



EXERCISES OF RECOUNT TEXT

Name: _____

Class: _____

CHOOSE ONE OF THE CORRECT ANSWERS BETWEEN A, B, C, OR D

The following text is for question 1 to 4.

One holiday, Vandra visited his aunt in a village. It was his first experience of traveling by train, but he enjoyed it. He arrived at the railway station at 3 p.m. His uncle's house was not far from the railways station, so he decided to go there by horse cart.

Vandra stopped a horse cart. To his surprise, the rider was a woman. She was dark skinned and looked strong. Along the journey, they had a chit-chat. The rider told him about her life. She is a wife with three children. She was simple, but had a great dream. She wanted her children to be successful. As a mother, she was willing to work hard for her children's education. She never gave up. She believed that her hard work would be paid off. Vandra was amazed at the horse cart rider's story. What a great woman.

1. What is the text about?

- A. A horse cart rider's hard work
- B. Vandra's experience on a train
- C. Vandra's travelling experience
- D. The life story of a horse cart rider

2. What was the horse cart's rider like?

- A. Honest
- B. Generous
- C. Kindhearted
- D. Hard working

3. Why did Vandra take a great respect to the horse cart's rider?

- A. She struggled for the success
- B. She lived with her three children
- C. She was simple, but had a great dream
- D. She was the only woman who rode a horse card

4. "She never **gave up**."

What is the closest meaning of the bolded phrase?

- A. Felt sorry
- B. Surrendered
- C. Complained
- D. Fought against



The following text is for question 5 to 8.



Pablo Picasso was one of the most outstanding and important artists of the 1900's. He is best known for his paintings. Almost every style in modern art is represented in Picasso's works.

Picasso was born in 1881 in Malaga, Spain as the son of an art teacher. He studied painting from his father and his college level course of study at the academy of arts in Madrid.

From about 1895 to 1901, he painted realistic works in a traditional style. He, then entered what was called the Blue Period. During this time, he only used shades of blue in his paintings to shows the poverty he saw in Barcelona.

After 1908, he entered into the style of cubism. Among hiss well-known cubist paintings are "Three Musicians" and "Man with a Guitar".

Picasso died in Mougins, France in 1973. He was really great artist.

5. Why did Picasso become so popular?

- A. Because he studied in art school
- B. Because he was known for his great paintings
- C. Because he painted in traditional style
- D. Because he was the most outstanding artist of the 1900's

6. According to the text, Picasso ... **except**

- A. Had a father who worked as an art teacher
- B. Finished his study at the Academy of Arts in Madrid
- C. Was famous for his painting style
- D. Died in Spain 1973

7. What can be inferred from the text?

- A. Picasso's father was not good at art
- B. Picasso was unpopular artist of 1900's
- C. Blue Period represented the prosperity in Barcelona
- D. Picasso passed away at the age of 92

8. "... he only used shades of blue in his paintings to shows the **poverty** he saw in Barcelona."

(Paragraph 3) The word "poverty" can be replaced by ...

- A. Poorness
- B. Wealth
- C. Prosperity
- D. Luxury





The following text is for question 9 to 12.

At the first break, Arin went to the school library. As usual, she walked towards the fiction section, her favourite one. She took an interesting storybook from the shelf, then sat at the corner. The book was about a handsome and brave prince who tried to free a princess from a giant.

Arin was very sleepy. She didn't realize that she fell asleep while reading. On her dream, she was the princess who was saved by the prince. The giant didn't let Arin go. He held her strongly and she struggled to get loose. Consequently, she fell down to the ground. Suddenly, Arin heard people laughing. She opened her eyes and saw several students looking and laughing at her.

Arin was confused, but she finally realized what had happened. She dreamt about the story in the book she read. For matters worse, she fell down from the chair due to her dream.

9. Why is the text written?

- A. To relate Arin's experience
- B. To amuse readers by telling a story
- C. To describe Arin's activity during the break
- D. To tell readers the story of a giant and a princess

10. In Arin's dream, the giant her.

- A. Pulled
- B. Pushed
- C. Captured
- D. Released

11. What kind of books does Arin like to read?

- A. Storybooks
- B. Biography books
- C. Science books
- D. Engineering books

12. What did Arin probably feel when her schoolmates laughed at her?

- A. Bored
- B. Upset
- C. Jealous
- D. Embarrassed

The following text is for question 13 to 16.

