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## READING COMPREHENSION

Read the following text and answer the questions.

### The Rooster and the Fox

A rooster sat perched way up in a tree, crowing loudly. A fox heard him and came running to see if he could get a chicken dinner. On the way he thought up a plan to get the rooster to come down. "Hello, brother Rooster," he said in his nicest voice. "Have you heard of the universal peace agreement that has happened between all the animals? We will none of us ever eat each other again but live in peace. Why don't you come down and we can talk about this great news?"
The rooster knew what kind of animal the fox was. He knew the fox was trying to trick him. So he decided to trick him back. He looked very closely at something far in the distance. "What are you looking at up there?" asked the fox. "I think I see a pack of dogs coming this way on a fox hunt."
"Well, if that is the case, I better be off," said the fox.
"But why would you be afraid of dogs in a time of peace like this?" asked the clever rooster.
"I am not sure they have heard about the new agreement of peace," he said and took off.

1. The rooster was way up in a tree
   - A. sleeping.
   - B. crowing softly.
   - C. crowing loudly.
2. The fox ran to the rooster to get a
   - A. a little advice.
   - B. chicken dinner.
   - C. a good laugh.
3. The plan the fox thought up was
   - A. there was a universal peace agreement between all animals.
   - B. he had come to help the rooster get out of the tree.
   - C. it was nicer to be on the ground.
4. The universal peace agreement means
   - A. no animals will have guns.
   - B. people will love each other.
   - C. no animals will eat each other.
5. The fox wanted the rooster to
   - A. come down and talk so he could eat him.
   - B. crow up in the tree some more.
   - C. say something clever.
6. The rooster told the fox he saw
   - A. some more chickens.
   - B. a pack of dogs on a fox hunt.
   - C. another fox.

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**The Wind and the Sun**

One day there was an argument between the wind and the sun. Both said they were stronger than the other. They saw a man traveling on the road and decided to make a test to see which was stronger and able to get the man's coat off.
The wind began to blow and blow very hard. He nearly ripped the coat from the man's back but the man grabbed the coat and wrapped it even more tightly around himself and kept going. The wind got tired because the man just kept his coat on.
Then the sun tried. He shone brightly and the clouds disappeared. Soon the air was warm and dry and the sun kept on shining. Soon the man had sweat running down his face. He was so hot that he finally took off his coat and carried it, looking for a shady spot to rest.

1. The sun and wind each said they were
    A. stronger than the other.
    B. nicer than the other.
    C. smart.
2. The wind and sun decided to make a man
    A. take off his coat.
    B. get mad.
    C. whistle a tune.
3. The wind tried but the man
    A. put his coat over his head.
    B. threw his coat on the ground.
    C. wrapped his coat around him tighter.
4. The sun shone brightly and
    A. the wind blew harder.
    B. the clouds disappeared.
    C. the rain fell.
5. The sun made the man
    A. wrap his coat around him tight.
    B. sweat and get hot so he took off the coat.
    C. smile and sing.
6. The winner of this test was the
    A. man.
    B. sun.
    C. wind.

**The Trees and the Ax**

One day a woodman came to the forest to ask the trees to give him a handle for his ax. They all decided to let him use the ugly ash tree. They were too beautiful to be made into an ax handle. So the woodman cut the ugly tree and made an ax handle. However, as soon as he had an ax handle, he began to cut down all the other beautiful trees as well. "We should never have given in to his request and none of us would be cut down," all the proud trees said sadly.

1. The woodman needed
    A. some fruit to eat.
    B. a shady tree.
    C. a handle for his ax.
2. Which tree did the trees say to use?
    A. big, old one
    B. beautiful ones
    C. ugly ash tree

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3. After the woodman made a handle for his ax, he began to
    A. cut down all the trees.
    B. draw pictures of the trees.
    C. make a house.
4. The trees decided they had been wrong in
    A. being trees.
    B. giving in to his request.
    C. making fun of an ugly tree.
5. The lesson is about
    A. being loyal to friends.
    B. choosing the best wood for an ax handle.
    C. how trees can talk.
6. If we betray a friend, what can happen?
    A. We may also suffer.
    B. We will get lots of other friends.
    C. They will not like us.

**WRITING**

Using the simple past, write six things you did last month.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

**GRAMMAR**

In the following sentences modify the verb into the simple past.

1. The cat _____ (catch) the mouse.
2. Sergio and Laura _____ (go) to work in the morning.
3. Felipe _____ (study) very hard for the math exam.
4. My parents _____ (work) in the same company.
5. The architect _____ (design) houses for people.
6. Maria _____ (have) a white car.

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