

REVIEW FOR 1ST MID-TERM TEST

READING

1. Read the passage and decide whether the sentences are true (T) or false (F). Circle T or F.

Nowadays, teenagers seem to be too busy with their study to afford a hobby. However, if you have a little spare time, it is advisable to have a hobby because of the emotional, mental and physical benefits it brings. Focusing on an activity that you like will help you relieve stress and pressure from your schoolwork. Additionally, spending time with people of similar interests will enable you to make friends more easily. This helps improve your communication skills and promote teamwork. Taking up a hobby can be a real challenge, but it is not the type of stressful challenge coming from school. Instead, challenging yourself to do a skill that you like will bring satisfaction and pride.

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| 1. Each teenager should have a hobby if they have time. | T | F |
| 2. Focusing on a hobby will make you feel really stressed. | T | F |
| 3. Having a shared interest helps you to communicate better. | T | F |
| 4. The challenge from having a hobby is the same as that from school. | T | F |
| 5. You can feel proud when trying to do a skill that you are interested in. | T | F |

2. Fill each blank with a suitable word from the box.

challenge collection unusual occasions pleasure

David Stewart, a 15 year old boy from Hungary has an (1) _____ hobby – collecting teabags. For the last five years, he has collected more than 200 teabags. He exchanges his teabags with others' from all around the world to add to his (2) _____. His family, relatives and friends are all aware of this hobby, so on special (3) _____ they will give him teabags. David says at first it was easy but then it is a (4) _____ to be able to find new items. He stores the teabags in a box and keeps them in a cool, dry place so that they can be well maintained. To David, this hobby is a great source of (5) _____ because it helps him understand more about different cultures around the world.

3. Read the passage. Circle A, B or C to answer each question or complete each sentence.

The Peace Corps is one of the most famous organisations in the world that help people. This organisation was founded in 1961 by the former US President John Kennedy.

People working in this organisation are called volunteers. They are both men and women.

They live and work in other countries for two years at a time. They share skills with people to help solve challenging problems in developing countries.

Peace Corps volunteers work as teachers at schools. They also help communities to protect their environment and prevent the spread of diseases. They also help farmers grow more food efficiently.

Peace Corps volunteers build bridges of cross-cultural understanding with people of other countries. They help people from other countries learn more about who **they** are. Peace Corps volunteers also bring home with them better understanding of other peoples and cultures.

1. What can be the best title for the passage?
 - A. The Efforts of the Peace Corps
 - B. A John Kennedy's Creation
 - C. Building the Bridge Between Cultures
2. The Peace Corps _____.
 - A. work only inside the US
 - B. is a famous organisation in the world
 - C. was founded for profit
3. Peace Corps volunteers _____ in developing countries.
 - A. take away the food of the farmers
 - B. help solve problems
 - C. stop the spread of peace
4. One example of the efforts of the Peace Corps volunteers is to _____ in foreign countries.
 - A. share skills with people
 - B. teach farmers
 - C. build bridges
5. The word **they** in paragraph four refers to _____.
 - A. people of other countries
 - B. cross-cultural bridges
 - C. Peace Corps volunteers