

READING COMPREHENSION



Read the dialogue below to understand the conversation between Adam and his mother about money management.

Mom: Adam, here's your allowance for the next week. I'll put it on your table.

Adam: Thanks, mom! By the way, I just want to remind you that you owe me RM30.

Mom: Do I? When?

Adam: I mowed the lawn and cleared the attic last week. Don't you remember it? You promised me RM30 if I got all done by myself.

Mom: Ahh, those. Now I remember. Okay, here you go. I'll add more RM30 to pay the debt. I don't owe you any more do I?

Adam: No. Now I'm saving up for new skateboard. Now that I have enough, I'm going to get it tomorrow with my friends.

Mom: Don't **those things** cost an arm and a leg?

Adam: They do, normally. But, I've noticed that there's a promotion for the one that I like. It's 50% off the normal price. It's a really good deal.

Mom: It's your money. As long as you spend it wisely. Don't be penny wise pound foolish. Looks like you did your homework this time. Do remember to also _____.

Adam: Yes, mom. I always have some money for emergencies.

A. Write "True" or "False" for the statements below to show understanding about the dialogue.

1. Adam receives a weekly allowance from his mother.	
2. Adam borrowed RM 30 from his mother to buy a skateboard.	
3. Adam completed chores like mowing the lawn, clearing the attic to earn RM30.	
4. Adam plans to buy a skateboard at full price.	
5. Adam's mother advises him to spend his money wisely.	

(5 marks)

B. Answer the questions based on the informations provided in the dialogue.

1. What does Adam remind his mother about when she gives him his allowance?

(2 marks)

2. What is Adam's reaction when his mother gives him the RM30 she owed him?

(2 marks)

3. "Don't **those things** cost an arm and a leg?" What does the phrase in bold refer to?

(2 marks)

4. Imagine that you are Adam's mother. Complete the sentence below.

Do remember to also _____

(2 marks)

5. If Adam didn't save money for emergencies, how could this cause problems for him in the future?

(2 marks)

6. Find a phrase in the dialogue that matches the meaning below:

(a) Careful about small amounts of money but not large amounts.	
(b) Looked into something carefully to know more about it.	

(2 marks)

7. Analyse the meaning of the following phrases based on the information given in the dialogue.

(a) Debt	
(b) Cost an arm and a leg	
(c) Promotion	

(3 marks)