

Choose the correct answer A, B, C, D or E!

This text is for questions 1 to 4

Charles Dickens

Charles Dickens was a British novelist, journalist, editor, illustrator, and social commentator who wrote such beloved classic novels. He is remembered as one of the most important and influential writers of the 19th century.

Charles Dickens was born Charles John Duffam Dickens on February 7, 1812, in Porstmouth, England. He was the second of eight children. His father was a naval clerk, and his mother aspired to be a teacher and school director. Despite his parents' best efforts, the family remained poor. Nevertheless, they were happy in the early days.

Looking back on the experience, Charles saw it as the moment he said goodbye to his youthful innocence. His experiences would later become a recurring theme in his writing. In 1827, he worked as an office boy to contribute to his family's income. As it turned out, the job became a launching point for his writing career. Within a year of being hired, he began freelance reporting at the law courts of London. Just a few years later, he became a journalist, editor, and illustrator. In 1833, he began submitting sketches to various magazines and newspapers. In 1836, his clippings were published in his first book, Sketches by Boz. Throughout his career, Charles published a total of 15 novels

1. The purpose of the text is to

- A. Tell a person's life
- B. Retell past experiences
- C. Describe someone
- D. Explain how to become a writer
- E. Persuade the readers to become a journalist

2. Why did Charles leaveschool to work?

- A. He didn't like studying
- B. His father was imprisoned
- C. He was the oldest child
- D. His mother asked him to work
- E. He wanted to be an influential writer

3. From the text, we know that Charles
- A. Was a rich boy
 - B. Used his experience as themes in his writing
 - C. Worked as a journalist as soon as he left school
 - D. Left his family due to poor condition
 - E. Published his first magazine in 1833

4. "By then the family's financial situation grew dire"
The underlined word has similar in meaning to

- A. Terrible
- B. Better
- C. Well
- D. Promising
- E. Echanting

This text is for questions 5 to 10

Ismail Marzuki

Ismail Marzuki was an Indonesian composer and musician. He wrote many popular patriotic songs during the country's early post-independence period in 1940s and 1950s.

Ismail Marzuki was born on May 11, 1914. Ismail studied at an elementary school for native Indonesians, the HIS. He later attended the Dutch language middle school MULO. Therefore, he became fluent in Indonesian, English, and Dutch. He enjoyed listening to music and playing some instruments. However, he did not study music formally, instead learning by himself. In 1931, he wrote his first song O Sarinah which is about suffering people. During his career, he wrote between 202 and 204 songs.

His most famous compositions are Rayuan Pulau Kelapa, Gugur Bunga di Taman Bakti, and Selendang Sutura. The last song Inikah Bahagiawa was composed in 1957. Several of his songs are considered compulsory and taught in schools. He died on May 25, 1958.

On 17 August 1961, Ismail Marzuki received the first Wijaya Kusuma Award. He was honoured posthumously in 1968 with the opening of Taman Ismail Marzuki, a cultural centre and park in Central Jakarta. He was recognized as a National Hero of Indonesia in November 2004.

5. From the text, we know that Ismail Marzuki .

- A. Was a soldier
- B. Was a journalist
- C. Was a composer
- D. Was a singer
- E. Was a farmer

6. What is his first song about?

- A. A beautiful woman
- B. Suffering people
- C. A protest of condition
- D. A beautiful beach
- E. The beauty of Indonesia

7. Which of the followings is the last song composed by Ismail Marzuki?

- A. Rayuan Pulau Kelapa
- B. Gugur Bunga diTaman Bakti
- C. O Sarinah
- D. Selendang Sutera
- E. Inikah Bahagia

8. " He was honoured posthusmously in 1968 "

The underlined word has similar in meaning to

- A. Lately
- B. Similarly
- C. Excitedly
- D. Greatly
- E. Early

9. "..... instead learning it by himself".

The underlined word refer to

- A. Languages
- B. Music
- C. School subject
- D. His first song
- E. How to sing

10. When did IsmailMarzuki die?

- A. On May 22, 1958
- B. On May, 23 1958
- C. On May, 24, 1958
- D. On May, 25, 1958
- E. On May. 26, 1958

Good Luck



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