

"A Helping Hand"

Tom is a responsible and caring teenager who believes that helping others is very important. For the past two years, he has been volunteering at a community centre where he supports elderly people and families in need. He helps with shopping, cleans houses and sometimes just spends time talking to people who feel lonely.

Last winter, Tom and his classmates organised a large charity project. They raised money, collected warm clothes and prepared food packages for homeless people. If they had had more time, they would have helped even more families.

Although Tom is often busy with school, he always finds time to volunteer. He says that if more teenagers helped others, the world would be a better place. However, Tom wishes he had more free time because he would like to do more volunteer work. He also wishes he could encourage more young people to join charity projects.

I. Write T (true) or F (false).

1. Tom has been volunteering for two years. ____
2. He only helps elderly people. ____
3. He never talks to people. ____
4. The charity project helped homeless people. ____
5. They had enough time to help everyone. ____
6. Tom thinks helping others is important. ____

II. Choose the correct answer.**1. Tom is a...**

- a) teacher
- b) teenager
- c) doctor

2. He volunteers at a...

- a) school
- b) hospital
- c) community centre

3. He helps...

- a) only children
- b) elderly people and families
- c) animals

4. Last winter, Tom and his classmates...

- a) went on holiday
- b) organised a charity project
- c) played games

5. Tom thinks that helping others is...

- a) boring
- b) not important
- c) important

6. Tom sometimes...

- a) watches TV with people
- b) talks to lonely people
- c) plays sports with friends