



Practice Worksheet on Reading Comprehension and Composition

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Long Answer Questions

1. Summarize the main points of the passage about providing children with cell phones.
2. What factors should parents consider when deciding to buy their child a phone?
3. What is the overall tone of the passage, and how does the author achieve it?
4. What research methods were used to inform the advice on choosing children's phones?
5. What is the central theme of the passage about Helen Keller's life?
6. What was Anne Sullivan's significance in Helen Keller's life, according to the passage?

7. What aspects of Helen Keller's life and achievements are portrayed in the passage?

8. What is the main point the author makes about the use of ChatGPT in schools?

Multiple Choice Questions

1. What should parents consider when buying a smartphone for their kids?

- a) A. its material
- b) B. the child's age
- c) C. its contact list
- d) D. its GPS

2. What does Titania Jordan suggest?

- a) A. Technology is just another burden for parents.
- b) B. Parents should spend more time communicating to their children.
- c) C. Parents should beware of strangers using technology to locate their children.
- d) D. Children should only be allowed to use phone to text their parents.

3. Which sentence is closest in meaning to 'Alex failed the test because he was too lazy to revise the lessons'?

- a) A. Having failed the test once, Alex turned out to be lazier.
- b) B. If Alex had been more hard-working, he would pass the test.
- c) C. Alex was too lazy to care about the exam.
- d) D. It was Alex's laziness that led to his failure.

4. Which sentence is closest in meaning to 'There aren't any of our documents as important as this one'?

- a) A. A few documents that we are having are just as important as this one.
- b) B. It is this document which is more important than any other document.
- c) C. None of the documents we have are as important as this one.
- d) D. All of our documents are half as important as this one.

5. Which word is closest in meaning to 'invents'?

- a) A. makes up
- b) B. puts up
- c) C. comes up
- d) D. lives up

6. Which word is closest in meaning to 'massive'?

- a) A. tiny
- b) B. spectacular
- c) C. enormous
- d) D. unique

7. Which word is opposite in meaning to 'upset'?

- a) A. dissatisfied
- b) B. stressful
- c) C. delightful
- d) D. original

8. Which word is opposite in meaning to 'strict'?

- a) A. hard-working
- b) B. sociable
- c) C. easy-going
- d) D. pessimistic

Answer Key

Long Answer Questions - Expected Responses

1. Summarize the main points of the passage about providing children with cell phones.

Expected Answer: The passage discusses the challenges and considerations of providing children with cell phones, emphasizing safety and healthy technology use. It highlights the importance of choosing age-appropriate devices with parental controls, and the need for parents to be aware of both the benefits and risks of technology.

2. What factors should parents consider when deciding to buy their child a phone?

Expected Answer: Parents should consider the child's age, the phone's intended use, and available parental controls when selecting a phone. A GPS-enabled smartphone may be suitable for teenagers who drive, while a simpler phone with limited internet access might suffice for younger children.

3. What is the overall tone of the passage, and how does the author achieve it?

Expected Answer: The author uses a balanced and informative tone to present the benefits and risks of providing children with cell phones, highlighting the need for thoughtful decision-making and responsible technology use.

4. What research methods were used to inform the advice on choosing children's phones?

Expected Answer: The passage mentions using surveys of parents, expert advice from Internet safety specialists, and guidelines from the American Academy of Pediatrics to inform their recommendations on cell phone selection for children.

5. What is the central theme of the passage about Helen Keller's life?

Expected Answer: Helen Keller's education and her teacher, Anne Sullivan's

dedication are highlighted as extraordinary achievements in educating a person with multiple disabilities.

6. What was Anne Sullivan's significance in Helen Keller's life, according to the passage?

Expected Answer: Anne Sullivan's role was crucial in Helen Keller's education, providing dedicated teaching and support throughout her life. The passage emphasizes her remarkable skills as an educator, particularly her methods of communicating with Keller.

7. What aspects of Helen Keller's life and achievements are portrayed in the passage?

Expected Answer: The passage details Helen Keller's remarkable progress, learning to communicate and participate in mainstream education despite her visual and auditory impairments, demonstrating determination and resilience.

8. What is the main point the author makes about the use of ChatGPT in schools?

Expected Answer: ChatGPT's use in education is a complex issue, offering potential benefits but also raising concerns about academic integrity. The passage suggests that the focus should be on safe, effective, and appropriate implementation, not on banning it entirely.

Multiple Choice Questions - Correct Answers

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Correct Answer: B. the child's age

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