UNIT #5 – WRITING SECTION PRACTICE

NAME: _____ **DATE:** _____

Cool Stuff—For Free!



Are you tired of your old clothes? Do you have a closet full of sports equipment you don't use anymore? Good-quality clothes and sports equipment are expensive and maybe you don't have enough money for those. The answer? Hold a party to swap clothes and other items with your friends! But first you need to to find a large room where you can hold the swap. Don't try to squeeze everything into your tiny bedroom. Now, here's how to do it:

1. Choose who to invite. Things will go better if you choose friends who are a similar size or who have the same interests.
2. Ask everyone to bring the same number of items, perhaps five or six. The things must be clean and not too worn. If an item is torn or broken, it needs to be fixed!
3. As your friends arrive, help them to display their items on tables or on a clothing rack. Or tie a piece of rope across the room and hang things in the center of the party. For the first half hour, let everyone look at or try on the items. But they can't take anything yet!
4. Write each person's name on a piece of paper. Draw names to decide who goes first. Everyone gets a chance to choose one item in turn. Then go around again, in the same order.
5. When the choosing is finished, provide snacks and music to keep the party going.
6. If you have items left over that no one wanted, donate them to charity.

If the swap party goes well, make it a regular event. Hold them twice a year—in the fall and the spring. Clean out your closet, help the planet, and have fun!

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2 Read and write. Check T for *True* or F for *False*.

1. Good-quality clothes and sports equipment are usually cheap.	T	F
2. Swapping your clothes and sports things will save you money.	T	F
3. It is best to invite friends who like different kinds of things.	T	F
4. You should always invite five or six friends.	T	F
5. You should give people time to look at the items before they take any.	T	F
6. When people have chosen items to take away, it is time to go home.	T	F

3 Read the text again. Number the pictures in order (1-6).



a. ____



b. ____



c. 1



d. ____



e. ____



f. ____

4 Write. Write answers to the questions. Then compare your answers in a small group.

1. Would you like to hold an event to swap your unwanted stuff? Why or why not?

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2. List two advantages and two disadvantages of swapping items with friends.

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3. What other kinds of items could you swap with friends?

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