**Read the text carefully then answer the questions.**

Community service is work done by a person or group of people that benefits others. It is often done near the area where you live, so your own community gets the benefits of your work. You do not get paid to perform community service, but get to learn a lot. Community service can help many different groups of people, even animals and the environment. Community service is often organized through a local group, such as a place of worship, school, or non-profit organization, or you can start your own community service projects. Community service can even involve raising funds by donating used goods or selling used goods like clothing.

Many people participate in community service because they enjoy helping others and improving their community.

1. What is community service?

2. Where is community service often done?

3. Is community service a paying job?

4. What groups of people can community service help?

5. Is donation of used goods a community service example?

6. Why do many people take part in community service?

**Read the text carefully, then decide whether the following statements are true (T) orfalse (F).**

The Soup Kitchen, founded in 1986, is a resource for the homeless, elderly, lonely and poor inCentral London, providing free hot meals, clothes and toiletries, and creating a sense of belonging and community. Serving around 70 people a day from 10 am -12 noon on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, with the Clothes Closet open on alternate Mondays, four to five volunteers are required each morning to carry out this vital work.

The Soup Kitchen is run by a Board of Trustees, a part-time Director and Kitchen Manager, three more staff and a team of volunteers. Support for The Soup Kitchen comes from individuals, corporations and trusts. Volunteers and donations (both financial and in-kind) are vital to support our work and enable us to continue this service to the community.

1. The Soup Kitchen is a non-profit organization.
2. It provides free meals for people in need.
3. It opens five days a week from 10am to 12pm.
4. Clothing is provided every Monday morning.
5. The organization is funded by donations from individuals, corporations and trusts.
6. People can only donate money to the Soup Kitchen.

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**Read the text carefully, then answer the questions.**

My name's Susan. I have two favourite hobbies. My first hobby is reading. I started to do it when I was four years old. The first time I did it, I felt interested. So I kept reading. I enjoy reading because it can make me relaxed and calm. Moreover, it can give me an imagination, so I can write books in the future. I can learn the different cultures and customs of other countries in the world, too.

My second hobby is gardening. I have made a small garden and planted many beds of flowers. In the spring season, my garden is full of beautiful flowers. I have a separate plot for vegetables – carrots, potatoes, etc. In the evening, I water the plants and remove the weeds. I love sitting in my garden and reading my books. It is very pleasant to be there!

1. What are Susan's hobbies?

2. When did she start reading?

3. How did she feel when she first read a book?

4. Why does she enjoy reading?

5. What has she planted in her garden?

6. When does she water plants?

**Read the text carefully, then decide whether the following statements are true (T) or false (F).**

Our life would be hard without rest and recreation. And people have many different ideas of how to spend their free time. If you enjoy doing a thing or activity in your free time, then you have a hobby. A hobby is an activity, interest, enthusiasm, or pastime that is undertaken for pleasure or relaxation, done during one's own time. A person's hobbies depend on his age, character and personal interests. An interesting thing to one person can be boring to another. That's why some people prefer reading, cooking, knitting, collecting, playing a musical instrument, photography or playing computer games while others prefer dancing, travelling, camping or sports.

1. A hobby is anything that you enjoy doing in your free time.
2. Different people have the same hobbies.
3. A hobby can provide us with relaxation.
4. Your hobby may be changed as you get older.
5. One person's hobby may be a boring thing to another person.
6. Playing sports is not a hobby.

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