

3 – Point Questions

For questions (1-5), read and choose the best answer.

1. She decided to wear her purple jacket instead her pink one.



A) to
D) of

B) for
E) on

C) but

2. I'm afraid I have sent you the wrong files mistake.



A) by
D) on

B) from
E) at

C) in

3. I am learning to a scooter.

A) ride
D) climb

B) drive
E) road

C) fly

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4. Do you know where my book?

A) is there
D) it is

B) is it
E) it's

C) is

5. Noah: Orange juice?

Olivia: Yes, I'd like

A) this
D) some

B) any
E) not

C) much

Read the following descriptions of books for young people. For each question (6-10) choose the book that would be suitable for each teenager.

WANDERING

A most popular book recently turned into movie. While reading it, you will be made to feel like an explorer in space, trying to find your way back to Earth in a broken ship. The plot is not that easy to follow so you will need to read everything carefully.

THE BIG BREAK

A most captivating novel about high school soccer players who have big dreams about becoming professional players one day. All characters are realistically portrayed by the writer, who seems to know exactly what goes on in the mind of young people. The book is extremely fast-paced!

IF WALLS COULD TALK

A present-day adventure book – set in a bunch of amazing locations. It will make you laugh, too. If you are into fast moving stories, then this one may not be the one for you. The plot develops slowly, but, on a positive note, it is what will keep you guessing right to the very end.

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DREAMLAND

A novel about two bizarre, yet remarkably talented kids. The story is set in a world of magic, where inhabitants fight sea monster sand flying, fire spitting dragons. The action is anything but slow and it teaches you great life lessons.

THE BIG APPLE

This amazing novel is set in New York City, in the early 1900s. It will reveal exactly what life was like back then for someone who was poor. In actual fact, the story is based on a real person's life, a tennis player. You will never guess how the story ends.

6. **Monica loves stories filled with excitement and set in present day places. She really has no problem with taking a lot of time to make sense of what is going on in the story as long as she can have a good laugh.**

Monica would like to read

- A) Wandering B) The Big Break C) If Walls Could Talk
D) Dreamland E) The Big Apple

7. **Joan loves stories set in imaginary places. She also loves stories which develop really fast and have strange creatures. Joan would like to read**

- A) Wandering B) The Big Break
C) If Walls Could Talk D) Dreamland E) The Big Apple

8. **Bob is really into challenging reads. He is particularly fond of books that are also films so he can spot differences and similarities. He just loves stories about space travel. Bob would like to read**

- A) Wandering B) The Big Break
C) If Walls Could Talk D) Dreamland E) The Big Apple

9. **Magda wants to read a book set in the past, whose main characters would be leading difficult lives. She loves a good surprise.**

Magda would like to read

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D) Dreamland E) The Big Apple

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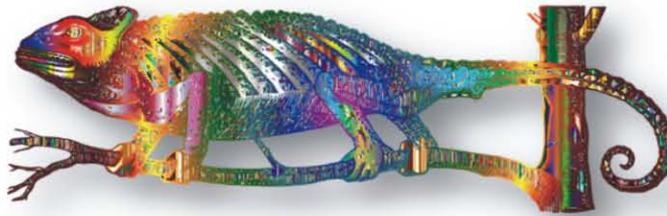
10. Joe loves fast – moving stories, set in the modern world, with compelling characters. He just loves team sports and loves reading books about people who like them too. Joe would like to read

- A) Wandering
C) If Walls Could Talk
- B) The Big Break
D) Dreamland
- E) The Big Apple

4 – Point Questions

For questions (11-20), read and choose the best answer.

11. On average, a chameleon's tongue is twice the of its body.



- A) long
D) longer
- B) longest
E) lengthy
- C) length

12. She is visiting her family Christmas day, and then she's leaving with her friends to go on a ski trip.

- A) on
D) in
- B) for
E) with
- C) at

13. We either buy this book or this CD for his birthday. What do you think?

- A) may
D) shouldn't
- B) could
E) must
- C) don't have to

14. I am not too on this new videogame.

- A) excited
D) keen
- B) found
E) happy
- C) liking

15. After a hard day at school I just want to on my bed and do nothing.

- A) lie
D) lai
- B) lye
E) ley
- C) lay

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16. For me there is nothing than getting a bad grade.

