

End-of-Term Test n°3**(COMMON TEST)****8th Form****School Year: 2024-2025****Date: May 27th, 2025****Student's name:****Student's Class: 8th form****I. READING COMPREHENSION (6 MARKS)****Read the text then answer the questions.**

1. Before Duke, my parents were always busy with work and I spent most of my time in my room. At school, I had lunch alone while others sat together and laughed. I had no friends. Then came Duke, a lovely brown dog. He followed me everywhere and jumped with joy when I came home. For the first time, someone was always happy to see me.
2. Duke was living with another family, but they didn't like him. They said he was sleeping all day and didn't greet them when they got home from work. It made Duke look too boring, and they abandoned him two months later. But Duke was simply well-behaved and barked so little.
3. Slowly, Duke worked his magic on my parents, too. We started walking him together, talking instead of just coexisting. He became our "family glue". Even neighbors stopped to greet him, and I started having real conversations. Every now and then, someone would ask, "Mark, how's Duke doing?" My dog changed my life.

*The Washington Post, August 15, 2024 (Adapted)***COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS****1. Tick (✓) the right option. (1 mark)**

The text is mainly about

- a. a dog that hated keeping others company. ☐
- b. a cheerful dog that was always sleeping. ☐
- c. a boy who spent good times with his dog. ☐

2. Answer the following question with reference to the text. (1 mark)

How long did Duke stay with the first family?

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3. Circle ☐ the most appropriate explanation. (1 mark)

Mark calls Duke the "family glue" (paragraph 3) because:

- a. He never leaves the family home.
- b. He helps the family stay together.
- c. He greets all the family neighbors.

4. What do the underlined words in the text refer to? (2 mark)

- a. he (paragraph 2) refers to
- b. We (paragraph 3) refers to

5. Provide a personal justified answer to the following question. (1 mark)

Do you like having pets at home? Why? Why not?

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II. LANGUAGE (8 MARKS)

1. Fill in the blanks with "4" words from the box. (2 marks)

yourself – on – don't – off – reusable – must

On Earth Day, and every day, you can all help protect the planet in simple ways. You may start by reducing what you use: taking bags every time you go shopping. You can recycle right, too: plastic bottles and paper go in the recycling bin, and save water by turning the tap while brushing your teeth. Most importantly! waste! Turn off lights when you leave a room, and only put in your plate the food that you will be able to finish. This way, you will save and others by doing very small actions!

2. Put the bracketed words in the right tense or form. (2 marks)

My love for plants began when my grandmother gave me my first small sapling. Whenever I forget to water it or move it into the sunlight, she gets (anger) and reminds me how important it is to care for plants. Grandmother started gardening when she was 13, just one year (old) than me. And now, she wants (prepare) me for the responsibility of growing plants. Last month, we planned a trip to a flower show in Glasgow, Scotland. When I (pack) my bag, Grandma smiled and said, "I'm happy you're learning to care for plants and trees. It's just the beginning."

3. Circle the right alternative. (2 marks)

When planning your holidays, finding good accommodation takes time. A single room in an inn is often (larger / cheaper / higher) than a room in a hotel. Hotels offer (comfortable / comfort / uncomfortable) services but they usually need bigger budgets. Don't forget to ask important questions before you book your room: "How (many / much / far) is my room from the swimming pool? When is dinner (serving / served / serving)? ..." Remember, your first trips will teach you much about accommodation in hotels.

4. Match the underlined utterances in column A with their corresponding functions in column B. Be careful there's one extra function in B. Write your answers in column C. (2 marks)

A	B	C
-Bank employee: Good morning! <u>How can I help you, Sir?</u>	a. Asking about duration	1+.....
-Customer: Hello. <u>How long does it take to get a loan, please?</u>	b. Expressing uncertainty	2+.....
-Bank employee: It usually takes about three weeks.	c. Offering help	3+.....
-Customer: Three weeks?! I need it sooner than that.	d. Expressing inability	4+.....
-Bank employee: Unfortunately, <u>we can't approve it before that date.</u>	e. Asking about time	
-Customer: Really? That's bad news.		
-Bank employee: Well, I'll see. <u>Maybe our manager will help you.</u>		
-Customer: Great! Thank you!		

