

What object is special to you?



My family have visited Ireland twice, and last year I found this small stone on a beach there; it's special because you can see an ancient sea snail preserved in it. It's a hard, round stone, and in the middle, you can see the marks of the sea snail. It's special to me because it reminds me of a really enjoyable holiday with my family. – *James*

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I've played the drums since I was seven years old, and these are my first set of drumsticks. They are light and comfortable to hold, and I used them when I first started to learn to play. I've got some bigger ones now. When I was ten, my parents bought me a drumkit, and now I practise every day. I keep it in the garage as it's very noisy! – *Jenny*

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My special object is my blanket; my grandma made it for me from clothes that I wore when I was little. My grandma took my old clothes and she cut small squares of material from them and joined them together to make this lovely patterned blanket. It's nice and soft, and I have it on my bed; I think I'm really lucky, it took a long time for Grandma to make this for me. – *Rose*

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I have always been athletic, and I started running when I was eight years old. I competed for my school once; I came third and I got a medal. It's small and round medal, but not very heavy, and it's plain, without any inscription. I want to continue running in races, and I hope that I win more medals in the future. – *Sean*

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1 Read the article. Are the sentences T (true) or F (false)? Give the line with the evidence. Example. T9

- 1 James has been to Ireland before with his family.
- 2 James' stone is a square shape.
- 3 Jenny plays the drums in her room.
- 4 Rose has a blanket made from her old clothes.
- 5 Sean hasn't run in many school competitions.
- 6 Sean's medal has his name written on it.

2 Read the article again and choose the correct answers.

- 1** Why is the stone special to James?
 - a** because he likes Ireland
 - b** because it makes him think of a nice time with his family
 - c** because he likes the beach where he found it
- 2** How are Jenny's new drumsticks different?
 - a** They are lighter.
 - b** They are less comfortable.
 - c** They are a different size.
- 3** Why does Jenny play drums in the garage?
 - a** because it is more comfortable to play there
 - b** because there is more space there
 - c** because the drums are loud
- 4** Why is the blanket special to Rose?
 - a** because she likes the patterns
 - b** because she likes her clothes from when she was little
 - c** because her grandma made it for her
- 5** How long did it take for Rose's grandma to make the blanket?
 - a** Her grandma didn't spend much time making it.
 - b** Her grandma spent a lot of time making it.
 - c** Her grandma made it very quickly.
- 6** What is Sean's medal like?
 - a** It's light and round.
 - b** It's heavy and round.
 - c** It's light and square.