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*Cheng Lei*

In my free time, I really enjoy listening to music. My favourite music genres are k-pop and j-pop music, but sometimes I also listen to rap songs. I've even daydreamed of becoming a famous singer one day, but I don't think I will. Someday, I will go to a Seventeen concert with my best friend Samantha, it will be great, but now my parents don't allow me to go there because they say I'm still a teen. Well, I also spend some time watching my favourite series online, and I play Fortnite with my brother from time to time. I also play Nintendo 3DS, I especially like Tomodachi Life, a life simulation video game. In my free time, I don't usually play sports, I don't like it, but sometimes I watch badminton matches on the TV.



*Robinson*

Whenever I have free time, I play computer games. I spend a lot of time in the computer playing League of Legends with my friends, but I also play Blizzard and World of Warcraft. I wouldn't mind to become a professional gamer and play e-sports, but my cousin Stephen always tells me that's not an easy thing to do. Well, I also play PS4, and I have played plenty of games in that platform. I don't really do anything else in my free time, but while I'm playing online I sometimes listen to rock or trash music, which makes it even more exciting. My parents say I play too many videogames, but I'm not really into any sports except from hockey, which I may play in the future, now I'm too young for that, so I'll play NHL 19 online in the meanwhile.



*Johanna*

In my free time, I usually hang out with friends and take part in the High School female basketball team. But the thing is: I don't really have plenty of free time in my life. I'm a busy student and I need to learn the most I can and get the higher grades at school. Also, I help my parents run their cosmetics shop in the avenue, which is not an easy task to do. From time to time, I also take care of my grandparents as my parents are working throughout all the week, so my weekends are not usually free. However, I spend some time listening to rock music when I just wake up in the morning, and I listen to classical music when I go to sleep. Additionally, every week I spend some time playing videogames with my best friend Alex, who is my neighbour as well: his favourite one is Call of Duty, but I'd rather play NBA 2k with him, we have lots of fun together.



*Robert*

When I have free time, I really like playing the piano. I started to learn playing the piano recently and just loved it, so it's the first thing I want to do after coming back home from school. But don't think I'm really into traditional classical music, I just like piano music such as that of Ludovico Einaudi and Yiruma. I'm not really keen on playing videogames, I played too many horror games when I was six or seven, so I used to have plenty of nightmares then. I'd rather watch Game of Thrones, which is my favourite series actually, along with Stranger Things and Black Mirror. Also, I don't really like playing sports, but my older brother plays for the local handball team, so I go to the local stadium twice a month to encourage him. In my free time, I also chat with friends and acquaintances in Twitter, Facebook and Instagram, and sometimes we meet together and have some soda out there.

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Choose the correct answer.

❖ Why Cheng Lei has daydreamed of becoming a famous singer?

- a) Because she really likes music, it is her favourite free time activity.
- b) Because she has actually dreamed of becoming a famous singer and can't think of anything else since then.
- c) Because she listens to K-pop singers, which means she is obsessed with music.
- d) Because music plays a vital role in her life, so she wants to become a professional musician in the future.

Answer:

❖ What kind of game do you think *Tomodachi Life* is?

- a) It is a role game in which the player customises the main character and discovers a new world full of strange creatures.
- b) It is a role game which mainly consists on creating your own character and living in your own island, as it happens in *Animal Crossing*.
- c) It is a role game in which you create plenty of characters, feed them, take care of them and listen to their various issues in life.
- d) It is a role game which consists on random characters developing their own lives, while the player observes situations as a passive user.

Answer:

❖ What kind of person would you say Robinson is?

- a) He is someone stubbornly obsessed with playing computer games, he doesn't do anything else in his life.
- b) He is a standard gamer and does nothing more than playing the average amount of time a standard teen of his age would.
- c) He is someone really into computer games, who especially likes those related to fantastic open worlds.
- d) He is a teenager who hasn't ever read a book, watched a TV series or done anything else in his free time apart from just playing videogames.

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❖ Why doesn't Johanna usually have much free time?

- a) She is usually studying a lot to get good grades, because she is a full-time student who always feels the need to get the highest possible marks.
- b) She is very busy, not just with her studies, but also with helping her father and mother run the family business, so she doesn't hang out with friends frequently.
- c) In some way, Johanna has to work hard to become a useful woman in the future, because she has great plans in mind that require hard work.
- d) She is not just studying hard for High School exams, but she is also spending quite a lot of time to help and assist her family's needs.

Answer:

❖ Why do you think Johanna enjoys playing NBA2k with Alex?

- a) Johanna is a sensible teen, so she wants her friend to avoid playing games of violence.
- b) She is part of a female basketball team, no wonder why she wants to play a basketball videogame with her friend.
- c) She is not really into playing violence games, she'd rather play something else.
- d) Because she is really into basketball and attends official NBA matches whenever she can. In addition, she plays basketball in her High school team, so we can deduce she is keen on playing basketball games as well.

Answer:

❖ Why doesn't Robert seem to like traditional classical music even when he loves playing the piano?

- a) Robert thinks piano music is not the same as classical music, which implies a wider use of different instruments.
- b) Robert just likes playing the piano, why should he like something else?
- c) He has been following famous pianists for a while, so he has recently got a great interest in playing the piano.
- d) Robert doesn't really like music, he just enjoys playing piano music.

Answer: