

Reading 3 Module 3

Instructions: Read. Then complete each sentence with two words.

Soccer—The Beautiful Game

In 1977, the famous soccer player Pelé named his book *My Life and the Beautiful Game*. The Beautiful Game is, of course, soccer.

Soccer is the number one sport in the world. According to FIFA, 265 million people play soccer. But that is just people who play soccer. Almost 3.6 billion people watched the 2018 World Cup. That is a lot of people. In fact, it is more than half the people in the world.

So, why is soccer the number one sport in the world? Well, anyone can play soccer. Also, you can play soccer anywhere. You can play soccer on the beach, in your backyard, or in a stadium. And, unlike many other sports, you do not need special equipment—all you need is a ball!

1. Pelé is a famous _____.
2. Pelé called soccer the _____.
3. According to the text, _____ people play soccer.
4. Nearly 3.6 billion people watched the _____ in 2018.
5. Soccer is popular because you don't need _____.

Instructions: Read. Then write T (true) or F (false) for each statement.

Chameleon Clothes

Chameleons can change color. Sometimes they change color so that they are difficult to see. Sometimes they change color to show that they are angry, happy, or looking for a partner.

Of course, humans can't change their color, but we can change our clothes. Some people think that dark clothes make a person look more powerful. Other people think pink is romantic, and blue is calm. The color of your clothes says a lot about you.

Scientists are trying to make clothes that can change color when you press a button. The idea is to make pants that can change from white to black or a shirt that can change from white to pink or red. Chameleon clothes!

Clothes that change color are useful for people like soldiers. Chameleon clothes can make the soldiers difficult to see.

Clothes that change color can be useful for other people, too. Imagine changing your clothes from powerful to romantic at the press of a button!

- ___ 6. Chameleons change color to show they are angry.
- ___ 7. According to some people, dark blue is a powerful color.
- ___ 8. Some people think pink is the color of love.
- ___ 9. You can buy clothes that change color.
- ___ 10. Soldiers are difficult to see.

Instructions: Read. Then write T (true) or F (false) for each statement.

Ron Finley

Ron Finley is a fashion designer and a gardener. He lives in South Central, a part of Los Angeles that Finley calls a “food desert.” Food deserts are places where people can’t buy fresh, healthy food.

In the United States, more than 26 million people live in food deserts. In a food desert, there aren’t many grocery stores or farmers’ markets. Instead, there are fast food restaurants and convenience stores. Many people in food deserts have bad health problems because of the unhealthy food.

Ron Finley wants to solve the problem of food deserts. He believes that people can grow their own food. In Finley’s neighborhood in Los Angeles, there are many small areas of land that can be made into gardens for fruits and vegetables.

Finley’s garden project teaches children how to grow food. It also teaches them how to take care of their communities.

- ___ 11. Ron Finley lives in a part of Los Angeles that has a lot of healthy food.
- ___ 12. In a food desert, there are fast food restaurants.
- ___ 13. In food deserts, there are many grocery stores.

- ___ 14. In South Central, Los Angeles, there aren't many places that people can use for gardens.
- ___ 15. According to Ron, children can learn to grow their own food.

Instructions: *Read. Then choose the correct answers.*

Party Planning

Tomorrow is a special day. It's my sister Barbara's birthday, and I'm planning a party for her. She wants something small and quiet, so I'm only inviting a few people. She wants to spend the evening with family and close friends. Eight more people are coming: five of her friends and our brothers. Barbara and I have three brothers. I'm her only sister. Our parents are traveling in Asia, so they are not coming.

Barbara is a very healthy person. She eats about eight oranges a week and drinks milk and water every day. She exercises a lot, too. I'm not like Barbara. I love desserts and eat cake and ice cream all the time!

The guests can eat cheese before dinner. For dinner, we can have a salad with pasta and chicken—it's simple and healthy. I know Barbara doesn't like desserts, but everyone needs to celebrate their birthday with a cake! She can blow out the candles and then give it to us to eat!

- ___ 16. Barbara and the writer are _____.
a. brothers
b. sisters
c. similar
- ___ 17. Barbara's parents are _____.
a. coming to the birthday party
b. shopping for food
c. traveling in a different country
- ___ 18. Barbara _____.
a. is very healthy
b. wants a lot of people at her party
c. likes desert
- ___ 19. The guests can eat _____ before dinner.
a. salad
b. cheese
c. oranges
- ___ 20. Barbara's sister _____.
a. is healthy
b. likes cake
c. eats oranges

Instructions: *Choose the correct answers.*

- _____ 21. Something you usually eat for dessert
 - a. salad
 - b. chocolate cake
 - c. fish

- _____ 22. A kind of meat
 - a. steak
 - b. tea
 - c. eggs

- _____ 23. Something you drink
 - a. fruit juice
 - b. cereal
 - c. pasta

- _____ 24. Something you usually eat for breakfast
 - a. steak
 - b. ice cream
 - c. cereal and milk

- _____ 25. Something you usually eat for dessert
 - a. tea
 - b. ice cream
 - c. fish