

## From Clay to Teapot: Tea Ware by Hong Kong Potters 1986-2010

“I'm a little teapot. Short and stout... “  
Hello, everyone! Do you know how to  
make a teapot? Let me tell you  
how the potter created me!



### I. Tools for making ceramic teapots

Here are the tools that we can see on a potter's working table. Do you know the name of each item?  
Please write down your answer on the line.

- A. Steel kidney scraper
- B. Wire modelling tool
- C. Throwing rib
- D. Cheese wire
- E. Clay cutting needle
- F. Wooden rolling pin
- G. Lip meter
- H. Wooden modelling tool
- I. Sponge

 1. _____	 2. _____	 3. _____
 4. _____	 5. _____	 6. _____
 7. _____	 8. _____	 9. _____

*You may visit Gallery 6 for more details!*

## II. Production techniques of ceramic wares

Clay can be made into various forms. The following are the production techniques commonly used for teapot making. Can you line up which production techniques are applied to the tea ware?



**The pinching technique:**  
to fashion the clay into desired forms by hands



**The throwing technique:**  
to make round-shaped vessels



**The slab-building technique:**  
to produce vessels of square or geometric shapes with flat facets



**The coiling technique:**  
the laying of coils to construct various forms of vessels



**The slip casting technique:**  
to inject clay slip into a plaster mould



**The press-moulding technique:**  
to make numbers of identical wares



Kong Choi-ling  
The Kingdom of Eternity



Chu Kwai-pok  
Lotus



Chan Tit-keung  
Teapot and Cups in Hexagonal Shape



Chan Yuk-lan, Yolanda  
Childhood Memories



Lai Yat-fong  
*Yuanyang* = Sculpture + Porcelain



Au Hoi-chi  
The Moment

### III. Different parts of a teapot



Let me show you the different parts of a teapot! Please follow the hints in the bracket and find the answers in the word grid below.

1. \_\_\_\_\_  
(starts with letter K)  
To avoid holding the cover which is very hot

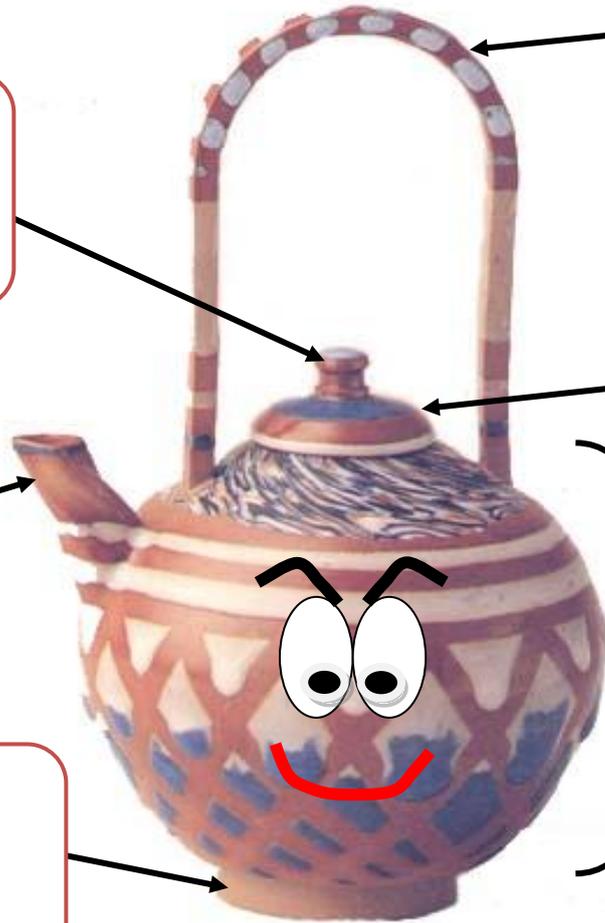
2. \_\_\_\_\_  
(starts with letter S)  
Pouring tea out through it

3. \_\_\_\_\_  
(2 words start with letter F and R)  
To enable the teapot to rest steady on the flat table

4. \_\_\_\_\_  
(starts with letter H)  
Using it when holding the teapot or pouring tea out

