

e-future PYP Readers

LEVEL 1-12

Tree Hill



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A Write the correct word for each definition.

race

burn

steep

complain

spin

dizzy



1. To race means to be in a contest to see who is fastest.
2. If hills or stairs are steep, they're hard to climb because they go up sharply.
3. To feel dizzy is to feel like you are going around in circles when you aren't.
4. To spin is to turn around and around quickly, many times.
5. To burn something is to use fire to destroy or damage it.
6. To complain is to say that you are unhappy about something.

B Complete the sentences with the correct words from A. Change the form if needed.

1. In Haiti, bad men cut down the trees and burn them.
2. After rolling down the hill, Mika was too dizzy to walk.
3. Jackson wanted to race the others to the top of this hill.
4. As you roll fast down the hill, it feels like the world is spinning.
5. Ha Na stopped halfway up the hill because it was too steep.

C Write the correct word to complete the sentence.

away

up

out

for

down

1. Carlos went down the slide.
2. Jackson jumped out of his wheelchair and started crawling up the hill.
3. That's a great tree because it's perfect for climbing.
4. Jackson said his dragon would scare the bad men away .
5. At the bottom, they were so dizzy they couldn't even sit up .

D Complete the sentences using the past perfect tense.

Past Perfect Tense

Use the past perfect tense (**had + past participle**) to talk about something that happened (or didn't happen) before something else in the past.

- We **had waited** for weeks when the playground was finally finished.
(First, we waited for weeks. Then the playground was finished.)
- Jackson **had to use a wheelchair** because his feet **had never grown**.
(First, Jackson's feet didn't grow. Then he had to use a wheelchair.)

1. I finished the test. Then the bell rang.
→ I had finished the test when the bell rang.
2. He didn't eat all day. Then dinnertime arrived.
→ When dinnertime arrived, he hadn't eaten all day .
3. She saw that movie. Then she didn't watch it with us.
→ She didn't watch the movie with us because she had seen it(already) .

A Choose the best answers.

1. What is at the top of the hill?

- a. A playground
- b. A garden
- ☒ c. A tree



2. Who made it to the top of the hill first?

- a. Carlos
- b. Mika
- ☒ c. Jackson



3. Mika and Jackson

- ☒ a. climbed the tree
- b. drew the tree
- c. sat under the tree



4. How did Jackson and Mika get down the hill?

- a. They took the stairs.
- ☒ b. They rolled.
- c. They ran.



B Correct the underlined mistakes and rewrite the sentences.

1. It was Mika's idea to race. (p. 3)

→ It was Jackson's idea to race.

2. Ha Na leaves to play soccer. (p. 8)

→ Ha Na leaves to jump rope.

3. Jackson wants to live with his dog. (p. 10)

→ Jackson wants to live with his dragon.

C Fill in the chart with the correct people, places, or things.

	Who or What?
1. They made a hill for the kids.	<u>the workmen</u>
2. She just wants to run up the hill for fun.	<u>Mika</u>
3. He goes down the slide and plays soccer.	<u>Carlos</u>
4. He wants to live in a treehouse.	<u>Jackson</u>
5. They were burned by bad men in Haiti.	<u>trees</u>
6. They were dizzy at the end of the story.	<u>Mika and Jackson</u>

D Summarize the story. Write 1 or 2 words in each blank.

Beginning

The children are excited because the new playground is finished. There is now a hill with a tree on top. They race to the top, and Jackson wins.

Middle

While Mika and Jackson climb the tree, Carlos finds a slide and goes down. He wants to play soccer. Ha Na joins a group of girls near the school building. Mika talks about climbing trees in Haiti, and Jackson talks about his "tree dragon."

End

Mika and Jackson roll down the hill. They're feeling dizzy, but Mika grabs the handles of Jackson's wheelchair, and they go to class.