

# Easy English Times

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## April 2018 Learning Activities

### I. A quick look at the contents--find the answers.

1. The Earth Day Network has a multi-year campaign to "End \_\_\_\_\_." (p. 1)
2. This year taxpayers get \_\_\_\_\_ to file their returns. (p. 1)
3. Activists placed \_\_\_\_\_ pairs of shoes in front of the U.S. Capitol on March 13. (p. 2, caption)
4. President Trump saw \_\_\_\_\_ for his proposed border wall near San Diego. (p. 2)
5. "The housekeeper's job must be the most \_\_\_\_\_ job at any hotel," the article said. (p. 3)
6. Vegans do not \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_ any animal products. (p. 4)
7. Deforestation of land also adds to the amount of \_\_\_\_\_ in the air. (p. 4)
8. Spring cleaning is the practice of \_\_\_\_\_ a house in the springtime. (p. 6)
9. Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School was named for an \_\_\_\_\_ who founded Friends of the \_\_\_\_\_ . (p. 6)
10. Child survivors of war found a \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ in a small town in Georgia. (p. 7)

### II. More careful reading--find these answers:

#### A. From "Earth Day is April 22" and "Celebrate Earth Day" (pages 1 & 4)

1. In 1970 President Nixon and the Congress created the \_\_\_\_\_ (EPA).
2. On Earth Day this year, environmental groups are planning \_\_\_\_\_ against the current administration's proposed \_\_\_\_\_ of many environmental protections.
3. What can I do for Earth Day? Here is one thing that I already do or that I will try:  
\_\_\_\_\_

#### B. From "The negative effects of plastic on our earth" and "Plastic water bottles" (page 5)

1. Plastics are petroleum-based polymers and they cannot \_\_\_\_\_.
2. In the sea the plastic debris breaks into little pieces that are \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ to sea animals.
3. If it takes 1.39 liters of water to make one liter of water, we are \_\_\_\_\_ a lot of water when we buy plastic water bottles and throw them away.

#### C. From "Sports can bring a community together" and "World Cup Soccer 2018" (page 7)

1. The story of Coach Luma and her soccer team is told in a book titled "\_\_\_\_\_."
2. Coach Luma refused to \_\_\_\_\_ and the team grew and prospered.
3. The games for World Cup Russia will be played in \_\_\_\_\_ cities in Russia in June and July.

III. Choose one of the photos in this issue. Cover up the caption that is there and create your own caption. What do you see in the photograph? Write the caption and share it with your classmates, teacher or tutor. Or talk about it.

IV. Writing suggestions: The deadline for the May 2018 issue is April 16. Write about your mother, grandmother or an important woman in your life. Your "Brave stories" are always welcome. Also send stories about a favorite book or movie, your favorite sport, your job, your home or anything else of general interest.

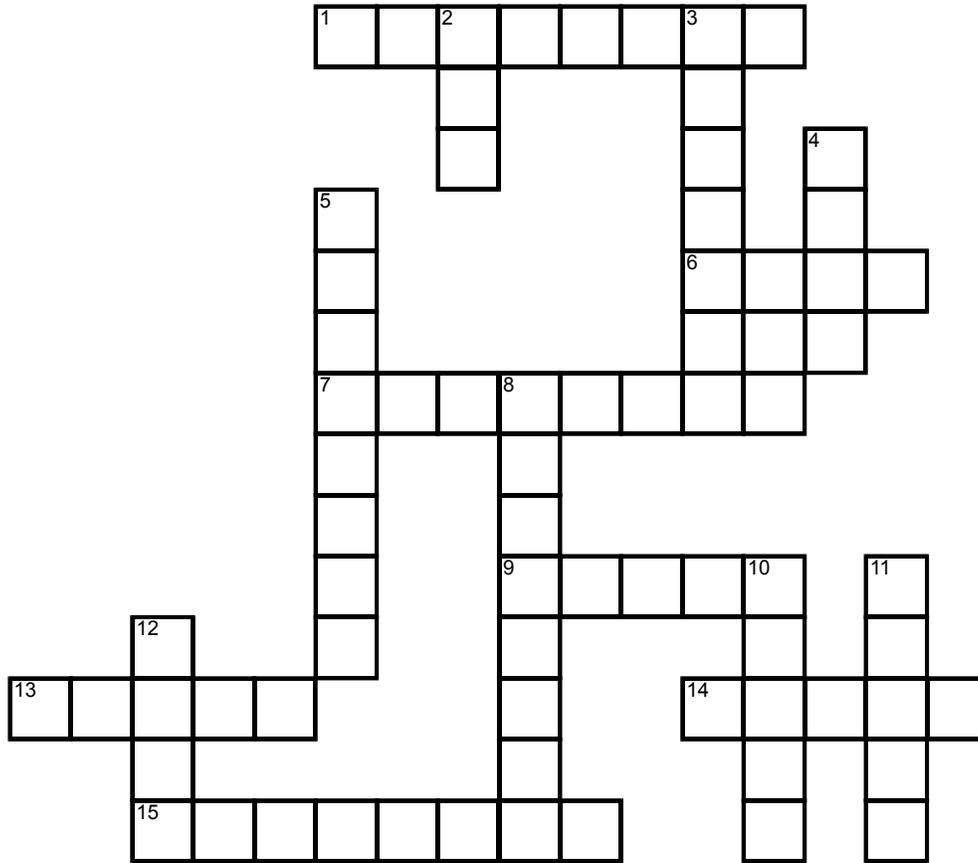
Crossword puzzle answers in alphabetical order: beat, betrayed, graze, grumble, mean, nibbling, paws, reusable, scars, scrub, odd, supplies, tease, thorough, treat

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# Crossword Puzzle - April 2018

All words are from VOCABULARY HELP.



## Across

- 1 When you do something carefully and completely, you are \_\_\_\_\_.
- 6 The winning team \_\_\_\_\_ all the other teams. They defeated everyone.
- 7 His friend is disloyal. He feels \_\_\_\_\_.
- 9 Marks left on the skin from a wound or burn are \_\_\_\_\_.
- 13 When animals eat grass in a field they \_\_\_\_\_.
- 14 She wants learning to be a \_\_\_\_\_, something that gives pleasure.
- 15 A hotel maid keeps the equipment for her job in a cart of \_\_\_\_\_.

## Down

- 2 When something is different from what is usual or expected, it is \_\_\_\_\_.
- 3 You \_\_\_\_\_ when you complain about something in a quiet, unhappy manner.
- 4 Some of the children were \_\_\_\_\_. They were unkind.
- 5 You are \_\_\_\_\_ when you take small bites.
- 8 Do you have a \_\_\_\_\_ water bottle? Can it be used more than once?
- 10 When you need to rub something hard to clean it, you \_\_\_\_\_.
- 11 They used to \_\_\_\_\_ their father. They used to provoke him in a playful way.
- 12 Animals' feet which have claws and pads are \_\_\_\_\_.