Lesson 9 教育 Reading

B Read the conversation, then mark the statements true or false. INTERPRETIVE

柯林：雪梅，你钢琴弹得棒极了！你是几岁开始学的钢琴？

雪梅：四岁。

柯林：你怎么四岁就开始对钢琴有兴趣了？

雪梅：我四岁的时候没见过几次钢琴，怎么会有兴趣？我妈妈开始带我上钢琴学校的时候，我一看见钢琴就哭。可是妈妈一定要上完课才带我回家。

柯林：她怎么能让你学你没有兴趣的东西呢？

雪梅：我妈妈有她的道理。她说，学钢琴要早，等到孩子自己对钢琴有兴趣，可能就太晚了。

柯林：有道理。我十岁的时候开始喜欢钢琴，后来也学了好几年，可是现在跟你比，差得太多了。

雪梅：我的爱好和兴趣是妈妈帮我选择的。一开始我常常抱怨，可是后来我就真的喜欢钢琴了，越学越轻松，越学越快乐。

柯林：现在我开始理解像你妈妈那样的中国父母教育孩子的做法了。

1 ___ Xuemei was uninterested in the piano when she began taking lessons.

2 ___ Xuemei often cried when her mother took her home from piano school.

3 ___ Xuemei's mother insisted that children should start taking piano lessons early.

4 ___ Ke Lin's parents made him take piano lessons when he was ten.

5 ___ According to Ke Lin, Xuemei plays the piano better than he does.

6 ___ Xuemei sounds quite grateful that her mother made her take piano lessons when she was young.

7 ___ Ke Lin has always been sympathetic to Xuemei's mother's ideas about children's education.

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C Read the passage, then mark the statements true or false. Note: 虫 / 蟲 (*chóng*) means "insect" or "bug." INTERPRETIVE

在中国，很多父母都希望自己的孩子学的东西越多越好，这样孩子长大了才能做出一番大事业。因为有这种望子成龙望女成凤的想法，所以很多家长让孩子学这学那，不太考虑孩子自己的兴趣和爱好。有的孩子因为太忙，休息不够，影响了身体健康。还有的孩子因为压力太大，没有时间跟其它小朋友一起玩儿，所以觉得自己的童年不快乐。北京有个十二岁的男孩儿说："爸爸妈妈一直希望我长大了成为一条龙。可是我不愿意当一条不快乐的龙，只愿意当一条快乐的虫 (*chóng*)。"

在中國，很多父母都希望自己的孩子學的東西越多越好，這樣孩子長大了才能做出一番大事業。因為有這種望子成龍望女成鳳的想法，所以很多家長讓孩子學這學那，不太考慮孩子自己的興趣和愛好。有的孩子因為太忙，休息不夠，影響了身體健康。還有的孩子因為壓力太大，沒有時間跟其他小朋友一起玩兒，所以覺得自己的童年不快樂。北京有個十二歲的男孩兒說："爸爸媽媽一直希望我長大了成為一條龍。可是我不願意當一條不快樂的龍，只願意當一條快樂的蟲 (*chóng*)。"

1 ___ The author asserts that many Chinese parents have very high expectations for their children.

2 ___ Some children in China are overly busy because they are interested in too many things.

3 ___ The author believes that when children are too busy, it can be detrimental to their health.

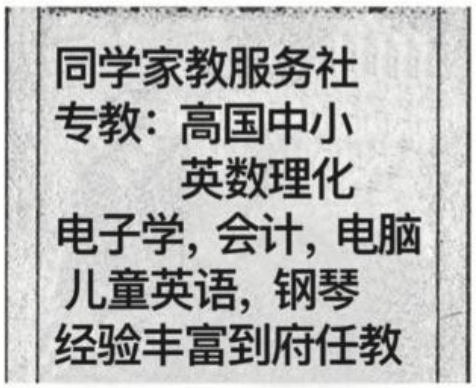
4 ___ Some children have to be pressured into spending time playing with their friends.

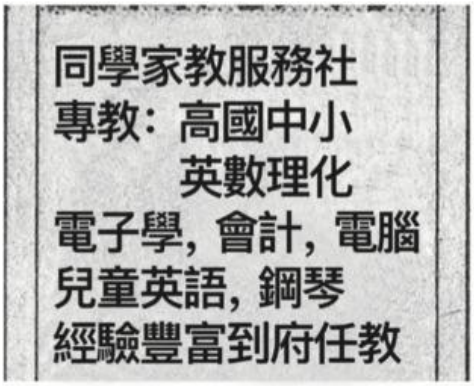
5 ___ The twelve-year-old boy fully understands his parents' efforts to make him study harder.

6 ___ The author disapproves of forcing children to learn many things.

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D Look at this newspaper advertisement, then answer the questions in English. INTERPRETIVE





1 What classes can parents sign their children up for? List at least three.

2 Does the ad target elementary, junior high, or high school students? How do you know?

E Look at this newspaper advertisement, then answer the questions in English. INTERPRETIVE





1 What's the student-teacher ratio?

2 What time of year does this advertisement encourage people to sign up for classes?

3 In which areas does the advertisement guarantee good results? Name at least one.

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