

END-OF-TERM TEST N°3

NAME: CLASS: 8B NUMBER:

THE TEXT



In a village there lived a merchant who sold salt. Every morning he would put bags full of salt on his donkey's back. Then, they would go to the town to sell them. To reach the town, the merchant and his donkey crossed a small river.

One day the donkey accidentally fell into the water and the salt bags fell, too. As a result, the salt dissolved into the water and disappeared and the bags became light. This made the donkey happy. Then, the donkey started falling into the water daily.

The merchant understood the donkey's trick. He decided to teach it a lesson. After a few days, he took bags full of cotton on the donkey's back. The donkey again fell into the water thinking they would become light. However, the wet cotton became heavy and the donkey had a hard time carrying them.

But it learnt a lesson. It stopped playing tricks on the merchant. The merchant was happy again.

READING COMPREHENSION (6marks)

1/ Choose a suitable title to the text(0.5)

- The generous merchant
- The smart merchant
- The hardworking donkey

2/ Read the text and complete the following table:(1.5marks)

CHARACTERS	PLACE
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3/ These statements are False. Correct them with information from the text(1mark)

a- The merchant and his donkey crossed a mountain to go to the town.

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b- The donkey enjoyed carrying the cotton bags.

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4/Read and complete with words from the text(1mark)

When the merchant taught his donkey a the donkey stopped his.....

5/ Read and complete from the text with synonyms of the underlined words:(1mark)

After falling into the water the donkey felt glad..... and decided to fall into the water everyday

6/ What do the underlined words in the text refer to?(1mark)

They refers to it refers to

LANGUAGE (8marks)

1/Circle the correct alternatives(3marks)



Once upon a time there was a girl called Little Red Riding Hood who lived in a big forest. One fine day, her mother (tells/was telling/told) her to take a basket with a cake in it to her Grandma. Her house is not too far from (theirs/themselves/ours). (Besides/Because/But) in the forest she met the big bad wolf. The wolf asked her: "(Where/ Whose/What) basket is this?" "It's mine. I am taking a cake to my granny who lives by (himself/ourselves/herself) in a little cottage" answered Little Red Riding Hood. "Why don't you pick up some nice flowers for her?" asked the wolf. "That's a good idea." said Little Red Riding Hood and (began/begins/begin) looking for flowers.

2.Fill in the blanks with words from the list : Be careful, there are two extra words. (3marks)

outgoing / because / company / with / however /strike /save/ fight

In my opinion, it is important to have people around me because they make my life a lot of fun. In fact, I have got lots of friends and they are dear to me 1..... they keep me 2..... It is really very easy for me to 3..... new friendships. Unlike my brother Steve, I am 4..... and cheerful. Whenever someone talks with him his face becomes red. Steve is unable to get on well 5..... his classmates and they think that he is thoughtless. He rarely lends them a hand. At home, we usually 6..... over watching TV. Besides, he gets on my nerves when he feels jealous of the others because they get better marks.

3/Match the underlined statements in the conversation with their functions in the box below . Write the answers in the space given. (2 marks)

Mum: Tommy , I think it's time to wake up!(1)

Tommy: I don't want to go to school, I am still sleepy. I couldn't sleep last night.(2)

Mum: Hurry up or you'll be late. I'll get your schoolbag ready.

Tommy: Could I keep on sleeping?(3) I am really tired.

Mum: You can't. Breakfast is ready and your Dad is already in the car. You could sleep when you come back from school.(4)

Tommy: Ok, life is hard living!!!

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Functions	Answers
a- giving advice	1 +
b- expressing suggestion	2+
c- expressing opinion	3 +
d- inability in the past	4+
e- polite request	

WRITING (6marks)

Write a paragraph of about 6 / 7 lines to your school magazine in which you will talk about what people should do to protect and save the planet from the ecological problems.

These hints may be helpful:

- People / be more careful about / the danger of pollution
- Make / a special effort / to help the planet everyday
- Throw away / rubbish / dustbin
- Do advertising/ to encourage people/ clean cities
- **Not to use cars / pollute the air / use the bike more often**
- **Save water / energy / not leave /water / running / lights on**
- **Recycle paper and bottles ...**

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