

Grade 7



English

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READING

- Read chapter 16 of The Chronicles of Narnia and answer the questions based on the text.
- Read the comprehension “War Child” on pg.203 and answer the questions that follow based on the text.
- Complete the information text worksheet about WhatsApp in your language and comprehension books.

LANGUAGE

- Complete classroom activity 4 pg.206 in your language and comprehension books.
- Complete the multiple choice cloze worksheet in your language and comprehension books.

Grade 07 HL– Reading for information

Use the anagram (mixed letters) to create 10 new words. You may only use the 6 letters provided. Use dictionaries to assist you. Write the words in the columns.

S A E L Z E

What is an information text?

It is a non-fiction (factual) text written with the intention of sharing information such as literary non-fiction, speeches, literal essays and journalism.

Read the following text on WhatsApp and answer the questions set on it.

Reading Comprehension.

WhatsApp is a free to download messenger app for smartphones. WhatsApp uses the internet to send messages, images, audio or video. The service is very similar to text messaging services, however, because WhatsApp uses the internet to send messages, the cost of using WhatsApp is significantly less than texting.

Brian Acton and Jan Koum came up with the idea of WhatsApp while working out 5
in the gym. Their goal was to connect people all around the world free of charge.
WhatsApp quickly became the most popular messaging app, despite the internet
being flooded with other messaging apps. In fact, WhatsApp has been downloaded
over 48 million times, ever since its launch. Since its inception, the messaging app
has known many changes. 10

Initially WhatsApp was just a simple messaging application when it was founded in
2009. However, it only became famous as of February 2014 when it reached over
200 million users. Within the same month, the application was acquisitioned by
Mark Zuckerberg. The CEO of Facebook said that the application matches his
vision of having a tool which provides internet services for free. The purchase 15
of WhatsApp cost a solid \$19 billion.

Just a few months later, it reached over 600 million active users in August 2014.
Seeing the success of the app, the developers decided to make it even more
interesting. In March 2015, they added a new feature to the app- the free voice

calling. Many telephone companies felt threatened after this feature was released. In November 2016, video calling was introduced followed by WhatsApp's release of their own set of emoji's (emoticons) in October 2017.

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There are various other features which make messaging easier on WhatsApp. For instance, the application lets you bold, strike or italicize a text before sending it. Group chats are very popular amongst WhatsApp users. The best feature as per users is the fact that you are made aware of whether the receiver has seen or ignored your message. WhatsApp allows users to keep in touch with people living abroad and you can share your live location with family and friends.

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As per the stats, 60 billion messages are sent and received on WhatsApp on a daily basis. Plus, there are over 600 million photos alongside 100 million video messages which are sent every day! It is also responsible for 27% of the selfies which are shared on social media.

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**Acquisitioned: To buy or purchase*

(Taken from the internet: www.whatsappfounders.com)

Question 1.

1.1 Choose the correct answer and write down the correct letter only.

1.1.1 The abbreviation '*app*' in the text refers to ...

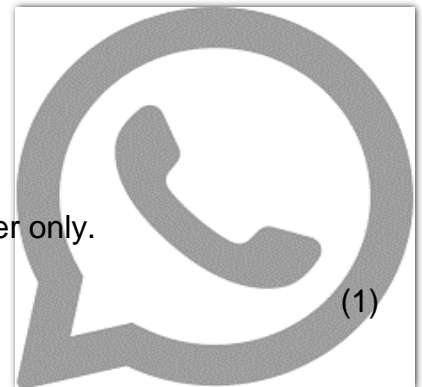
- A) an application
- B) an appliance
- C) approximately
- D) appropriate

1.1.2 Which of the following statements is TRUE in paragraph 1?

- A) WhatsApp is completely free to use.
- B) WhatsApp works the same as text messaging services.
- C) WhatsApp is a cheaper way of sending text messages.
- D) WhatsApp doesn't need an internet connection to send messages.

1.1.3 Why did Brian Acton and Jan Koum go to the gym?

- A) To work out.
- B) To create WhatsApp.
- C) To come up with a new idea.
- D) To connect people all around the world.



