

## Home Instruction Packet for (ESL 1 Period 2)

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<p>In this packet are materials and directions for ESL 1 students period 2  <a href="http://www.rphslibrary.org/home-instruction">www.rphslibrary.org/home-instruction</a></p> <p>This work will be collected by the teacher via email. This work will be graded and counted towards their marking period grade.</p>	
<p>I am available to support you during the hours 7:50am-2:50 pm to answer any of your questions. I will be responding to your emails within the hour.</p> <p>You contact me at: <a href="mailto:mkepuladze@rpsd.org">mkepuladze@rpsd.org</a></p>	
<p>Lesson: SWBAT recall, recognize, and recall facts about the ecosysytem.          SWBAT compile a daily journal on flipgrid on life at home. SWBAT reasearch and present a topic of their choice.</p>	<p>Weekly due dates</p> <p>SWBAT identify a character's relationship with the natural world</p>
<p>Week 1-</p> <p>Lesson 1:          SWBAT to use each commonly confused word in a sentence</p> <p>Lesson 2: SWBAT view grammar(pages 3-5          SWBAT to read the short story Project Mulberry and answer comprehension questions. SWBAT identify a character's relationship with the natural world</p> <p>Lesson 3          SWBAT read informational text on the Ecosystem</p>	<p><b>ESL 1 Period 2</b>          Review list of commonly confused words, Write a complete sentence for each word.          See list attached</p> <p>Students will start a five minutes flipgrid journal on life at home.          Flipgrid code Kepuladze 6046</p> <p>Read Project Mulberry pages 8-12 and complete activities on pages 12 and 13</p> <p>Informational text Ecosystem The Systems of Nature pages 22-29          Read pages 22-27</p>

<p>Week 2-</p> <p>Lesson 1: SWBAT expand and develop vocabulary Fix an error, read for fluency recall facts to respond to reading wrap up</p> <p>Lesson 2:</p> <p>Lesson 3:</p>	<p>How does the natural world affect us? Pages 1-7</p> <p>Reading wrap up Edit for Meaning 1-10</p> <p>Reading wrap up Edit for meaning 11-16</p> <p>Reading wrap up Edit for meaning 16-21</p>
<p>Week 3</p> <p>Lesson 1 SWBAT create a power point</p> <p>Lesson 2 Practice pronunciation</p>	<p>Reaseach an article on the Ecosystem and summerize, identify 5 words from the science academic vocabulary list from the ACCESS prep lesson and use them in the summary.</p> <p>Reaserach a new topic for the next public speaking presentation and prepare a power point.</p> <p>spellingcity.com</p>
<p>Lesson 3 SWBAT to practice basic vocabulary using duolingo</p>	<p>Download duolingo app and practice the pronunciation of basic vocabulary in preperation for ACCESS testing.</p>
<p>Week 4 SWBAT expand and develop vocabulary To guess meaning from context</p>	<p>Read A Small Happiness Answer questions before you read 1-3 Complete After you read questions 1-6 Making connections complete all writing prompts Change, Identity, Coflict, Relationships, and Choice</p>



