

# READING

## Comprehension

## READ THE CONVERSATION

**Ben:** You always get good marks at school. You're lucky! I study but I don't always get good marks.

**Katy:** I'm not lucky! I know how to study. I always do three things. Do you want to know them?

Ben: Yeah, please!

**Katy:** OK, number one. Always study in a quiet place.

Ben: I usually study in my bedroom. It's very quiet.

Katy: Number two. Have a clear desk!

**Ben:** Right. A clear desk. My desk isn't clear. There are lots of papers and books and pens on it.

**Katy:** Well, that isn't very good!

Ben: What's tip number three?

**Katy:** Have lots of breaks. I always study for thirty minutes. Then I have a break for five minutes. I move my arms and legs and drink some water. Then I study again for thirty minutes.

**Ben:** I never have a break. I sometimes study for two or three hours.

**Katy:** That isn't a good idea! It's important to get up and move your body.

Ben: OK. Thanks. Next time I think I can get good marks!

### READ THE CONVERSATION AND ANSWER THE QUESTIONS:

### I. - PREPARATION: MATCHING

Match the opposite words and write a-f next to the numbers 1-6.

1..... Good	a. unlucky
2..... Lucky	b. untidy
3..... Always	c. noisy
4..... Quiet	d. bad
5..... Clear	e. unimportant
6..... Important	f. never

#### II. CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING: MULTIPLE CHOICE

Circle the best answer to these questions.

- 1. Ben...
  - a. doesn't study
  - b. studies and does well.
  - c. studies and doesn't do well.

2. Ben usually studies...

- a. in the library.
- b. at home.
- c. in his friend's house.

3. On Ben's desk there are...

- a. papers, books and pens.
- b. pencils, books and pens...
- c. a pencil case and pens.

4. Katy...

- a. has a break for thirty minutes
- b. exercises for thirty minutes.
- c. studies for thirty minutes.

5. When Ben studies...

- a. he doesn't take breaks.
- b. he has a break for 2 or 3 hours.
- c. he has 2 or 3 breaks each hour.

### III. CHECK YOUR UNDERSTANDING: GROUPING

Write the ideas in the correct group.

A.- Study for two or three hours without a break.

B.- Get up and move your body.

G.- Have a clear desk.

C.-Stay in your chair when you take a break.

D.- Have lots of papers and books on your desk.

E.- Play loud music while you study.

F.- Take lots of breaks.

H.- Study in a quiet place.

Good ideas	Bad ideas

#### IV.- CHECK YOUR VOCABULARY: GAP FILL

Complete the sentences with a word from the box.

good	body	quiet
three	legs	marks

1. You always get good \_\_\_\_\_ at school!
2. I always do \_\_\_\_\_ things. Do you want to know them?
3. I usually study in my bedroom. It's very \_\_\_\_\_.
4. I move my arms and \_\_\_\_\_ and drink some water.
5. It's important to get up and move your\_\_\_\_\_.
6. Next time I think I can get \_\_\_\_\_ marks!

