

READING (50 points)

Read the article and answer the questions that follow.

The Dog Train

Imagine you are walking down the street when you suddenly see a tractor pulling a row of barrels¹. In each barrel, a different dog is sitting up and looking around. This strange sight is exactly what people could see in the town of Fort Worth in Texas. But what exactly is the story behind this strange “dog train”?

5 For over 20 years, Eugene Bostick and his brother Walter took care of dogs that people didn't want anymore. Dog owners in their town often left their dogs on the street without food or water. Eugene and his brother were worried about the poor dogs, so they started to take them to the vet to get the aid and medicine they needed. Then, they gave the dogs a place to stay and made sure that they
10 had enough food.

One day, Eugene saw someone driving a tractor that was pulling a row of barrels with wheels² behind it. Eugene used to work for a train company, so the row of barrels reminded him of a train. That's when a strange and wonderful idea came to him – he decided to build “a dog train”. With his brother's help, he
15 collected a few barrels, cut them to make seats that are suitable for dogs and connected them to wheels. Then, he tied the barrels in a row behind his tractor, called some of his dogs and told them to jump on. Finally, he took the dogs on a train ride around the town and saw that it gave them great joy. It looked like the dogs were smiling!

20 Eugene started taking dogs on rides in his train once or twice a week. Whenever he connected the barrels to the tractor, many excited dogs would run to the train and jump on. At first, Eugene's train had only four barrels, but then he added five more so it would be capable of taking nine dogs on each trip.

Eugene's dog train became very popular with both local people and visitors,
25 who took many pictures and videos of the happy dogs on the train and put them on the Internet. The dogs in their blue barrels became famous.

¹barrels חביות / براميل

²wheels גלגלים / دواليب

1 Circle the correct answer according to lines 1-4.

What strange sight could people see in Fort Worth, Texas?

- a. Many dogs walking together.
- b. A row of barrels next to the road.
- c. Many dogs riding behind a tractor.
- d. A row of tractors crossing the road.

2 Write two things Eugene and his brother did to help the dogs according to lines 5-10.

- 1.
- 2.

3 Circle the TWO correct answers.

What do we learn in lines 11-19?

- a. How much time it took to build the dog train.
- b. Where Eugene found barrels for the train.
- c. What made Eugene think of building a dog train.
- d. Why Eugene worked for a train company.
- e. How Eugene and Walter built the dog train.

4 According to lines 11-19, how did the dogs feel about riding in the train?

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5 Circle *True* or *False* according to lines 20-23.

- 1. Eugene drove the dog train every day. TRUE / FALSE
- 2. The dogs were afraid to go on the train. TRUE / FALSE
- 3. Eugene decided to make his train longer. TRUE / FALSE

6 Complete the sentence according to lines 24-26.

People around the world can now easily see the dogs on the train because

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VOCABULARY (20 points)

A Circle the correct answers.

1. The storm caused a lot of **distance** / **control** / **damage**.
2. When the fire started in the building, everyone **completed** / **allowed** / **escaped**.
3. The name "John" is very **common** / **female** / **obvious**. In the USA alone, millions of people are named John.
4. **Poor** / **Local** / **Sharp** Sarah! She fell off her bike and broke her arm.
5. Jessica has an interesting job. She **tells** / **trains** / **announces** horses.
6. The plane will land in Paris in **approximately** / **generally** / **lately** three hours.
7. Our neighbor is learning how to play the **jewelry** / **drums** / **aim**, and the noise is terrible.
8. Did you know that some trees can reach a **concern** / **death** / **height** of more than 100 meters?
9. My uncle couldn't visit us last week because he was **male** / **ill** / **awake**.
10. In the summer, lots of insects fly around the **lake** / **jazz** / **aid**.

B Complete the sentences with the words below.

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volunteer strategy guide have a plan adapt

1. Dolphins are swimming more than 120 kilometers a day.
2. Now that Jacob's dog is trained, it much better.
3. Brenda likes to play games that require and make you think.
4. What are you going to do for your art project? Do you ?
5. If a snake you, you must get to the hospital as soon as possible.
6. When people release an animal in the wild, it must quickly.
7. The teacher asked for a to collect the students' papers and give them to her.
8. Kayla's parents are about her. It's late and she's not home.
9. The took our group to interesting places around the city and answered all our questions.
10. I why Marina doesn't want to go hiking tomorrow. She usually loves hiking.