# A Small Happiness

by Sue Gronewold

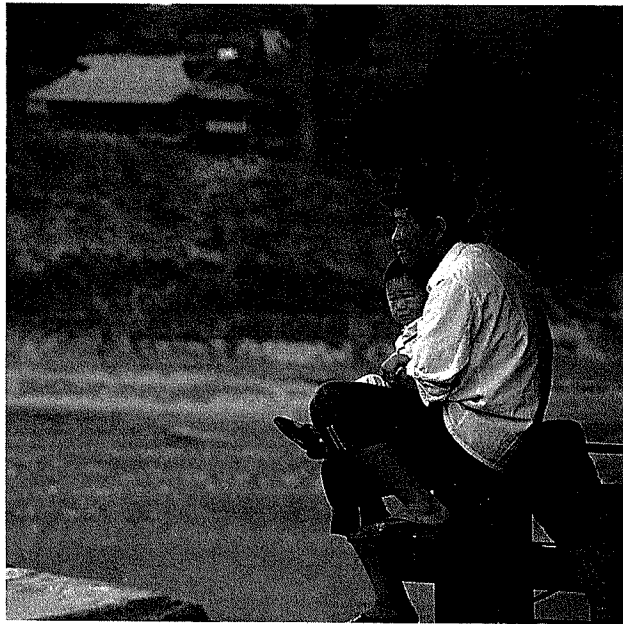
▲▲▲ MAGAZINE ARTICLE

▲▲▲ LEVEL 1

▲▲▲ TOPIC: MEN AND WOMEN IN CHINA

▲▲▲ WORD COUNT: 374

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## ▲▲▲ Before You Read

1. Do you hope to have children? If so, do you care if your children are girls or boys?
2. Read the first sentence in each paragraph. Based on this information, what do you think the article is about? What do you hope to find out in this article?
3. As you read, guess the meaning of the boldfaced words from the surrounding words and sentences.

**W**omen in a small village in China tell their story in the film, *Small Happiness*. The lives of young Chinese women today are a world apart<sup>1</sup> from those of their grandmothers, who did not meet their husbands until their wedding night. Poverty<sup>2</sup> was so severe that some were forced to **abandon** or even kill their newborn babies.

Today many things have changed. Young women have a say in<sup>3</sup> choosing their husbands, and many work outside the home. Mothers and babies have plenty of food to eat. But the old attitudes persist.<sup>4</sup> Women are still seen as inferior to men, and boys are more prized<sup>5</sup> than girls. Listen to the words of a village elder: "To give birth to a boy is considered a big happiness. To give birth to a girl is a small happiness. Well, you can't say it's not happiness. A boy will **remain** in the household, while a girl will be married off."

In the Chinese countryside, a woman's marriage is called, *zhao puo jia*, "finding a mother-in-law's house." A husband refers to his wife as *wo jia li de*, "the person inside my home." And when a

woman is described as *mei hai zi*, "childless," it often means that she does not have a son.

In Long Bow, a village about 400 miles southwest of Beijing, young people are gradually abandoning these expressions. But the ancient traditions of male dominance<sup>6</sup> fade slowly. When asked whether everyone in Long Bow wants to get married, a woman named Miaofeng replies, "Oh, everyone wants to get married. A man gets a wife to 'open the door.' That's what getting a wife is for: 'open the door' and establish descendants."<sup>7</sup>

When asked to define "opening the door," Miaofeng says, "Without future generations, doesn't your house simply close down? The more children, especially sons, the more prosperity.<sup>8</sup> You give birth to as many as your fate has in store.<sup>9</sup> Now the state wants fewer children. There's birth control."

In the film, the interviewer asks a mother-in-law why people in the countryside prefer boys. She replies, "A boy is good. He can 'open the door' and have more children. But a girl? She'll grow up and leave. You've raised her for someone else."

—This article appeared in *Faces Magazine*.

1 **a world apart** completely different

2 **Poverty** being poor

3 **have a say in** express opinions about; are asked about

4 **persist** continue to be important

5 **prized** valued highly

6 **dominance** authority over others

7 **descendants** children, grandchildren, great grandchildren, and so on

8 **prosperity** success and good fortune; wealth

9 **has in store** will provide one with

### ▲▲▲ *After You Read*

Look back over the reading to find the following information:

1. what a “small happiness” is
2. the meaning of the expression “opening the door”
3. one way things are changing in China

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4. This article is mainly about
  - a. working in China.
  - b. living in a small village in China.
  - c. why some people value boys more than girls.
5. The writer of this article got her information
  - a. from a movie.
  - b. from books about China.
  - c. by traveling to China.
6. Which question is NOT answered in the article?
  - a. How do city people in China feel about having girl babies?
  - b. Where was the film *Small Happiness* made?
  - c. Why do people in the countryside prefer to have boys?

### ▲▲▲ *Making Connections*

Choose one of the questions below to write about in your journal:

**Change:** Do you think attitudes towards men and women are changing? How?

**Identity:** According to this article, boys are more prized than girls in some parts of China. What is your reaction to this statement?

**Conflict:** Do you agree or disagree with the definition of “a big happiness”? Why?

**Relationships:** In your culture, are sons and daughters treated differently? If so, how?

**Choice:** Would you prefer to have a family of girls or boys? Why?