III. WRITING (6 marks)

One of your classmates shared the following post on a discussion forum about family relationships:

"I think my parents only love my sister. I'm jealous and unhappy. Please, tell me what I can do."

Write a seven-line post in which you give your classmate advice about having good relationships with parents.

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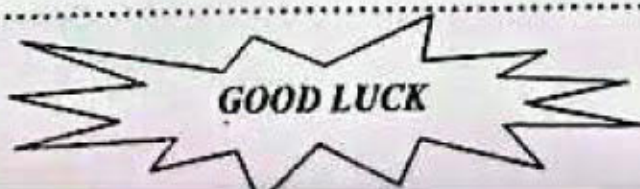
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COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

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The text is mainly about:

- ☐ a. a dog that hated keeping others company.
- ☐ b. a cheerful dog that was always sleeping.
- ☒ c. a boy who spent good times with his dog.

2. Answer the following question with reference to the text. (1 mark)

Question: How long did Duke stay with the first family?

Answer: Duke stayed with the first family for two months before they abandoned him.

3. Circle the most appropriate explanation.
(1 mark)

Mark calls Duke the “family glue” (paragraph 3) because:

- a. he never leaves the family home.
- ✓ b. he helps the family stay together.
- c. he greets all the family neighbors.

4. What do the underlined words in the text refer to? (2 marks)

- a. he (paragraph 2) refers to: Duke
- b. We (paragraph 3) refers to: Mark (the narrator) and his parents

5. Provide a personal justified answer to the following question. (1 mark)

Question: Do you like having pets at home? Why? Why not?

Sample Answer:

Yes, I like having pets at home because they provide companionship, teach responsibility, and bring a lot of joy and fun into the household.

OR

No, I don't like having pets at home because they require a lot of care, can be expensive, and limit spontaneity like travelling.

II. LANGUAGE (8 MARKS)

1. Fill in the blanks with 4 words from the box. (2 marks)

[yourself – on – don't – off – reusable – must]



Correct Paragraph:

On Earth Day, and every day, you can all help protect the planet in simple ways. You may start by reducing what you use: taking reusable bags every time you go shopping. You can recycle right, too: plastic bottles and paper go in the recycling bin, and save water by turning off the tap while brushing your teeth. Most importantly! don't waste! Turn off lights when you leave a room, and only put in your plate the food that you will be able to

finish. This way, you will save yourself and others by doing very small actions!

2. Put the bracketed words in the right tense or form. (2 marks)

anger → angry

old → older



prepare → to prepare

pack → packed

Corrected Text:

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3. Circle the right alternative. (2 marks)

A single room in an inn is often (larger / cheaper / higher)
→ cheaper

Hotels offer (comfortable / comfort / uncomfortable) services
→ comfortable

"How (many / much / far) is my room from the swimming pool?"

→ far

“When is dinner (serving / served / serving)?”

→ served



4. Match the underlined utterances in column A with their corresponding functions in column B. (2 marks)

Column A (Utterances) Column B
(Function) Column C (Answer)

How can I help you, Sir? c. Offering help
1 + c

How long does it take...? a. Asking
about duration 2 + a

It usually takes... e. Asking about time
3 + e

We can't approve it... d. Expressing
inability 4 + d

Maybe our manager will... b. Expressing uncertainty 5 + b

III. WRITING (6 MARKS)

Writing Task:

One of your classmates shared the following post on a discussion forum about family relationships:

"I think my parents only love my sister. I'm jealous and unhappy. Please, tell me what I can do."

Write a seven-line post in which you give your classmate advice about having good relationships with parents.

Model Answer:



Hey friend,
I'm sorry you're feeling this way. Try to talk openly with your parents about your feelings. Maybe they don't realize how hurt you are. Also, avoid comparing yourself to your sister—every child is unique. Spend more time with your family to build strong bonds. Be patient, kind, and show love to receive love. Things will improve with honesty and effort. You're not alone!

