



READING COMPREHENSION TEST



Please read the following text carefully!

Bawang Merah and Bawang Putih

Once upon a time in a small village, there lived two girls named Bawang Putih and Bawang Merah. Bawang Putih was kind, honest, and hardworking. Bawang Merah, on the other hand, was lazy and mean. Bawang Putih lived with her stepmother and stepsister, Bawang Merah, after her mother passed away.

Every day, Bawang Putih did all the housework — cooking, cleaning, and washing — while Bawang Merah and her mother did nothing but rest and complain. Even though she was treated unfairly, Bawang Putih never complained.

One day, while washing clothes in the river, Bawang Putih lost her stepmother's favorite scarf. Scared, she followed the river to find it. Along the way, she met an old woman who said, "I found your scarf, but I'll give it back if you help me for a while." Bawang Putih agreed and helped the woman clean her house, cook food, and fetch water.

After a few days, the old woman returned the scarf and offered Bawang Putih a reward: a big box or a small box. Bawang Putih chose the small box because she didn't want to be greedy. When she got home and opened it, the box was full of gold and jewels!

Bawang Merah and her mother were jealous. They forced Bawang Merah to do the same. But instead of being kind, Bawang Merah was rude and lazy when she stayed with the old woman. In the end, she chose the big box, hoping for more treasure. But when she opened it, poisonous snakes and insects came out!

From that day on, Bawang Merah and her mother learned their lesson. They treated Bawang Putih better, and the family lived more peacefully.



PART 1

Answer all the questions by deciding if they are true or false!

1. Bawang Merah was a kind and hardworking girl
2. Bawang Putih did all the house chores without complaining
3. Bawang Putih lost a scarf while cleaning the kitchen
4. Bawang Putih chose the big box as her reward
5. Bawang Merah was polite and helpful to the old woman
6. The small box that Bawang Putih received was full of gold and jewels
7. Bawang Merah received the same reward as Bawang Putih
8. Bawang Merah and her mother learned a lesson in the end
9. The story teaches that being greedy brings happiness.
10. Bawang Merah is the brother of Bawang Putih

PART 2

Answer these questions based on your opinion about the text!

1. What is the moral value of the story? Explain in your own words!
2. Why do you think Bawang Putih chose the small box instead of the big one? What does this decision tell you about her character?
3. Explain the time, settings, and situation in the orientation part with your own words!