I just returned from my holiday in my uncle's house in Malang. During the time, I visited many interesting places, such as Jatim Park 1 and 2, Museum Angkut, Batu Night Spectacular and Mount Bromo. However, the most memorable is my trip to Mount Bromo. However, the most memorable is my trip to Mount Bromo. It is the most exotic place I've ever seen.



At that time, I went with my uncle's family. We went there by car in middle of night and arrived at around 3:30 a.m. There were already many people there. They all wore thick jackets, gloves and beanies, so did we. It was so cold that we were going to freeze. Soon, we could adapt to the weather.

Later on, we moved to Penanjakan Peak to see the sunrise. Later on, we witnessed such a magnificent sunrise. Luckily, the weather was so fine that we all could see that shinning golden ball very clearly. Then, we walked up to the top of Mount Bromo. It was really hard because we had to walk through thick sand desert while it was rather cold. Arriving at the top, it was so amazing! Trust me, you should go there one day. What a wonderful place! Overall, my last holiday is the best moment of my life. I wish I have another chance to explore Malang City.



13. What is the next mainly about?
- A. The writer's experience in Mount Bromo
 - B. The writer's impression about the sunrise
 - C. The writer's unforgettable holiday in Malang
 - D. The writer's trip to climb a mount for the first time
14. What is the main idea of the second paragraph?
- A. The place was full of visitors.
 - B. The writer went to Bromo by car.
 - C. The writer arrived at her destination.
 - D. The weather at the moment was very cold.
15. From the text we know that...
- A. The writer went Bromo with her cousin
 - B. The sky was cloudy when the morning broke
 - C. It is quite easy to pass through the sand
 - D. The writer wore a thick jacket and beanie
16. "They all wore thick jackets, gloves and beanies, so did **we**." (Paragraph 2)
What does the bolded word refer to?
- A. The writer's uncle family
 - B. The visitors of Mount Bromo
 - C. The writer and her uncle's family
 - D. The people who the writer saw on her arrival.

The following text is for question 17 to 20.



Neymar da Silva Santos Junior born 5 February 1992, commonly known as Neymar, is a Brazilian footballer who plays for La Liga club FC Barcelona and the Brazilian national team, as forward or winger.

At the age of 19, Neymar Jr won the 2011 South American Footballer of the Year award, after coming third in 2010.



He followed this up by winning it again in 2012. In 2012 Neymar received nominations for the FIFA Ballon d'or, where he came 10th, and the FIFA Puskas Award, which he won. He is known for his acceleration, speed, dribbling, finishing and ability with both feet. His playing style has earned him critical acclaim, with fans, media and former players drawing comparison to former Brazil player Pele, who has called Neymar "an excellent player".

Neymar joined Santos 2003 and after through the ranks, he was promoted to their first team squad. He made his debut for Santos in 2009 and was voted the Best Young Player of the 2009 Campeonato Paulista. Further honors followed, with Neymar being voted best player as Santos won the 2010 Campeonato Paulista, and also being top score in the 2010 Copa de Brazil with 11 goals. He finished the 2010 season with 42 goals in 60 games as his club achieved the Double. Neymar was again voted best player of the year in 2011 as he retained the state title and Santos also winning the 2011 Copa Libertadores in which Neymar scored 6 goals in 13 appearances. He also played a key role in securing a continental Double for his team, Santos' first since 1963. He received the Bronze Ball in the 2011 FIFA Club World Cup, with Santos making it to the final, where they were defeated 4-0 by Barcelona.

17. What happened to Neymar in 2011?

- A. He scored 6 goals in 13 appearances
- B. He moved to FC Barcelona
- C. He received the FIFA Puskas Award
- D. He helped Brazil to win their 11th title

18. The main idea of paragraph 3 is ...

- A. Neymar played for Santos
- B. Neymar played the best
- C. Neymar scored many goals
- D. Neymar received awards_____

19. "His playing style has earned him critical acclaim, ..."

Choose the best word that can replace the underlined word below ...

- A. Forfeited
- B. Deprived
- C. Gained
- D. Lost

20. According to the text, how many goals did Neymar score in the 2010 season?

- A. 40 goals in 60 games
- B. 46 goals in 62 games
- C. 42 goals in 60 games
- D. 42 goals in 61 games

