

CREATIVE WRITING

Name: _____ Grade: _____

Date: _____ Age: _____

Read each passage carefully, then select the correct answer choice for each question.

I can't wait until the weekend! We are going to my grandparents' house and my entire family will be there. I will spend most of my time playing games with my cousins. We always have such a good time together! The day goes by so fast, and by the end we are all so exhausted....but we still don't want to leave.

1. What is the main idea of this passage?
 - a. Weekends are times to travel.
 - b. The writer's grandparents live far away.
 - c. The writer is sad to leave her cousins
 - d. The writer enjoys spending time with her family.
2. Which of the following is a supporting detail for the main idea you chose above?
 - a. We are exhausted
 - b. I can't wait until this weekend!
 - c. I will spend most of my time playing games with my cousins.
 - d. None of the above.

I have a dog whose name is Ringo. He is almost 10 years old. Ringo is very loveable with a brown face and short black fur. He is one of my best friends. He plays with me, sleeps with me, and goes on walks with me. I am so glad to have him around. I love him.

3. What is the main idea of this passage?
 - a. The dog's name is Ringo.
 - b. Everyone should have a dog.
 - c. The writer's dog is an important part of his life.
 - d. The dog is cute and sweet.

Did you know that giraffes are the tallest animals in the world? They are unique in other ways, too. For one thing they sleep only about 20 minutes each day, and usually not more than five minutes at a time. (They have to remain alert for predators.) Also, every giraffe's coat is unique, and varies in colour from white to nearly black, depending on what they eat and where they live.

4. The main idea is _____?
- a. Giraffes are very tall.
 - b. Giraffes are unique animals.
 - c. Giraffes are the ugliest animals on the planet.
 - d. Giraffes are other animal's prey.
5. Which of the following is not a supporting detail in the passage?
- a. Giraffes have super long tongues.
 - b. They only sleep about 20 minutes a day.
 - c. They are the tallest animals in the world.
 - d. Every giraffes coat is unique.

There are many fun things to do at the beach. Swimming is one thing that can be done at the beach. Snorkeling is another thing that can be enjoyed. Playing beach volleyball can be a lot of fun. It is also fun to look for shells. Some people simply like to sunbathe.

6. What is the main idea?
- a. There are many fun things to do at the beach.
 - b. It is also fun to look for shells.
 - c. Some people simply like to sunbathe.
 - d. Going to the beach to swim can be fun.

Select the correct answer.

7. A paragraph has _____ parts.
- a. 1
 - b. 3
 - c. 2

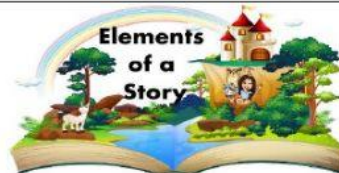
8. The beginning sentence is also called the main idea or the _____.
a. topic sentence
b. concluding sentence
c. supporting sentence
9. This state what the paragraph is all about.
a. main idea
b. main sentence
c. ending sentence
10. These are sentences that support the main idea of the paragraph.
a. concluding sentence
b. middle sentences
c. beginning sentences
11. Which statement best describes the middle sentences of a paragraph?
a. They are separated by commas.
b. One supporting sentence is enough,
c. They include supporting facts, reasons, details and examples.
12. Which of the following would NOT be a good supporting detail for a paragraph about family?
a. My favourite flavour of ice cream is strawberry.
b. My family goes to the beach every summer.
c. I have three siblings.
d. My dog is more of a brother than a pet!
13. What is true about the ending sentence?
a. It can introduce a new idea.
b. It is the most important part of the paragraph.
c. It restates the main idea of the paragraph and summarizes it.
d. It presents a new detail to support the topic sentence.

14. Which is the most appropriate sentence to begin this paragraph?

_____. It doesn't rain very often in summer or winter. The sun usually shines all day. In winter, it can get cold in the desert, but in summer it is hot in the desert and in the cities. I love hot weather.

- a. It is summer and it rained yesterday.
 - b. Our country is very big.
 - c. I like the weather in our country.
 - d. It can get to 50°C, for example.
15. Write a paragraph with 5 supporting details and a concluding sentence for the main idea stated below.

There are many kinds of people in the world. _____



16. List the 5 important elements of a story.

- a. _____
- b. _____
- c. _____
- d. _____
- e. _____

17. The people or other being that the story is about is called the _____.
18. The time and location describing the surroundings of the story is called the _____.
19. The sequence of events in a story is called the _____.

20. The problem or struggle between two people, things, or ideas in a story is known as the _____.
21. The way in which the people in a story solve their problem is called the _____.