

TA THCS READING COMPREHENSION 1

I. Read the following passage and choose the correct answer for each gap.

I surf the Internet every day, but I've never (1)_____ more than an hour at a time online. I've got a laptop and also a smartphone, so I can (2)_____ the Internet anywhere. Today, for instance, I've been (3)_____ three times. Mainly I just (4)_____ my friends. I read online magazines and I look (5)_____ information, too. I also compare prices of things, (6)_____ I've never bought anything online because I don't think it's safe. I'm not an Internet addict, but some of my friends (7)_____. One friend of mine always looks (8)_____ because he spends all night online. Although he's got a lot of bad marks for the exams, he hasn't (9)_____ his habits. In my experience, it's very useful for people who use the Internet (10)_____.

1. A. spend	B. spending	C. spent
2. A. have	B. use	C. play
3. A. online	B. Internet	C. computer
4. A. write	B. email	C. send
5. A. at	B. in	C. for
6. A. because	B. but	C. although
7. A. is	B. were	C. are
8. A. tired	B. hard	C. happily
9. A. change	B. to change	C. changed
10. A. sensible	B. sensibly	C. sensibleness

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II. Read the passage and fill in the blanks with the given words.

environment; diseases; pollution; emission; upgrading

If you wander on the streets of Ha Noi, the capital of Viet Nam, you may be surprised that most people are wearing masks, hiding their faces. This is because of serious air 1.

_____ in this city. Between March 1 and 4, 2016, the air quality index of Ha Noi, as measured by the US Embassy in Ha Noi was over 350. At this level, air pollution can cause lots of respiratory 2. _____, especially to children and the elderly. The major cause of air pollution in Ha Noi is traffic. Due to the increasing number of motorcycles and cars in the last decade, the 3. _____ of chemical exhausts has been on a constant rise. Another reason is urban construction, including road 4.

_____ projects and residential buildings. People have to live with the dust and dirt throughout the city. Environmental experts have warned that if the city continues to develop its economy with little regard to the 5. _____, the consequence will be tragic.

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III. Read the passage then answer the questions.

The Youth and Young Pioneers Organization was founded in Vietnam on 26/ 3/ 1931. It builds character, and encourages good citizenship and personal fitness.

The Y & Y has many plans to help the community. It encourages all members to take part in different programs.

The recycling program can help people save natural resources. The "Rosy Smile" program helps raise fund for the poor children.

The "Green Sunday" program makes the city more beautiful with clean streets, plenty of trees and flowers. It gives more green color to the city and it is done on Sunday so it has the name "Green Sunday".

There are some more helpful programs such as "helping the elderly and street children", "supporting cultural-sport", "young scientists", etc.....

1. When was the Y & Y founded?

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2. What does it build?

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3. What does it encourage?

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4. Why is it named "Green Sunday"?

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5. What does the recycling help?

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IV. Read the article and then decide whether the statements are true (T) or false (F).

Telepathy is the ability to communicate information using your mind. Information is transmitted from one mind to another using means other than your well-known perceptual senses. Telepathy ranges from the basic reading of minds to more intense power, such as implanting or disrupting thoughts in other people's minds.

There are a few common reasons why someone becomes telepathic. For example, there are those who are simply born with a sense of knowing. These people talk about seeing spirits. But they tend to suppress their abilities as children and often lose it as adults. Alternatively, a life-changing event may open them up to being telepathic and exploring their gift even further.

Also, there are times when a near-death experience or serious accident can also open someone up and cause a telepathic awakening. And in some cases, hypnosis or healing sessions can help a sixth sense to awaken. Such sessions help with getting energy flowing and causing a shift in awareness and consciousness.

1. Telepathy is the ability to communicate information using normal senses.
2. Telepathy can be found in several forms.
3. People who often talk about seeing spirits may be telepathic.
4. Some people may not recognize and develop their telepathic abilities, so they lose these skills.
5. A near-death experience or serious accident can make a person become telepathic.

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Exercise 2. Put the following words and phrases in the correct order to make complete sentences.

1. She/ playing/ loves/ at night./ young children/ with/

2. learning/ My classmates/ like/ the new teacher./ with/ English/

3. They/ all day./ hate/ chatting/ their daughter/ with/ her friends/ seeing/

4. homework/ doesn't mind/ Mike/ at weekends./ doing/

5. leisure activities/ What/ you/ with/ usually do/ your family?/ do/

6. What/ does/ leisure/ he/ in/ his/ time?/ do/



WRITING

Exercise 1. Rewrite the following sentences so that their meaning stays the same. Use the given words.

1. He uses all his free time to collect toy cars.
⇒ He spends _____
2. Jimmy likes to listen to pop music than to watch TV after school.
⇒ Jimmy prefers _____
3. Making crafts or collecting things like stamps and coins are very interesting.
⇒ It's very interesting _____
4. We usually visit museums when we have leisure time.
⇒ We enjoy _____

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5. My son doesn't like to get up early and go to school on cold winter days.

⇒ My son hates _____

6. What are your favorite leisure activities?

⇒ What do _____

7. He really likes collecting toy cars in his free time.

⇒ He is crazy _____

8. It is not a good idea to spend too much time on computer games.

⇒ It's better to avoid _____

9. My parents insist that I learn something interesting.

⇒ My parents want _____

10. Jack finds doing household chores boring.

⇒ Jenny dislikes _____

Exercise 2. Use the given words to write the complete sentences.

1. He/ like/ do/ DIY/ save/ money.

2. I/ like/ learn/ English/ online/ because/ I/ want/ improve/ my/ English skills.

3. Play/ video games/ sometimes/ help/ us/ develop/ our/ intelligence.

4. My dad/ fond/ play/ sports/ so that/ he/ can/ keep fit/ stay in shape.

5. My daughter/ prefer/ do/ housework/ do/ homework.

6. Mr. Johnson/ find/ watch/ news/ TV/ really/ interesting.

7. My uncle/ detest/ fix/ things/ in the house.

8. My cousin/ crazy/ do/ karate/ so/ he/ join/ a karate club/ last month.
