READING TEST

Topic: Cultural Activities

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Culture in My Pocket

A post on the school blog "Teen Voices"

Do teenagers care about culture? Many adults think they don't. But look around your class! Most of us create, perform or share something every week. We just do it in a different way from our parents.

I'm Marta, and I'm fifteen. I create art on my tablet. I draw characters for my own comic, and my friends say they look like real people. I never use paints, so my fingers are always clean! Last month I shared my first comic on social media, and fifty people liked it.

My brother Dan is different. He loves music, but he is shy and prefers to learn alone. Every evening he watches guitar videos online and copies the music. It isn't easy, and he often makes mistakes, but he doesn't stop. He doesn't want to perform on stage yet. "Maybe next year," he says.

My best friend Olena is the opposite. She performs on stage with the school drama club, and she is never nervous. She also makes short films with her friends. They film everything on their phones, and Olena edits the videos at the weekend. Her dream is to become a director.

And then there's Max. He doesn't paint or act, but he plays video games with friends from three different countries every Saturday. He says games are a kind of art too: they have music, stories and beautiful pictures. Maybe he's right!

So, are young people really "not into culture"? I don't think so. Our culture lives on our phones and computers, and we share it with the world.

Exercise A. Multiple choice

Choose the correct answer: a, b or c. (1 point for each correct answer)

1. **Why do Marta's hands stay clean when she makes art?**
   - **a)** She wears special gloves.
   - **b)** She draws on a digital device.
   - **c)** She only uses pencils.
2. **What stops Dan from playing in front of an audience?**
   - **a)** He has no free time.
   - **b)** He doesn't have a guitar.
   - **c)** He feels too shy.
3. **What does Olena hope to do in the future?**
   - **a)** Make films as a director.
   - **b)** Teach drama at school.
   - **c)** Play in a band.
4. **What is special about Max's Saturday gaming?**
   - **a)** He plays alone in his room.
   - **b)** He plays with classmates at school.
   - **c)** He plays with friends who live in other countries.
5. **Why does Max compare video games to art?**
   - **a)** They are very expensive.
   - **b)** They combine music, stories and pictures.
   - **c)** They are very old.
6. **Which sentence best describes the author's opinion?**
   - **a)** Teenagers are not interested in culture.
   - **b)** Only adults really enjoy art.
   - **c)** Young people enjoy culture in a modern, digital way.

Score A: ____ / 6

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Exercise B. Complete the sentences

Use the words from the box. Use each word only once. ***There are two extra words.*** *(1 point for each correct answer)*

tablet	online	mistakes	stage	edits	liked	camera	concert

1. Marta's hands never get dirty because she makes her artwork on a _____.
2. Dan is learning to play the guitar _____ by following lessons on the internet.
3. When Dan practises a new song, he sometimes plays wrong notes and makes _____, but he keeps trying.
4. Olena belongs to the school drama club, so she often acts on _____.
5. When the filming is finished, Olena _____ the videos on Saturdays and Sundays.
6. Fifty people _____ Marta's first comic after she posted it on social media.

Score B: ____ / 6

TOTAL SCORE: _____ / 12 Grade: _____

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