(1)

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- 1.2 Which word in line 8 suggests that there are a lot of messaging apps? (1)
- 1.3 How many times has WhatsApp been downloaded? (1)
- 1.4 Match the important events in WhatsApp's history from Column B with the correct dates in Column A and write down only the letter on your answer sheet. (5)
- Example 1.4.1 E**

Column A	Column B
1.4.1. 2009	A. WhatsApp reaches over 600 million active users.
1.4.2. August 2014	B. WhatsApp introduces free voice calling.
1.4.3. March 2015	C. WhatsApp reaches over 200 million active users.
1.4.4. November 2016	D. The year WhatsApp was founded.
1.4.5. October 2017	E. WhatsApp introduces video calling.
	F. WhatsApp releases their own emoticons.

- 1.5 What vision did the creators of WhatsApp and Mark Zuckerberg share? (1)
- 1.6 Write down two facts from paragraph 3 which prove that WhatsApp is successful. (2)
- 1.7 Why do you think telephone companies felt threatened (line 20) after WhatsApp added free voice calling to their app? (1)
- 1.8 Say whether the following statements are TRUE or FALSE.
- 1.8.1 You need to add a minimum of two people to your conversation to form a group chat. (1)
- 1.8.2 WhatsApp allows you to talk to people in other countries. (1)
- 1.9 Do you think being able to share your live location is a good or a bad idea? Formulate two well developed sentences to support your answer. (2)
- 1.10 Was the comprehension text's purpose to entertain or to inform? (2)

Grade 7 – Technology graph (Inclusion exercise)

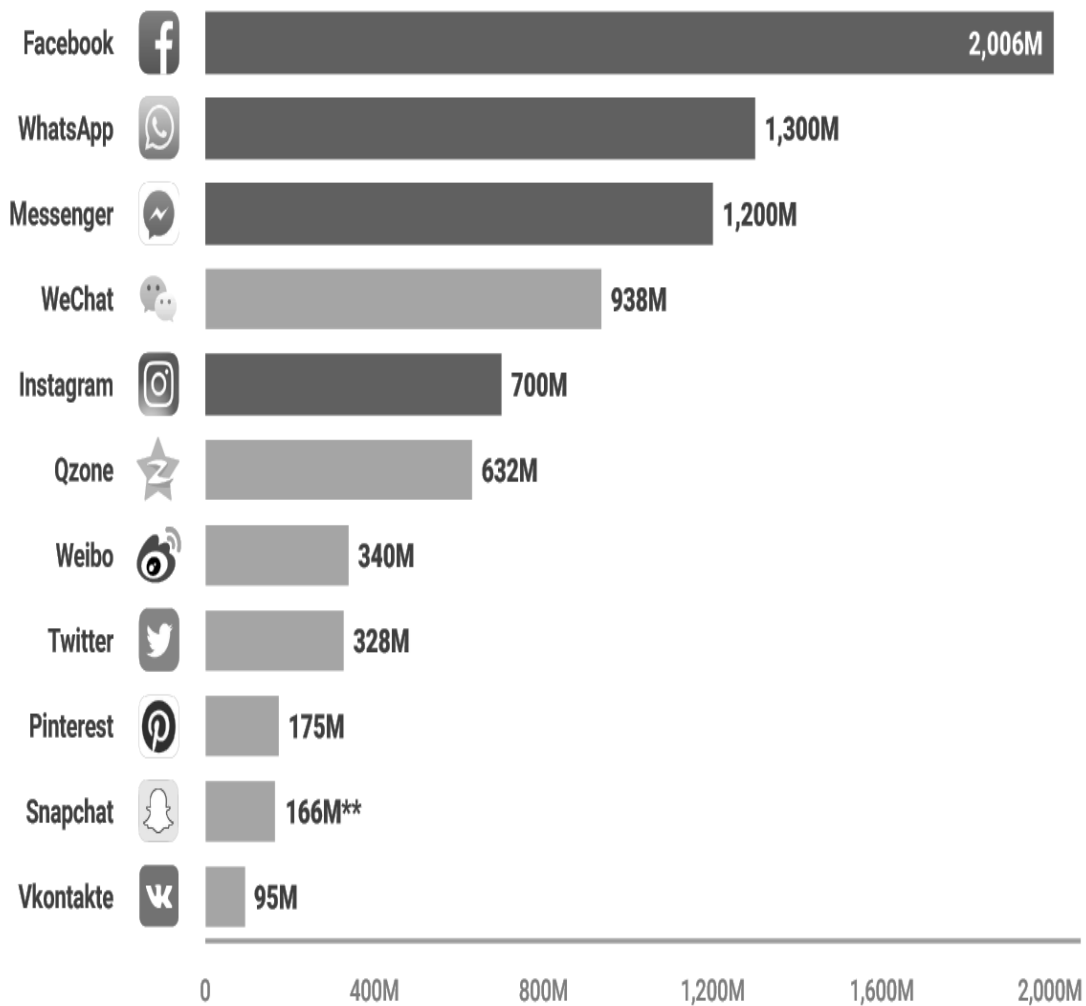
Study the graph on the next page and answer the following questions.

