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Reading Comprehension

1. Read the text below

We are constantly surrounded by advertisements from billboards to television commercials. Everywhere we tum, we are bound to see advertisements. Do advertisements give us accurate information of the true worth of the product advertised? Are the products advertised as good as they claim to be? How often have you gone back feeling cheated after a shopping trip? The fact is many of us do and many of us are likely to get cheated again!

So what can we do to protect ourselves from being cheated? To begin with, never give in to sales gimmicks. If you are told that the price is only good 'right now, walk away! Salespeople do not want you to think about the product. They know for a fact that if you stop to think about the product, there is a good chance that you will reconsider buying it.

Apart from that, practise self-control and avoid making decisions that you may regret later. Before you go shopping, prepare a shopping list of the things that you need to buy. Set a spending limit so that you do not buy things that you may regret later. In this way, you will spend within your budget.

Always do a research on the product before buying it. Compare prices and know the value of the product that you buy. Do your homework so that it is worth buying it.

Being a smart consumer is not just about getting a good deal. It also means spending within your limits, knowing your rights as a consumer and being an informed consumer.

False advertisements can appear anywhere. Take responsibility. for your spending habits. Be a wise and smart consumer.

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1.1 Fill in the table with an appropriate expression from the text.

Meaning	Expression
a. extremely likely to happen	
b. a good bargain	

1.2 State whether these statements are True (T) or False (F).

a. You only see advertisements on television. ☐

b. You should buy what you want instead of what you need ☐

c. You should take time to think about a product before you buy it. ☐

d. Buy what you need in your favourite shop. ☐

e. Find out more about the product before you buy it. ☐

LIst three ways to be a smart consumer.

How to be a smart consumer

Suggestion 1	Suggestion 2	Suggestion 3
Details	Details	Details
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2. Read the dialogue between Rapunzel and Flynn

Rapunzel: (sitting at the kitchen table, looking thoughtful) Flynn, I've been thinking a lot about our spending habits lately.

Flynn: (raising an eyebrow) Spending habits? What brought this on, Rapunzel?

Rapunzel: (sighs) Well, you know how we've been going to the marketplace every week and buying all those non-essential things, like trinkets and sweets?

Flynn: (nods) Yeah, it's fun, isn't it? We deserve to treat ourselves once in a while.

Rapunzel: (concerned) I agree, but I've been reading about consumerism and financial awareness, and I'm starting to wonder if we could be more mindful about our spending.

Flynn: (leans in, intrigued) Financial awareness? That sounds serious. What have you learned?

Rapunzel: (pauses) Well, it's about being aware of where our money goes and making responsible choices. Sometimes we buy things we don't really need and end up wasting money that could be used for more important things.

Flynn: (nodding thoughtfully) I see your point. We do tend to splurge on unnecessary stuff.

Rapunzel: (smiles) Exactly! And by being more conscious of our spending, we can save for our future. We might want to build a home together someday or start a family.

Flynn: (nodding thoughtfully) I see your point. We do tend to splurge on unnecessary stuff.

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Flynn: (grinning) A home together? That sounds pretty amazing, Punzie.

Rapunzel: (blushing) It does, doesn't it? But it takes planning and financial responsibility to achieve those dreams.

Flynn: (serious) You're right, Rapunzel. So, what do you suggest we do?

Rapunzel: (thoughtful) Well, maybe we could create a budget, limit our impulse purchases, and prioritize saving for our future goals.

Flynn: (smirking) I never thought I'd hear myself saying this, but you make a lot of sense, Rapunzel. Let's give it a try.

Rapunzel: (grinning) Great! We can start by tracking our expenses and setting aside a portion of our income for savings.

Flynn: (taking her hand) Together, right?

Rapunzel: (smiling warmly) Together, Flynn. We can build our dreams and live happily ever after, just like in the fairy tales.

Flynn: (squeezing her hand) I like the sound of that. Financial awareness, here we come!

2.1 Based on the dialogue answer the following question below in the page provided:

1. What is financial awareness?
2. What were the suggestions given by Rapunzel to reduce overspending?
3. What does Rapunzel want to save up for?
4. In your own vision, draw how you think trinkets and sweets look like.

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Write your answers here

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4.

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