

Reading Part 1

- The **same text** is used for questions 1-8.
- Read the text and answer the questions.

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1. Read the text and answer the question:

At the beginning of the story, how does Jasim feel about school?

- A. He really enjoys it.
- B. He feels angry about it.
- C. He doesn't take it seriously

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2. Read the text and answer the question:

Jasim's teacher wants to ____.

- A. talk about his poor performance at school
- B. tell him what career he should do
- C. say that he should do more homework

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3. Read the text and answer the question:

***** **BONUS** ***** **Jasim told his teacher that he wants to ____.**

- A. be a policeman
- B. fly aeroplanes
- C. go to university

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4. Read the text and answer the question:

When Jasim changed his behaviour, he saw his friends __ usual.

- A. less than
- B. more than
- C. as much as

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5. Read the text and answer the question:

After Jasim had been studying for a while, he found it ____.

- A. Tiring
- B. too hard
- C. enjoyable

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6. Read the text and answer the question:

Jasim was accepted on the training course because his ____.

- A. attitude to his work had improved
- B. teacher had advised him to apply
- C. family had helped him

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7. Read the text and answer the question:

How did the teacher's opinion of Jasim change during the story?

- A. He thought Jasim was a bad student at the beginning and at the end.
- B. He believed that Jasim didn't care about studying at the start but was hardworking in the end.
- C. He was certain that Jasim would succeed in the beginning but not at the end.

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8. Read the text and answer the question:

What is the story about?

- A. training to be a pilot
- B. behaving well at school
- C. how to reach your future goals

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