

## LISTENING



Listen and answer the questions

1. what method of transportation did the boy use before he got a scooter?  
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2. what activities does the boy who has a new tablet ?  
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3. what does the girl who studies fashion usually buys?  
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4. How long has the girl had a cat?  
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5. How often does he make a dinner for his friends?  
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Listen and complete the following texts with the corresponding words

A (boy) My favourite thing has to be my new tablet. It's really \_\_\_\_\_ and quite small, so I take it with me \_\_\_\_\_. I'm always writing messages to friends and it's big \_\_\_\_\_ to do college work on it too. It takes really good photos, and I play games and listen to music on it as well, of course. I often download films onto it and \_\_\_\_\_ them in bed. My mum says I'm \_\_\_\_\_, because I'm always on it. I even read things on it at breakfast time. I'm not allowed to at dinner time, though. I have to be \_\_\_\_\_ and talk to people then. "Welcome back to real life," my mum says

B (girl) My favourite thing? Does my cat count as a thing? She's not really a thing, but anyway. She's a really \_\_\_\_\_ little cat. I've had her since she was four months old. You know how some cats are really \_\_\_\_\_ and hardly talk to you? I know cats don't really talk, but you know what I mean. Well, she's not like that at all. She's really \_\_\_\_\_ and comes up to me as soon as I get home, purring away like mad. She makes a lot of noise for a tiny thing. She loves being \_\_\_\_\_ and comes and curls up next to me when I'm on the sofa. She's great \_\_\_\_\_

C (boy) My new \_\_\_\_\_! It's quite small, but fun, and just what I needed for getting around the city. I used to have \_\_\_\_\_ a long walk to the metro, then a longish walk at the other end to get to college. But now I can just whiz there on my scooter. And there's no problem \_\_\_\_\_, there's always space for it. You have to be careful with the cars and lorries – they don't always see you – and when it rains the \_\_\_\_\_ of the road is terrible, it gets really \_\_\_\_\_. But in general it's perfect for me, and I can fit a friend on the back too – I've got an extra helmet for a friend. It's great. Riding along makes me feel so free

D (girl) This might sound a bit old-fashioned, but my \_\_\_\_\_ machine is my favourite thing. I'm studying fashion and love making things, as well as designing them. I also love clothes myself and \_\_\_\_\_ buy second-hand clothes – everyone loves the “vintage” look at the moment – and then I adapt them to my \_\_\_\_\_. It's much easier using a machine to do that than doing it by hand. I do alterations for my mum and my sister too. If I don't make it as a \_\_\_\_\_, I suppose I can always set up my own alterations and \_\_\_\_\_ business. Customising clothes, by taking things off and adding things on, is actually very creative, so I \_\_\_\_\_ mind that.

E (boy) My set of Japanese knives. That sounds a bit \_\_\_\_\_, doesn't it, but I'm not a murderer or anything. They're chef's knives and the best ones come from Japan. Cooking is my new hobby. I got into it when I \_\_\_\_\_ watching Masterchef on TV. Then I went to an evening class for beginners, and I haven't looked back since. I try and have a dinner for \_\_\_\_\_ four and eight friends every two or three weeks. That gives me something to work towards and I always do new dishes so they can \_\_\_\_\_ them out and give me feedback. It's quite an expensive hobby if you use good ingredients, but now my friends help towards the cost. They still get a good meal for a very low \_\_\_\_\_

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## WRITING

write a paragraph about your favorite thing to do and why