

RECOUNT TEXT

Last summer, I spent my holiday as a volunteer in a home for the aged called "*Dom starejših ob Savinji*".

After a conversation with a nurse and a social worker, I knew my job was to talk to wards, take them out for walks, and read them newspapers or books. All that might sound a bit boring. But just after a few days it turned out to be quite different. The wards accepted me as if I was their friend. They have told me their life stories and achievement they have accomplished. It gave me many love advices and warned me from dangers that youth can bring. I have learned so much from them. This was an amazing experience that I couldn't forget. I was the only one who they could talk to. They said that I gave them feeling of care and support. They felt very happy and thankful.

Times passed so quickly. I had to go home and back to school. I felt very miserable for saying goodbye to them. I just promised that I will visit them next holiday.

1. The text mostly tells about
 - A. the writer's experience as a volunteer caretaker
 - B. the amazing moment in a home for the aged
 - C. the writer's concern to look after old people
 - D. the unpleasant situation as a social worker

2. From the text we know that
 - A. the writer must do a couple of activities during his voluntary service
 - B. the aged people warned the writer of the youth dangers
 - C. the old people had a chat with the writer unhappily
 - D. the writer could easily mingle with the old people

3. "I felt very miserable for saying goodbye to them."
The underlined word can be best replaced by
 - A. sad
 - B. tense
 - C. uneasy
 - D. anxious

My name is Jacob Dabulck. I am 12 years old and I go to Lakeland East Primary School. I have had bad days, but last Sunday was the worst one yet. It all started with me falling out of bed and hitting my head on the floor. Once I got up off the floor, I saw my mischievous dog, Brownny, chewing on a strangely familiar piece of paper.

It was my homework! Three laps of the house later, I finally got it back, all torn up. My lazy Sunday had all of a sudden turned into a crazy one. And it was just the start.

After the worst morning ever, I decided to eat breakfast. As I was starving, I put so much food on my plate that I accidentally dropped it on the kitchen floor. The scrambled eggs splattered all over the fridge and one of my pancakes flew up to the ceiling and didn't fall back down. It stuck there with the sticky syrup dripping down onto the floor. I had to clean up the mess for an hour straight.

Since my weekend was already ruined, I decided to go outside and lay on the grass, but after a few minutes, water started spurting up from the sprinkler heads. I got wet from head to toe. The cute girl next door saw everything and I was so ashamed! I spent the rest of the day sneezing and curling up in bed.

On Monday at school, my friend Matthew told me that he had accidentally misspelt my name on our last group project. He had spelt it „Badluck“ instead of „Dalbuck“. He had mixed up the B and D and the L and U. Then, I realised that, maybe, it was the reason for all of my misfortune last Sunday.

4. The text tells us about the writer's ...on the weekend.
 - A. embarrassing incidents
 - B. unlucky experiences
 - C. intolerable hardship
 - D. severe suffering

5. I was laying on the grass ... the sprinklers suddenly turned on and water began spurting all around. What is the appropriate word to complete the sentence?
 - A. though
 - B. when
 - C. since
 - D. then

6. Which of the following events are in line with the text?
- I. The writer's dog chewed on Matthew's paperwork.
 - II. The writer fell off the bed as soon as he woke up.
 - III. Jacob got sprayed with water and was all wet.
 - IV. Jacob's lunch fell on the kitchen floor.
 - V. Matthew misspelt Jacob's last name.

- A. I, II, and III
- B. I, III, and V
- C. II, III, and IV
- D. II, III, and V

When I was in grade III, I had a little accident. This is how I got the scar on my cheek. I was helping my mum in the kitchen. We were making fried rice for breakfast. Suddenly I saw my little sister, Fika who was then two and a half years old, running fast to me. She almost hit her head on the frying pan. Without thinking I caught her. Suddenly I felt very hot on my cheek. I forgot that I was holding a hot spatula. The hot spatula was on my cheek. But thank God, my sister was unharmed.

7. What is the purpose of writing the text?
- A. To inform Fika's little accident two years ago.
 - B. To entertain the readers with Fika's experience.
 - C. To tell the writer's activity in making the fried rice.
 - D. To share the cause of the scar on the writer's cheek.
8. Which statements below are in line with the text?
- I. Fika was in Grade III at that time.
 - II. The writer hit her head on the hot frying pan.
 - III. Fika's mother cooked fried rice for breakfast in the kitchen.
 - IV. The writer got the scar on her cheek when she was in grade III.
- A. I and III.
 - B. II and III.
 - C. II and IV.
 - D. III and IV.

9. "She almost hit her head on the frying pan." The underlined word refers to
- A. the writer
 - B. the writer's mother
 - C. the writer's sister
 - D. Fika's sister
10. "But thank God, my sister was unharmed." The underlined word has similar in meaning with
- A. hurt
 - B. calm
 - C. secure
 - D. injured