Pop Quiz

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UNIT 2 >>> VOCABULARY AND GRAMMAR

Name _____ Date _____

Vocabulary 1: Complete the text with the words and phrases in the box.

fables	fairy tales	myths	tall tales	urban	legends

I suppose the reason why I started writing is that since I was a small child, I've loved all kinds of stories. When I was very little, my grandmother would tell me (1) _____ that were full of giants, dragons, and magic. I also learned a lot about life from (2) _____ since the stories always had a moral lesson in them. At school, I discovered the (3) _____ of the ancient world, which are wonderful tales of heroes and adventure. When I got a little older, I started telling my little brother exaggerated (4) _____ that I made up about the mountains and forest where we live. Recently, besides writing short stories, I've been collecting (5) _____ I find on the internet, and I explain them in my blog. I want people to know what is true and what isn't true online.

Vocabulary 2: Choose the correct options to complete the text.

I think being a writer suits my character. I've always been very (6) ***outgoing*** / ***creative*** . I don't think it's possible to invent stories without that quality. Apart from that, writers need to spend a lot of time alone, and I'm quite (7) ***sensible*** / ***reserved*** . I find it hard to talk to people I don't know, and I'm pretty quiet in social situations. I'm not very (8) ***open*** / ***sensitive*** with other people, so I use writing to express my thoughts and feelings instead. I'm not very (9) ***tactful*** / ***practical*** , so I don't think I could do a normal job. I can't even manage everyday tasks at home. Finally, I'm quite (10) ***inventive*** / ***temperamental*** . My mood changes very suddenly, so I feel that writing gives me the opportunity to express all these emotions in a way that other people enjoy.

Grammar 1: Choose the correct options to complete the text.

My favorite story is one I (11) ***wrote*** / ***was writing*** last year. It's very popular with teenagers my age, and it was actually based on an urban legend. According to the legend, a man moved into a house that (12) ***was previously belonging*** / ***had previously belonged*** to an old woman. In the house there was a painting. One day a small black mark (13) ***was appearing*** / ***appeared*** on the painting. Every day the mark got bigger and bigger until the man started to see the shape of an old woman. The man was terrified, so he sold the painting, but by the next day (14) ***he'd disappeared*** / ***he'd been disappearing*** . About a month later, while the buyer of the painting (15) ***was looking*** / ***had looked*** at his new work of art, he noticed a black mark that seemed to have the shape of a man.

Grammar 2: Complete the sentences using either the *used to* or *would* form of the verbs in parentheses. In some cases, both *used to* and *would* may be used.

What kind of stories (16) _____ (I, like) best when I was small? That's a difficult question. I think my favorite stories were the ones that my grandmother would tell me every time we went to her house. I (17) _____ (love) listening to my grandmother telling me stories. We (18) _____ (not, spend) very much time with each other because she lived a long way from my mom and dad's house, so I enjoyed listening to her partly because it was the only time we were together. She (19) _____ (invent) a story from her imagination, and even though her stories (20) _____ (not, be) very long, I still preferred them to stories I read in books.

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