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**Exercise1: Locate the topic of paragraph and answer the questions**

**Paragraph A**

Family have a common ancestor. They can be categorized into different types. A nuclear family consists of parents and their children living together. In an extended family, different family members such as grandparents, aunts, uncles and cousins live together. Families with only one parent are called single parent families.

1. What is the topic of this paragraph? .....
2. How many types of family? .....
3. What types are the same as your family? .....

**Paragraph B**

Baby koalas have an easy life. After it is born, the baby koala is carried in its mother's pouch and is fed by her. When the koala is sixth months old, its eyes are wide open, and it is eager to see the outside world. So, its mother carries it on her back until the baby koala is almost as big as she is.

1. What is the topic of this paragraph? .....
2. Where do babies' koala live? .....
3. when do baby koala's eye open? .....

**Paragraph 3**

Each Sunday afternoon, the Mario family do something that they all decided on. The Mario family never do the same thing they did on Sunday before. One-month last fall, they spent their Sunday afternoon at the zoo, at a play, at the circus and played football in the park. The Sunday afternoon that the Mario family likes best was the one at the circus.

1. What is the topic of this paragraph? .....
2. When do Mario's family spend time together? .....
3. What activities do the Mario's family like the most? .....

#### Paragraph 4

There are several kinds of classes on college and university campuses. Professors usually teach large formal lectures. Students must listen and take notes. Then teaching assistants (T.A.S.) lead discussion groups. In graduate seminars, small groups of students discuss their ideas with their instructors and classmates.

1. What is the topic of this paragraph? .....
2. Who will lead the group discussion? .....

#### Paragraph 5

Left-handed people suffer more from stress than their right-handed peers, according to a study of 1,100 adults by University of Michigan researchers. As a result, they smoke and drink more. Fifty-Five percent of the lefties smoked, whereas fewer than half of the righties smoked. Furthermore, the lefties consumed more alcohol per year than their right-handed counterparts.

1. What is the topic of this paragraph? .....
2. Who did the research? .....
3. Are you left-handed or right-handed? .....

#### Paragraph 6

The Chinese New Year is celebrated between January and February. New Year's Day food is usually made of vegetables because it is bad luck to kill or eat animals. Children get a red packet or an envelope. This normally contains money. Firework displays are all around the country and dragon dances take place on streets.

1. What is the topic of this paragraph? .....
2. When is Chinese New Year celebrated? .....
3. Why don't people eat or kill animals? .....