

Reading comprehension 6 form
Children's Favourite TV Programmes

A lot of young people around the world watch television. But are they watching the same programmes?

Paula is Canadian. She watches TV for about 3 hours a day. Satellite TV has really cool quiz shows and it shows the funniest comedy programmes. Satellite TV is better than cable TV. She also thinks the internet is fun. She sends emails to her friends about their favourite soaps.

Mamadou lives in Mali. A few years ago television in his African country was terrible, but now it's better. They have two channels. The first channel shows news and documentaries. Mamadou thinks the second channel is more interesting - there are sports programmes and old films. He watches sports programmes for about five hours a week, but he prefers playing football with his friends. He doesn't like sitting at home too much.

Keiko is Japanese. Last year she could watch TV a lot, but now she goes to a secondary school and she has a lot of homework. She also plays basketball in the school team. She thinks that the best programmes for young people are Manga cartoons. In fact, most Manga fans are older than her, because there are Manga cartoons for all ages. They are fantastic! She can watch TV when her homework is ready.

Yolanda lives in Spain. She watches TV for two hours a day. When she gets home, she does her homework, then she plays computer games or watches TV. She thinks soaps are great. She never watches reality shows like Big Brother - they are the most boring programmes. They often talk about their favourite TV programmes at school.

1. Mark the following sentences as TRUE (T) or FALSE (F).

1. Satellite TV in Canada often shows boring quiz shows and comedy programmes.
2. Paula never sends emails to her friends.
3. Mamadou is from Africa.
4. In Mamadou's country television is terrible now.

5. Mamadou likes watching sports programmes.

6. Mamadou prefers sitting at home.

2. For sentences choose and circle the correct answer (a, b or c).

1. In Mamadou's country television was _____.

- a) better b) horrible c) OK d) cool

2. Mamadou finds _____ channel more interesting.

- a) the first b) the third c) the sixth d) the second

3. The first channel shows _____.

- a) documentaries b) sports programmes c) news d) documentaries and news

4. Keiko doesn't often watch TV this year because Keiko _____.

- a) hates cartoons b) started going to a high school
c) has a lot of homework to do d) plays sports at school

5. _____ does homework before watching TV.

- a) Paula b) Mamadou c) Keiko d) Yolanta

6. Yolanda doesn't watch Big Brother because this programme is _____.

- a) not interesting b) not boring c) cool d) long