

Household Chores

1 - Match the words and the pictures

1. work in the garden
2. clean the windows
3. do the washing/the laundry
4. water the plants
5. tidy up the room
6. scrub the floor/the cooker
7. wash up the dishes
8. vacuum the carpet
9. empty the rubbish
10. dust the furniture
11. walk the dog
12. mop the floor
13. mow the lawn
14. iron the clothes
15. do the shopping
16. cook a meal



My name is Sam, and I study at college. I rent a flat together with another student. I am not an extremely tidy person and I hate housework, but we are expecting a visit from my flatmate's Grandma. So, on Saturday my flatmate Bob and I decided to give our flat a really good clean. First, we tidied up the bedroom and the living room, which wasn't an easy thing to do. Then we emptied the rubbish. I also collected all my dirty socks from under the bed and washed them. Next, I dusted the furniture and vacuumed the carpets, and Bob mopped the floors. After that, I scrubbed the sink and the cooker while Bob cleaned the windows. By 12 o'clock the whole flat looked really neat and orderly. We were awfully tired, but there were still lots of things to do. After a short rest, Bob headed for the supermarket and did some grocery shopping, and I started cooking something to eat. At dinner we rewarded ourselves with a big piece of chocolate cake for all our hard work. We were so exhausted that after dinner we just crashed out :o)

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2 - Reading Comprehension

Astuce : ce n'est pas nécessaire de comprendre chaque mot pour réussir. Il faut bien observer le reste de la phrase et du texte pour deviner le sens des mots nouveaux.

1) In your opinion, how old is Sam ?

- a. 8 years old b. 14 years old. c. 24 years old.

2) Who is Bob ?

- a. Sam's father. b. Sam's roommate. c. Sam's brother.

3) What did they decide to do on Saturday ?

4) How did they divide the household chores ?

- a. Tidy up the bedroom and the living room
- b. Empty the rubbish
- c. Collect all the dirty socks from under the bed
- d. Dust the furniture and vacuum the carpets
- e. Mop the floor
- f. scrub the sink and the cooker
- g. clean the windows

5) Vocabulary : read the text again and guess the meaning of these words

a. college	b. rent	c. flatmate	d. rest	e. rewarded
université	habiter	maison	rester à la maison	récompenser
collège	louer	appartement	manger	manger
école primaire	rentrer	colocataire	se reposer	acheter

f. collect	g. grocery shopping	h. neat	i. awfully	j. exhausted
collectionner	buy food	dirty	very	happy
ramasser	buy clothes	clean	a little	very tired

6) Is it true or false ?

- a. Sam doesn't like doing the housework. _____
- b. It was quite difficult to do the housework. _____
- c. They finished the housework in the evening. _____
- d. After dinner, they decided to go to sleep. _____