A) worst

B) worstest

C) best

D) bad

E) worse

17. I didn't want to join the karate club, but Maria me.



A) persuaded

B) explained

C) chatted

D) talked

E) calmed

18. Very tall trees the park.

A) collected

B) surrounded

C) moved

D) underlined

E) cracked

19. Many parents were to the event.



A) requested

B) demanded

C) invited

D) ordered

E) persuaded

20. the show finished late, many guests stayed even longer.

A) Although

B) But

C) Even

D) In spite

E) However

5 – Point Questions

Read the text. For each question (21-25), choose the correct answer.

THE BOY WHO INVENTED TV



Shortly after his fourteenth birthday, Philo Taylor Farnsworth had an idea which would shape the rest of his life.

Philo had no bigger wish than to be an inventor since the age of six. By the end of his life, he had more than 300 inventions to be happy about. Philo wasn't the first person to think of designing the first television set. But he was the first person to find a way to make it work. According to surviving

relatives, one day, as he was driving a horse-drawn agricultural machine on his family's farm in Idaho, Philo stopped and looked at the lines in the ground. He then came up with a system through which to transmit images by breaking them down into lines of electricity. It took many years before the first television transmission took place in 1927. However, Philo was not very enthusiastic about television becoming so popular. Only when he saw Neil Armstrong walking on the Moon in 1969 did he say to his wife: "Elma, this makes it all worth it!" Today, for better or worse, we cannot imagine life without television. We also know it is a great source of information, but it can also make us unhealthy if we spend too much time in front of it. In 1940, there were only a few hundred televisions in use in the United States and Americans mostly used the radio for following the news and entertainment. By 1949, the number of TV sets was one million and it is now estimated at about 121 million. And it all started with a boy who did not even have electricity until he was 14 years old.

21. When he got the idea of how to create television, Philo was

- A) fourteen
- D) sixteen

- B) fifteen
- E) six

- C) thirteen

22. We know how Philo got his idea from

- A) his friends
- D) his book

- B) his family members
- E) his teacher

- C) his fans

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23. Philo was first truly happy that he invented television

- A) in 1927 B) in 1940 C) in 1996
D) in 1969 E) in 1949

24. The text says that television

- A) is a good thing B) is a bad thing
C) can be both bad and good D) makes us healthier
E) is not a good source of information

25. The number of television sets in the USA

- A) decreased very much recently B) is small
C) is smaller now than in the past D) is now about 121 thousand
E) grew very quickly in the 1940s

For each question (26-30), read and choose the correct answer.

Hi Joe!

Sorry to write so late, but I just realized it is Tim's birthday party tomorrow and we promised to be there. That means we will have to watch Dune at the cinema some other time. How about next Saturday?

Write back soon,
Tom

26. What does Tom want?

- A) To invite Joe to Tim's party.
B) To arrange for another time to see a film.
C) To ask Joe what present to buy.
D) To go to a party next Saturday.
E) To invite Joe to the cinema.

27. What does the notice say?

- A) Kids get free pizza.
B) Families get all the food free.
C) Parents and children don't have to pay for dessert.
D) Pizzeria is open only for families with children.
E) Pizzeria is open on weekends.

Don Vito Pizzeria
opens
this weekend

Families with
children get free
dessert!

Tommy,

I am still at the school library. Can we meet for lunch at 13:00 after I finish my project?

See you!
Ted

28. **What does Ted want?**

- A) Ted wants to do his project with Tommy.
- B) Ted has a lot of work to do and won't have lunch.
- C) Ted wants to finish his project after lunch.
- D) Ted doesn't want to eat before he has finished his project.
- E) Ted asks Tommy to come to the library.

HISTORY MUSEUM TRIP

There are only 6 places left on the bus so those interested should let Mr. Jones know before Wednesday.

29. **What does the notice say?**

- A) Students should tell Mr. Jones if they want to go to the museum soon.
- B) The trip is on Wednesday.
- C) Only history students can go to the museum.
- D) Mr. Jones is taking students to the museum.
- E) Only 6 students are going to the museum.

30. **What does the notice say?**

- A) The café is open daily.
- B) The staff is friendly.
- C) The café is only open at weekends.
- D) There is discount for groups of friends.
- E) The food and drinks don't cost much.

Feel Good Café

Open weekdays
Friendly prices
Daily offers