

5. Is she crazy about travelling?

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Exercise 19: Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the correct answer to each of the questions.

❶ A favourite winter activity is skating. But before you go skating on a pond or lake, there are a few safety tips you should know. The ice should be at least 6 inches thick. Never skate alone. Never **assume** the ice is safe, and do not go out onto the ice after an animal or toy. Always be familiar with the area where you want to skate and be sure **it** is well-lit if you go skating at night. The safest place to go skating is on a skating rink. Some cities have outdoor skating rinks. And most cities have an indoor skating rink you can use for a small fee.

When you go skating for the first time, make sure you wear warm socks, a warm hat, and lots of layers of clothing. Most rinks have hot drinks and snacks, but you can also bring your own snacks. Weekends are usually the busiest time of the week to go skating. Weekday nights are usually less crowed. Evening skating can be a lot of fun for the whole family. Most rinks have floodlights. At night, the rink is lit up and bright.

1. What can be the best title for the passage?

A. Winter Fun B. Skating Safety Tips C. Best Skating Rinks D. How to Knit a Scarf

2. The word "**assume**" in line 2 is closest in meaning to _____.

A. Believe B. doubt C. ignore D. confirm

3. The word "**it**" in line 3 refers to _____.

A. the area B. the ice C. the animal D. the toy

4. Which of the following is NOT true according to the passage?

A. You should never skate alone on a pond or lake.

B. Weekends are typically the busiest times for skating rinks.

C. It's recommended to wear warm clothing when you go skating for the first time.

D. It is always safe to skate on a lake if the ice is thick enough.

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5. Which of the following can be inferred from the passage?

A. Outdoor skating rinks are always safer than indoor rinks.

B. It's possible to skate at night on well-lit rinks.

C. All cities have free indoor skating rinks.

D. You should never bring your own snacks to a skating rink.

❷ One of the most obvious negative aspects of social networking is losing face- to-face contact with other people. Teens are sitting around with their phone in their hands all day long, **tapping** messages onto screens instead of communicating with real people. Many teenagers feel more comfortable with virtual friends than with real ones. The majority think that it is easier to chat on the Internet because **they** lack communication skills.

It is also true that parents often have no knowledge about what their kids do with their phones or computer. Crosby says that, "While kids are plugged in to social media, only about 40% of parents are involved themselves." And because parents don't know the full picture, they also don't know how to deal with a teenager's potential overuse of social media and might not even be aware that a problem exists. Therefore, social networking can be much more immediately engaging with the teenager's life than parents are, and this fact makes virtual communication feels more "real" than face-to-face communication.

(Source: Adapted from We have kids)

1. What is the main idea of the passage?

A. Social media helps teenagers improve their communication skills.

B. Parents should use social media more often.

C. Social networking can lead to less face-to-face contact and parental unawareness of its impact on teens.

D. Teenagers prefer virtual friends over real friends.

2. What does the word "**tapping**" in the passage mostly mean?

A. Hitting B. typing C. drawing D. calling

3. The word "**they**" in line 4 refers to _____.

A. virtual friends B. real people C. many teenagers D. communication skills

4. According to the passage, which of the following sentences is TRUE?

A. Most parents are fully aware of their children's online activities.

B. Teenagers often feel more comfortable talking to virtual friends.

C. Face-to-face communication is becoming more popular among teenagers.

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D. Social networking always helps improve family relationships.

5. Which of the following can be inferred from the passage?

A. Virtual communication is never as important as face-to-face communication.

B. Social media has no positive aspects for teenagers.

C. Teenagers who use social media always have poor communication skills.

D. Parents should try to be more involved in their children's online lives.

Exercise 20: Read the passage and answer the questions.

My name is Peter. I have two hobbies. Firstly, I love playing volleyball. I want to be a famous volleyball player in the world. Now, I am a member of the school volleyball club. Playing volleyball is a great way to stay healthy and keep fit. I feel so excited when playing volleyball. I spend more than one hour each day playing with my friends or my cousins. Reading books is another favourite activity in my free time. I am interested in reading comics and science books. I often discuss the things I learn from books with my father. It is very helpful.

1. What does Peter like doing?

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2. Who does he want to be?

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3. Is playing volleyball a good hobby?

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4. How long does he spend each day playing volleyball?

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5. Which kinds of books is he interested in reading?

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6. What does he discuss with his father?

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Exercise 21: Four phrases/ sentences have been removed from the text below. Choose the correct answer to complete the text. Write only the letter A-D in each blank.

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❶ Leisure activities are very important to people. (1)_____. The most common type of leisure activities are those that are done just for fun. Often these activities do not need a special skill in order to do them. In many parts of the world, watching television is the number one leisure activity. (2)_____, eating out, playing sports, travelling, and playing electronic games.

More serious leisure activities include working on a hobby, (3)_____. People need to learn a special skill or have experience to do these types of leisure activities.

Leisure brings different rewards to different people. People usually feel happy and relaxed (4)_____. They can also feel a sense of adventure and pride in their accomplishment.

(Adapted from https://kids.britannica.com)

A. Other popular choices include talking with friends

B. such as building a model plane or working with pottery

C. There are a lot of activities they can do in their free time

D. when doing their leisure activities

❷ A favourite pastime with children and adults alike (1)____. Children catch crickets and sell them for this purpose.

Horse racing held on weekends in a Saigon suburb draws large crowds as thousands of Vietnamese, young and old, turn out to cheer the pint-sized Asiatic horses and jockeys on to victory. Betting is heavy, with profits going into the national treasury of Southern Viet Nam. (2)_____.

Other popular sporting events include soccer, basketball, volleyball, swimming, hiking, ping pong, and tennis. Viet Nam teams often compete with other countries in soccer, tennis, bicycling, basketball, and other sports.

There are few golf courses in Southern Viet Nam. (3)____. It may well be the only golf course in the world fortified by pillbox installations on its perimeter, (4)____. There is an excellent golf course in Da Lat. Caddies are usually women.

A. The one in Saigon is located near Tan Son Nhat airport

B. with soldiers and machine guns inside

C. It is not uncommon to see a horse run the wrong way around the track

D. is betting on cricket fights during the rainy season

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Exercise 22: Write sentences using the given words.

1. I/ interested/ do/ puzzles/ surf/ net.

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