- 3.1 Which company would be happiest with this chart? Give a reason for your answer (2)
- 3.2 What does the abbreviation '*M*' stand for? (1)
Choose the correct answer. Write down the correct letter only.
A) Magnitude
B) Million
C) Billion
D) Monthly
- 3.3 Identify the emotive language used in the heading. (1)
- 3.4 Who is Facebook's closest competitor? (1)
- 3.5 Name two ways in which the heading grabs the reader's attention. (1)
- 3.6 What is Twitter's logo? (1)
- 3.7 How many daily users does Snapchat have? (1)
- 3.7.1 What do we call a person with lots of money? (1)
- 3.7.2 Do you think the original developers of WhatsApp made lots of money? (1)
Write down the sentence you saw in the exam paper to support your answer.

TOTAL: 10

FACEBOOK DOMINATES THE SOCIAL MEDIA LANDSCAPE

Monthly active users of selected social networks and messaging services*



SOURCE: Company data *Latest data (Dec '16–Jul '17) **Daily active users

statista | BUSINESS INSIDER

TOTAL: 10

Fill in the correct words from the options below!

Who are celebrities?

A celebrity is a person who is easily (1) _____ by people in a certain region or country. Celebrities usually get a lot of media (2) _____ and often are social people. Many become celebrities because of their (3) _____, after appearing in the media or simply (4) _____ chance. Celebrities who only achieve a small amount of fame are called B- or C-celebrities. In the last decades we have become (5) _____ with famous people. They have led to the rise of gossip magazines and TV shows and (6) _____ work for journalists and paparazzi.



Movie stars, television actors and actresses, high-ranking politicians, successful business people, supermodels and athletes usually become celebrities. A few humanitarian (7) _____ such as Mother Teresa have achieved (8) _____ because of their charity work. Some people have become known because of their online activities and are regarded as Internet celebrities.-

Because celebrities (9) _____ a life that is different from that of normal people, the (10) _____ is interested in their private lives. Magazines and newspapers follow their every move. Celebrities are often shown as glowing examples of success and perfection, or as bad and immoral if they are (11) _____ in scandals. In order to make money, celebrities often write books, or create fashion brands and perfumes.

Today's reality shows often (12) _____ new stars. Normal people have become celebrities simply for taking part in *Survivor* or *Big Brother*. In other cases, (13) _____ citizens have become celebrities for ridiculous things that they do. In the past years celebrities have started to (14) _____ social media networking sites like Twitter and Facebook. Such services allow them to (15) _____ directly with their fans without having to (16) _____ on the media to promote their stories. In the eyes of their fans, social media makes celebrities more human and down-to-earth people.

1	identified	accepted	recognised	seen
2	attention	care	notice	thought
3	career	employment	living	profession
4	for	by	through	with
5	enjoyed	charmed	involved	fascinated
6	give	provide	deliver	arrange
7	advisors	organizers	leaders	heads
8	fame	pride	legend	joy
9	show	manage	run	lead
10	culture	society	neighbourhood	public
11	concerned	involved	included	contained
12	invent	design	create	generate
13	usual	routine	daily	everyday
14	manage	use	practice	work
15	communicate	join	correspond	bond
16	deny	believe	rely	trust

