8.5 Reading

A short story competition!

Read the winning story by *Paula Maple in Class B.*

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Fay was a polite girl. She waited her turn, she asked for permission to do things and she was never late.

One summer, Fay's cousin, Julie, was visiting her. Julie lived abroad and this was her first trip to England in five years.

On the first day of the visit, Fay got up at eight o'clock. She waited for Julie to get up. They wanted to meet their grandparents for lunch at one o'clock. But Julie got up at 12.45 p.m. They were late for lunch.

'Sorry,' Fay said to her grandma. 'Julie got up at late.'

'Maybe she's tired from the trip,' said Grandma.

At home, Julie took Fay's MP3 player. She didn't ask for permission. She didn't wait her turn when they were playing computer games. And then she didn't come to dinner on time.

'Listen Julie. I want to …' Fay started to say.

'Be quiet. I'm watching TV,' said Julie.

'Listen Julie!' said Fay. 'In my house we are polite, we aren't late, we don't interrupt, we don't take people's things and we wait our turn. In my family we have good manners!'

Julie was very surprised. For the rest of the visit, Julie was very polite.

1 **Vocabulary** Complete the sentences with the words in the box.

interrupt late permission polite time turn

1 I hope Larry arrives on *time*. The train will be here soon.
2 Don't _____ when your mum is speaking.
3 Please don't be _____ for the film. It starts at 7 p.m.
4 'I want to play now.'
'You have to wait your _____ !'
5 You must ask for _____ to leave the classroom.
6 It's important for shop assistants to be _____ and helpful.

2 Read the advert. Circle the correct answer.

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1 (Do) / *Are* you think good manners are important?
2 *Have* / *Do* you got great imagination?
3 *Do* / *Are* you good at writing?
4 *Can* / *Are* you draw pictures?

If your answer to questions 1–4 is *yes*, write a short story and show your readers why it's a good idea to be polite. Draw a picture and add it to the text.

Ask your English teacher for more details about the competition.

3 Read Paula's story. Choose the best title.

a Late for lunch ☐
b Good family ☐
c Cousin problems ☐

4 Read the story and write the missing words.

1 Fay was a *polite* girl.
2 She _____ her turn.
3 She asked _____ to do things.
4 She was never _____ .
5 Julie and Fay were late for _____ with their grandparents.
6 Julie _____ wait her turn when they were playing video games.
7 Julie didn't arrive on time for _____ .
8 After Fay spoke to her, Julie was _____ for the rest of the visit.

5 Answer the questions.

1 Where did Julie live?
Abroad.
2 What time did Fay get up?
_____
3 What did Julie take from Fay?
_____
4 Why did Julie tell Fay to be quiet?
_____
5 What does Fay's family have?
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