Vocabulary and Comprehension Practice Test

Read the paragraph and select the correct answer.

As professors, we often remind our students that taking personal responsibility is key to their academic success. We encourage them to start their assignments early because, as the saying goes, early birds catch the worm. However, some students avoid challenges or responsibilities, and when we take them on to guide or correct them, they sometimes hurl excuses or frustration instead of accepting help. Sadly, this attitude can lead to enmity between students and teachers, when the goal is simply to support their growth.

1. What does the idiom "early birds catch the worm" mean in the context of the paragraph?

A) Students should ask more questions
B) Students should sleep longer
C) Students who start early have better chances of success
D) Professors give better grades in the morning

2. What is the meaning of the phrasal verb "take them on" in this paragraph?

A) Invite students to join a club
B) Challenge or confront students to help them improve
C) Write students' names on a list
D) Remove students from class

3. According to the paragraph, what do students sometimes "hurl" when professors take them on?

A) Books
B) Compliments
C) Excuses or frustration
D) Laughter

4. What is the meaning of the noun "enmity" in the last sentence?

A) A strong friendship
B) A type of emotion
C) A subject in school
D) A feeling of opposition or hostility

5. What is the main message of the paragraph?

A) Professors should avoid correcting students
B) Students should focus on memorizing vocabulary
C) Professors enjoy challenging students
D) Taking responsibility and accepting help lead to student success

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