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TEST: UNIT 4 CONNECTIVITY -LEVEL 5



READING

1) Read the message board posts. Then choose the correct answer to each question, according to the information.

The Best of the Best

Best friends are trustworthy and loyal. We laugh and sometimes cry with our best friends. And every once in a while, a best friend will do something extraordinary. What's the greatest thing that your best friend has ever done for you?

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Posted by David Sanchez • 2 hours ago

What's amazing to me is that my best friend puts up with all my moods—the good ones and the bad ones. I admit that I can be hot-tempered. A lot of people walk on eggshells around me, but not my friend Mateo. He's always himself around me, and he always tells me when I need to chill. He even saved me from making a huge mistake one time. We were running in the park, and this guy on a bike came by and almost hit us. I was furious and about to go ballistic. Mateo grabbed my arm and told me to take a deep breath and calm down. The biker stopped and apologized. He was actually pretty nice. The next day I had a job interview. It was the biker who interviewed me for the job! I got the job, thanks to Mateo. Sure, I had the skills I needed for the work. However, that wouldn't have mattered if I had yelled instead of keeping my cool the day before!

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Posted by Veronica Campbell • 1 hour ago

My best friend is Jen, and the best thing she's done for me is help me after I broke my arm and my leg in a skiing accident. I had to recover at home for over a month, and I still had a few weeks of classes left. My professors said I could do my work at home and email homework and final papers to them. Of course, I could only type with one hand, and it was taking me forever to complete simple assignments. I knew I couldn't finish unless I got some help. Right away, Jen offered to help me. I was a little worried because she's usually disorganized, but she really came through for me. She typed all of my papers and even organized my assignment deadlines on a calendar. And she never once complained! She even listened to me vent about how miserable I was not being able to do much for myself. Although she doesn't expect anything in return, I want to find a way to repay her.

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Posted by Sandra Kim • 21 minutes ago

My best friend is my cousin Dan. We co-own a restaurant and are together all the time—morning, noon, night, weekdays, and weekends! We know we have to be understanding of each other's shortcomings to survive. But it wasn't always this way. I'm a perfectionist, and it drove Dan crazy when we first started working together in his parents' restaurant. I was also oversensitive, so it didn't help that I got upset every time he informed me that I was making a big issue out of nothing. When he had the opportunity to buy the restaurant from his parents, I was surprised that he asked me to be a co-owner. On top of that, what was shocking was that he asked me to make a lot of the important decisions about running the restaurant. He said that he wanted me to be controlling! He thought that my perfectionism would help the restaurant run smoothly, and it would give him more time to be creative with the menu. We've been through thick and thin running this restaurant together for several years now. Trusting me to be his business partner was the best thing he's ever done for me.

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1. Which person tends to express anger by flipping out?

- a. David Sanchez
- b. Veronica Campbell
- c. Sandra Kim

2. Which friend doesn't usually do things with a clear, organized plan?

- a. Mateo
- b. Jen
- c. Dan

3. Which person handled frustration about a bad situation by venting to a friend?

- a. David Sanchez
- b. Veronica Campbell
- c. Sandra Kim

4. Which person focuses on what's wrong with things and wants everything to be perfect?

- a. David Sanchez
- b. Veronica Campbell
- c. Sandra Kim

5. What's the greatest thing that Mateo has done for David?

- a. Mateo helps David shrug off things that bother him and control his anger.
- b. Mateo sometimes can't control his anger with David and goes ballistic.
- c. Mateo walks on eggshells around David to avoid making him angry.

6. What's the greatest thing that Dan has done for Sandra?

- a. Dan is understanding of Sandra's shortcomings and helps change her behavior.
- b. Dan trusted Sandra to be co-owner of the restaurant and make important decisions.
- c. Dan shrugs it off every time Sandra makes a big issue out of nothing.



LISTENING

2) You will hear a description. Read the paragraph below. Then listen and complete each statement with the word or short phrase you hear in the description.

The woman says she sometimes feels **1)** _____ because she's so
2) _____. She says that when she puts things away, she then can't
3) _____. She feels embarrassed to **4)** _____
because there's such a mess. So she asked her friend Alicia for **5)** _____
because Alicia's so **6)** _____. Alicia helped her **7)** _____
all her stuff to decide what was important and what she could **8)** _____.

GRAMMAR & VOCABULARY

3) Combine the sentences. Complete the CLEFT SENTENCES with WHAT or IT.

1. I stayed calm. It surprised me.

What _____.

2. He was bugging me. His name was Frank.

It _____.

3. It drove me crazy. It was my roommate's music.

It _____.

4. I received beautiful flowers. It made me happy.

What _____.

4) ADVERB CLAUSES OF CONDITION. Choose the correct word.

1. **WHETHER OR NOT** / **ONLY IF** / **IF** he learns to control his temper will he earn the trust and respect of his co-workers.

2. Let's meet in the conference room **IF** / **ONLY IF** / **UNLESS** it's in use.

3. I'm not going to be able to finish this project **ONLY IF** / **UNLESS** / **IF ONLY** my manager gives me more time.

4. **UNLESS** / **ONLY IF** / **WHETHER OR NOT** you agree with me, I know I made the right decision.

5. Ryan needs to apologize for what he said to me. **OTHERWISE** / **ALTHOUGH** / **EVEN IF**, I won't forgive him.

6. **EVEN IF** / **UNLESS** / **ONLY IF** he apologizes for his outburst, it won't change anything. I will never work with him again!

5) SHORTCOMINGS. Complete each sentence with the correct word.

1. Sonia is such a _____ that she'll never finish writing her novel. She keeps finding things wrong with it and never considers it done.
2. Heath is a _____. He rarely starts his projects until the day before they are due.
3. Tom is so _____ that can never find anything and he's always forgetting about appointments.
4. Eli is _____. You have to be careful when giving him negative feedback because it can make him upset easily.
5. Alex has a habit of being too _____. He's critical of everyone he meets.
6. John is a _____. He gets angry even at small things most people would let go.

6) ANGER. Complete each sentence with the correct word.

1. When we tell Bill about this, he's going to FLIP _____. He always loses his temper about these kinds of things!
2. Mark likes to LET OFF _____ by going for a run. He says he always feels better after exercise.
3. Thanks for listening to me. I just needed to _____ about the situation with my roommate.
4. Instead of letting go of her anger, Sharon tends to HOLD IT _____ and not talk to anyone about it.
5. No matter how rude the customers are, Julio never gets upset. He can just _____ IT GO and not be bothered.
6. Whenever Lana gets angry, she tries to _____ IT OFF and not let the situation bother her.

