Test in Reading

A MEDICAL PRODIGY

Akrit Jaswal was born in India in 1993. His parents could soon see that he was more intelligent than other children. He could talk when he was only ten months old and he could read and write at the age of two. He started reading adult books when he was five. Medicine was one of his favourite interests, and he decided to become a doctor. When he was six years old, doctors in a hospital said he could watch them. He spent many hours watching them and he also read a lot of books about medicine.

Akrit went to university in India at the age of eleven to study medicine. He was younger than any other student there. He wants to finish his studies in India and then go to Harvard University in America. When he was a small child, he saw people dying in the streets in India. They couldn't go to hospital because they were poor and didn't have any money. Akrit wants to help people like these in the future. He wants to give them better lives.

I Read the text. Then choose the correct answer (a or b).

Akrit Jaswal comes from _____

a India **b** America

1 He could _____ before he was a year old.
a read **b** talk

2 When he was a child, Akrit was interested in __.
a medicine **b** writing

3 Akrit started university when he was _____.
a six **b** eleven

4 He wants to _____ in the US.
a work **b** study

5 Akrit wants to help _____ in the future.
a poor people **b** doctors

II Read the text and complete the sentences with one or two words.

1 Akrit is from _____.

2 He _____ before he was a year old.

3 When he was a child, Akrit was interested in _____.

4 Akrit went to university when he was _____.

5 Akrit wants to help _____ people who are ill.

LIVEWORKSHEETS

Following a dream

Zara is an ambitious young musician from Manchester. Her parents loved classical music, and her mum started giving her piano lessons when she was just five years old. Zara was a talented child, and she learned quickly.

Zara is seventeen now. Like her parents, she's a big classical music fan, but these days her real passion is electronic music. Her favourite instrument is the keyboard. She sings, too, and she writes her own songs.

At weekends, Zara usually gets together with a few other musicians and friends. They make music videos and upload them to the Internet. Their videos are very popular – the last one had ten thousand views on its first day.

Zara is still at school, but she already knows what she wants to do with her future. "I'm not interested in talent shows. When I leave school, I'm going to travel around the world and explore different types of music. I want to learn to play some more instruments. My ambition is to become a successful musician. It won't be easy, but I'm going to try!"

III Read the text. Then write *T* or *F* next to the sentences.

1 Zara's parents loved hard rock. ___
2 Zara started to learn the piano when she was a child. ___
3 Classical music is Zara's favourite type. ___
4 Zara plays the keyboard. ___
5 Zara's brother writes songs for her. ___
6 A lot of people watch Zara's music videos. ___
7 Zara is a student. ___
8 Zara would like to visit some other countries. ___
9 Zara wants to be successful. ___
10 It will be easy for Zara to do well as a musician. ___

IV Read the text. Then answer the questions. Write complete sentences.

1 Who was Zara's first piano teacher?

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2 What is Zara's favourite type of music?

_____

3 Where can people watch Zara's music videos?

_____

4 What is Zara going to do when she finishes school?

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5 What does Zara want to be when she's older?

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