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Reading Comprehension-GLAT Practice

Television-My Point of View

Steven 9

I love television. The first thing I do when I wake up is to switch it on. My favourite channel is the Cartoon Network. I watch TV three to four hours a day. My parents think it is too much and they are always telling me to do something else like studying, reading or doing a sport, but TV is my favourite hobby and I don't feel like doing anything else. Of course, I know that my marks at school would be better if I concentrated more on schoolwork and took more time to do my homework, but I guess I am addicted to my favourite program. Anyway, I have already promised my parents to watch less TV every day. I guess I have to go earlier to bed.

Karen 12

I think TV has become a great source of information. I know most preteens don't like watching the news, but I do. I like to know what is happening in our world. I also enjoy documentaries that give you facts and information on various topics. I especially like to watch shows about wildlife. I'm very curious about the way animals live and what is being done to preserve their species. I always have a lot of fun watching TV. Another great thing about TV is that I can listen to my favourite music and watch the video clips at the same time. I also enjoy watching live shows and films, mostly comedy and thrillers. However, I also like watching dramas like Law and Order sometimes. Unlike most children my age, I watch TV for only two to three hours a day.

Read the passage carefully then answer the items.

1. Read the following statements. Then, write the name of the person who is being described.

(a) He/She watches the news. _____

(b) He/She is the one who spends more hours watching TV. _____

(c) He/She loves watching her/his favorite singer/bands on TV. _____

(d) He/She could be a better student if he/she watched less TV. _____

2. Reread Steve's opinion. Then, say what each of the words refer to in the text.

(a) it (sentence 2) _____

(b) they (sentence 5) _____

3. Reread Karen's opinion. Then, write the words from the text that means the same as:

(a) excellent _____

(b) funny stories _____

(c) once in a while _____

4. What would Steve's parents want him to do instead of watching television? Write ONE thing.
