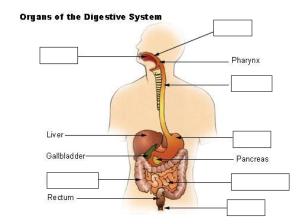
Ss compose a text with 150-200 words individually describing photosynthesis with target language taught.





#### **Digestive System**

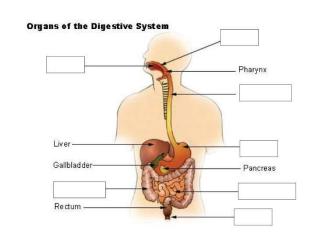
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tongue	mouth	pharynx	oesophagus
liver	stomach	gallbladder	pancreas
large intestine	small intestine	rectum	anus
digested	undigested	chew	grind
saliva	swallow	absorb	digestive juices









## Chew

To crush food into smaller, softer pieces with the teeth





### Grind

To crush something into very small pieces



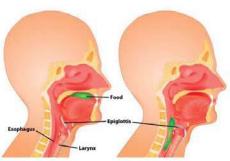
# Saliva

The liquid produced in your mouth to keep the mouth wet and help to prepare food to be digested



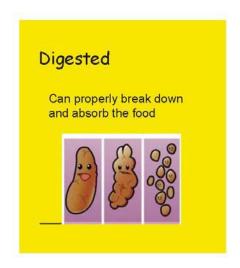
## **Swallow**

To cause food to move from your mouth to your stomach by using the muscles of your throat



# **Undigested**

Food is not broken down properly





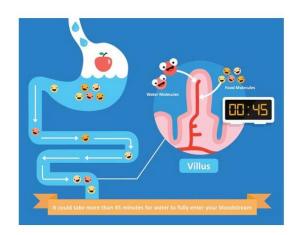
# Digestive juices

Fluid stored in the stomach or intestines that helps digesting food.



### Absorb

To take something in



## You are now divided into 6 groups

Focus on one grammar feature

Group 1 & 2: passive voice

Group 3 & 4: to-infinitive

Group 5 & 6: prepositional phrase

Underline the sentences with the feature and jot down its common characteristics.

Go to a new group Share your findings

Let's share in class



#### Passive voice

- Is chewed and grinded
- Is also mixed
- Is passed down
- Is mixed
- Is further digested and absorbed
- Is absorbed

#### Be+Past Participle

Tell what happens

#### **Prepositional Phrase**

- Inside the mouth
- With saliva
- Into the stomach
- Inside the stomach
- With digestive juices
- *Inside* the small intestine
- Into the blood vessels
- In the intestine
- From the food
- Through the anus

Preposition+Noun phrase

Tell where the events happen

#### To-infinitive

- · To make it into smaller pieces
- To make it soft for swallowing
- · To digest part of it

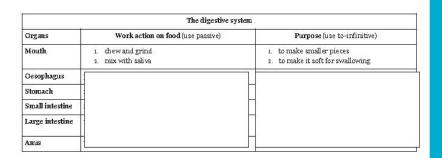
To-verb

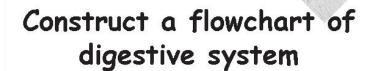
Tell the purpose of the events

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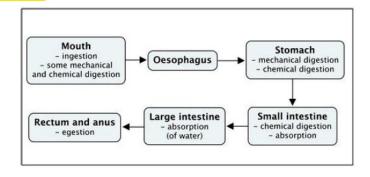
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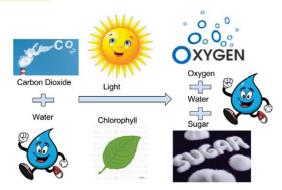
## Sample







## **Photosynthesis**



Write a draft describing photosynthesis in groups

Let's share in class

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# Compose a text (150-200 words) describing photosynthesis

• Remember what have been taught in class

## Suggested Language

Passive Voice

- Be+Past tense
- Tell what happens

#### To-infinitive

- To-verb
- Tell the purpose of the events

#### Prepositional Phrase

- Preposition+Noun phrase
- Tell where the events happen



#### Appendix I: Reading passage of digestive system

The following is the passage of our digestive system.

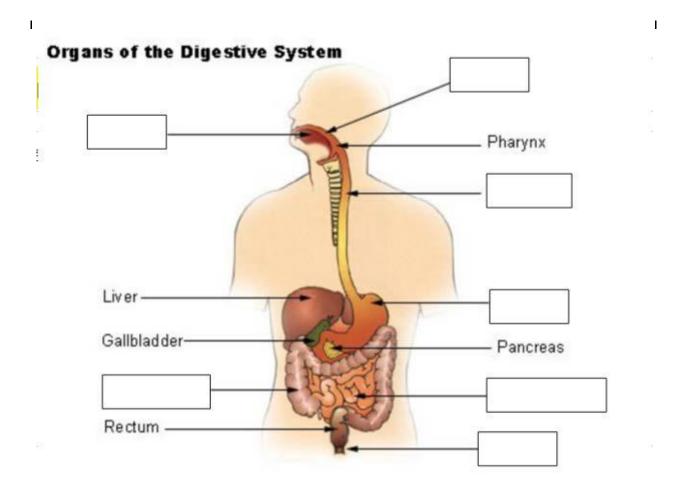
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## Appendix II: Vocabulary worksheet

#### Vocabulary worksheet

Use the following vocabularies to fill in the labellings of the body below.



