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**DIRECTIONS**

Read the text and then answer the questions.

“Peter, did you walk Lucy today?” his mom asked. Peter was in charge of taking his dog for a walk. Lucy needed a walk every day. Even if it was a short walk, she needed her exercise. Peter had agreed to take care of Lucy when he asked for a puppy. He knew that pets were a lot of work. He did not care. Peter loved Lucy like a best friend.

**SCORE**

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1. What is this text about?

- (A) exercising
- (B) a boy and his dog
- (C) pets
- (D) friends

2. Who is the main character?

- (A) Lucy
- (B) Peter's mom
- (C) Lucy's mom
- (D) Peter

3. What word part could you add to the root *ask* to make a new word?

- (A) -es
- (B) -ly
- (C) -ing
- (D) -ful

4. What is the definition of *exercise*?

- (A) companionship
- (B) a physical workout
- (C) food
- (D) fetch

5. Which phrase is a simile from this text?

- (A) *in charge of*
- (B) *agreed to take care of*
- (C) *like a best friend*
- (D) *a lot of work*

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A talking parrot can be a very funny pet. Sometimes it may even scare you a bit. One night, I came home with my parents, and the living room was dark. Before we could turn on a light, we heard a voice call out our names. We were so scared because we thought there was a burglar in our house. It turned out to be our parrot greeting us. We laughed for a long time after that happened.

1. Which title would tell a reader more about this text?

- (A) Pirates and Their Birds
- (B) Scared by a Parrot
- (C) Is That a Burglar?
- (D) A Funny Story

4. Which word is a synonym for *greeting*?

- (A) pecking
- (B) yelling
- (C) welcoming
- (D) talking

2. Who is the narrator?

- (A) a child
- (B) a mother
- (C) a father
- (D) a parrot

5. Which word describes the tone of this text?

- (A) informative
- (B) serious
- (C) funny
- (D) false

3. Which word has the same vowel sound as *scare*?

- (A) score
- (B) spare
- (C) cane
- (D) rack

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Wade could barely sit still at school. All he could think about was what was going on at his house right now. Wade's mind was on his sweet dog, Mabel. Mabel was due to have puppies any minute. Wade's family had homes for all the babies already. The new owners were just waiting. Wade wondered if Mabel would deliver today. He thought about his pet the entire way home on the bus.

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**1.** Which picture would tell a reader more about this text?

- (A) a picture of a dog with puppies
- (B) a picture of a clock
- (C) a picture of a schoolhouse
- (D) a picture of a school bus

**2.** Which title best fits this text?

- (A) Mabel's Secret
- (B) Waiting for Puppies
- (C) Getting Ready
- (D) Hard to Wait

**3.** Which word is the root word in *going*?

- (A) ing
- (B) go
- (C) oing
- (D) goin

**4.** Which of these words are synonyms?

- (A) *barely* and *think*
- (B) *wondered* and *thought*
- (C) *sit* and *still*
- (D) *minute* and *today*

**5.** Which is an example of alliteration from the text?

- (A) sit still at school
- (B) his house
- (C) Wade wondered
- (D) all of the above

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## The Cutest Face in the World

The Ling family did not think they were going home with a pet that day. Annie wanted to visit the animal shelter. She wanted to see the cats and dogs. She had wanted a pet for years. Her parents were waiting for the girls to be old enough. Annie was seven. Her sister Lily was only three. Lily was still learning how to act around animals. She had a lot of energy!

Annie and Lily were excited to see the animals. A shelter volunteer gave the Ling family a tour. The volunteer talked about why animals came to the shelter. Some were found by the road. Others were dropped off by families who could not care for them.

Finally, the Ling family got to see the animals. There was a cat section and a dog section. They were all so cute! Some of the animals looked scared. This made Annie sad. The volunteer explained that animals need time to get used to a new place. She assured Annie that all the people caring for these animals were kind.

The Ling family walked through the dog section. They started talking. A dog just felt like the right choice. Annie's mom could not take her eyes off an older black dog with kind eyes. Annie's dad was interested in a large, energetic dog. Annie had found her own favorite. He was a young puppy. He was brown with spots. He had been found near the railroad track with six other puppies. Annie could not take her eyes off this dog. She thought he had the cutest face in the world.

Annie pleaded with her parents. They did not want to make a quick decision. Pets are a big responsibility. But they could see in Annie's eyes that she had found her companion. The volunteer talked about what a good breed the dog was and that he would be kind with children. That was what the family needed to hear. They had made up their minds! This little one was coming home!



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**DIRECTIONS**

Read "The Cutest Face in the World" and then answer the questions.

**SCORE**

1. Which statement summarizes the text?
- (A) Annie meets another child who has a cute face.
- (B) Annie has the cutest face in the world.
- (C) Annie meets her new dog, and he has the cutest face in the world.
- (D) Annie's family argues over who has the cutest face in the world.

2. The author would likely agree that
- (A) an animal shelter can be a good place to find a pet.
- (B) any pet can live with any family.
- (C) pets are easy to care for.
- (D) people should only adopt puppies.

3. Which statement shows a personal connection to the text?
- (A) My brother is allergic to dogs.
- (B) My family adopted our cat from a shelter.
- (C) Snakes make good pets.
- (D) I volunteer at my school.

4. What was the big change for the characters?
- (A) Annie and her mother finally agree on a pet.
- (B) The Ling family decided to volunteer at the shelter.
- (C) They wanted to wait to get a pet, but they met the right one on the tour.
- (D) They wanted a cat but chose a dog.

5. What message does this text share about adopting pets?
- (A) Finding the right pet for your family is important.
- (B) There are more cats up for adoption than dogs.
- (C) Adopting a pet is difficult.
- (D) Shelters do not have sweet animals for families.

6. Which title below indicates a similar text?
- (A) Falling in Love with a Stray Cat
- (B) Preparing for a Baby
- (C) Moving to a New House
- (D) Opening Presents

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## DIRECTIONS

Reread “The Cutest Face in the World.” Then, read the prompt and respond on the lines below.

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Think about how happy Annie must feel when she sees her future dog for the first time. When have you felt happy when something in your life was about to change? How would you describe that feeling?

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