5. \_\_\_\_\_  
(starts with letter C)  
To keep the tea warm and clean

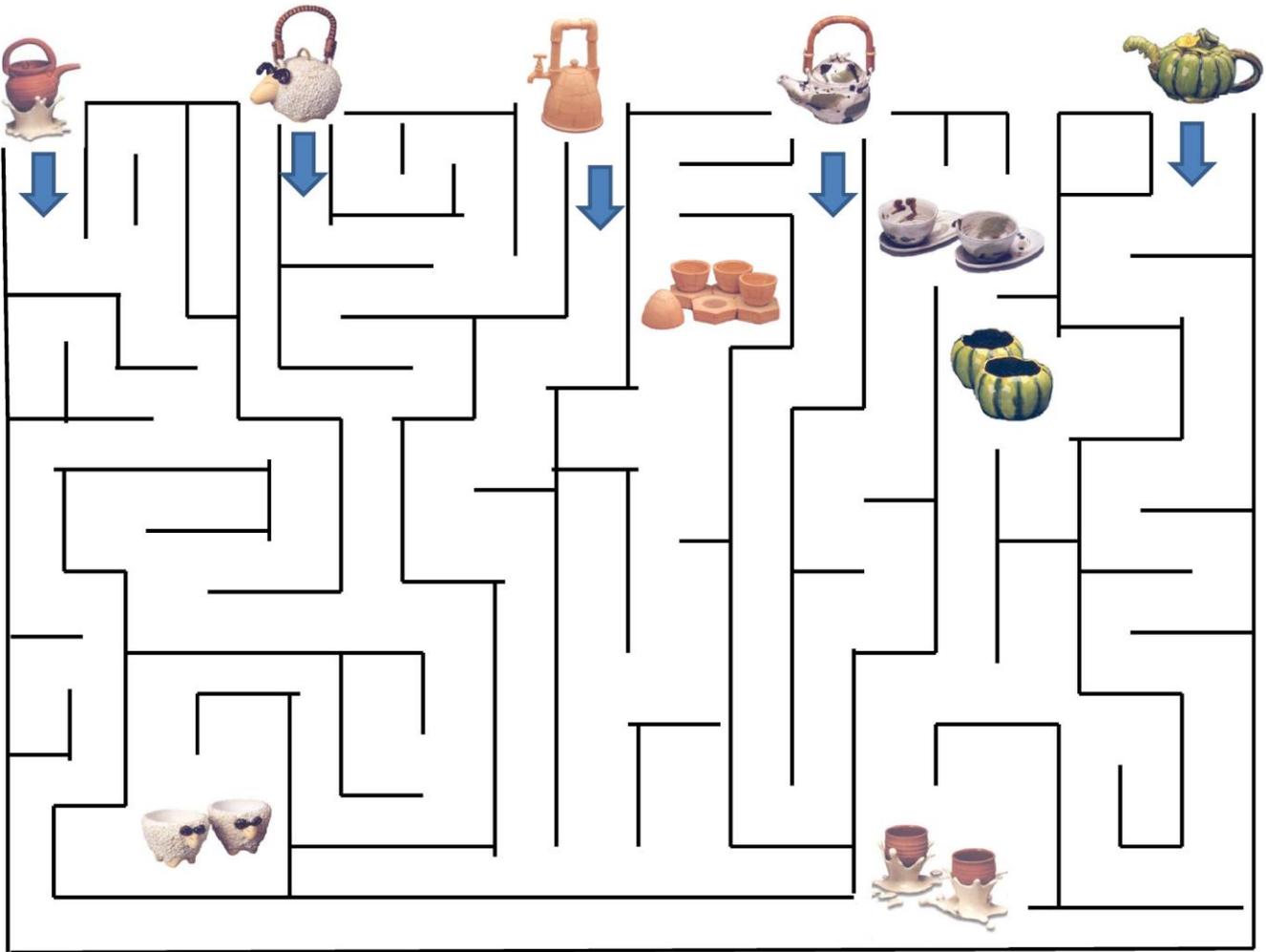
6. \_\_\_\_\_  
(starts with letter B)  
To soak and store the tea leaves



J	H	A	N	D	L	E	R
T	E	B	O	D	Y	I	K
I	S	K	F	U	A	E	O
M	P	N	N	H	O	V	P
F	O	O	T	R	I	N	G
C	U	B	H	Y	B	E	A
G	T	U	B	L	E	L	Y
D	B	A	C	O	V	E	R

### IV. Mix and Match

The following teapots and tea cups in the exhibition got lost! Can you join them together?



End

Answers :



IV. Mix and Match

III. Different parts of a teapot

1. Knob
2. Spout
3. Foot ring
4. Handle
5. Cover
6. Body

II. Production techniques of ceramic wares

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Chan Yuk-Lan, Yolanda	Childhood Memories	The throwing technique
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Chan Tit-keung	Teapot and Cups in Hexagonal Shape	The press-moulding technique

1. E
2. I
3. C
4. G
5. A
6. F
7. D
8. H
9. B