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**Appendix III: Summary of Digestive System with Grammar items** 

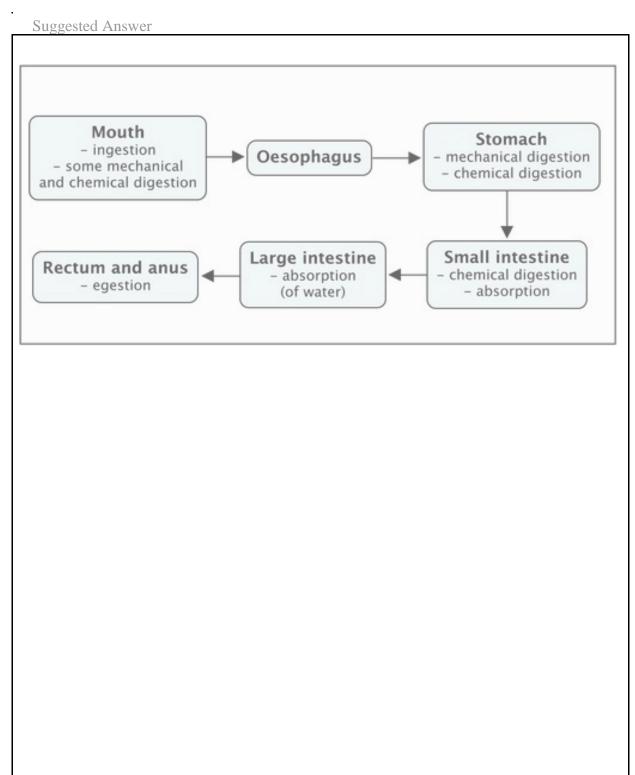
The digestive system					
Organs	Work action on food (use passive)	Purpose (use to-infinitive)			
Mouth	<ol> <li>chew and grind</li> <li>mix with saliva</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>to make smaller pieces</li> <li>to make it soft for swallowing</li> </ol>			
Oesophagus		/			
Stomach					
Small intestine		/			
Large intestine					
Anus					



## Appendix IV: Flowchart of the digestive system

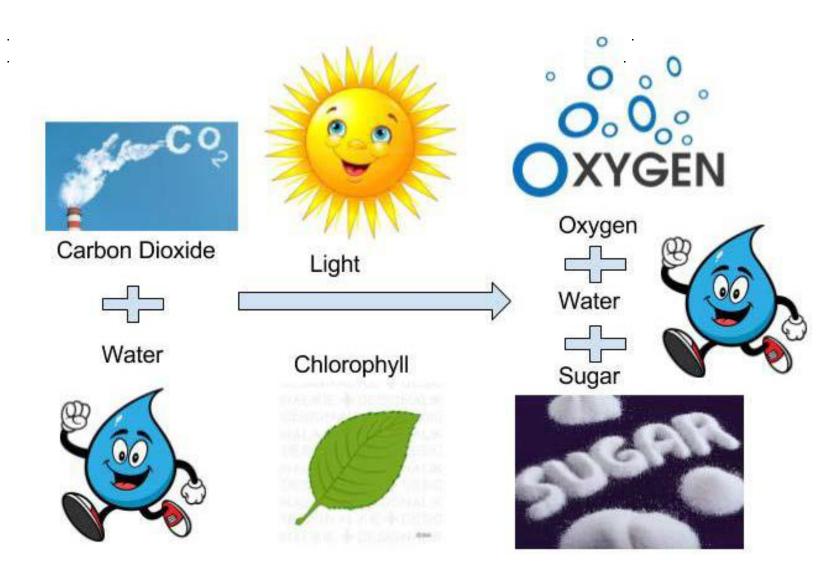
#### **Digestive System**

Draw a flowchart of the digestive system in the box below.





Appendix V: Flowchart of photosynthesis Photosynthesis





# Appendix VI: Writing sheet for the final assignment Composition




#### Rubric

Criteria/Scale	3 Exceeds expectations	2 Meets expectations	1 Needs improvement	0 inadequate
Organization  □ logical flow □ transitions	Demonstrates a well- organized flow of photosynthesis	Mainly logical flow of photosynthesis	Sequencing of photosynthesis is attempted	Little or no organization; Relies on single idea
Language use  □ grammar accuracy & mechanics □ sentence structure □ punctuation	Correct and accurate usage of Grammar with appropriate sentence structure	Some grammatical error with proper sentence structure	Basic sentence structure with many grammatical errors	Inaccurate usage of Grammar with inappropriate sentence structure
Level of understanding  □ clarity of concepts □ accurate content	High level of understanding in photosynthesis concept and content	Adequate level of understanding in photosynthesis concept and content	Limited understanding in photosynthesis concept and content	Fail to show understanding in photosynthesis concept and content



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