

TEST YOURSELF



LISTENING COMPREHENSION

Marcy and Joel are the two main characters in the book *The Cat Ate My Gymsuit* by P. Danziger. They are talking about their future professions. Don't take their talk seriously.

What are they going to be when they grow up? Mark the statements with T if they are true and with F if they are false.

- 1 Joel says that he is going to be a set of Tinker Toys. _____
- 2 Marcy says that she would like to be a kumquat. _____
- 3 Marcy knows what a kumquat looks like. _____
- 4 Joel is going to be a doctor. _____
- 5 Marcy wants to write books. _____



¹ What do ... have in common? — Что общего ...?



READING COMPREHENSION

Here are two stories. One is told by Harriet* from the book *Harriet the Spy* and the other one by Russell Baker, a popular American journalist.

Mark the sentences after the stories with T if the information is true and with F if the information is false.

Harriet: When I am big I will be a spy.¹ I will go to one country and will find out its secrets and then I will go to another country and tell them. And then I will find out their secrets and I will go back to the first one and rat² on the second. Then I go to the second and rat on the first. I will be the best spy and I will know everything. Everything. Maybe when I grow up I can have an office. People will come in and tell me who to go and spy on. I would like to have a gun³ and follow people.

Russell: Fifty years ago parents still asked boys if they wanted to grow up to be President. A great number of little boys said yes and meant it. When they asked me I said NO. I didn't want to grow up to be President. "Well, what do you want to be then when you grow up?" asked my uncle. I loved to collect bottles, tin cans with pretty labels, and old magazines. "I want to be a garbage man⁴," I said.

- 1 In her future profession Harriet will know everything about people in different countries and what these people do. _____
- 2 In her job Harriet will have to tell other people about her secrets. _____
- 3 Harriet wants to work in her own office. _____
- 4 When Russell was small, he wanted to be President. _____
- 5 When Russell was a child, he collected bottles and cans. _____
- 6 Russell liked to read old magazines with pretty pictures. _____

¹ a spy — шпион

² to rat — доносить

³ a gun — пистолет

⁴ a garbage man — дворник, мусорщик