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DIRECTIONS

Read the text and then answer the questions.

Luis needed a new suit. His aunt was getting married the next day. Luis and his mother went to the mall. They were shopping for new clothes. Luis was miserable. He was distracted. All he could think about was playing ball with his friends. He hated being inside on such a beautiful day.

1. When does the text take place?

- (A) on Luis's birthday
- (B) on a snowy day
- (C) on the day before a wedding
- (D) on the day of Luis's baseball practice

2. What is the main idea?

- (A) Luis has to shop when he would rather be outside playing ball.
- (B) Luis has an aunt who is getting married.
- (C) Luis likes to play ball.
- (D) It is a beautiful day.

3. What is the compound word in the text?

- (A) inside
- (B) married
- (C) mother
- (D) needed

4. What is the meaning of the word *miserable*?

- (A) lonely
- (B) very unhappy
- (C) skinny
- (D) confused

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Brady really wanted to learn how to ride his bike. All of his friends were able to ride bikes, and he felt excluded. Brady had been trying all summer. He was not having much luck. His dad suggested they go to the park. He thought the wide, open space would be helpful. He was right, and Brady rode right away!

1. What solution does Brady's dad suggest?

- ☐ (A) to practice on his bike more
- ☐ (B) to go to the park and practice in the wide, open space
- ☐ (C) to join his friends
- ☐ (D) to take a break

2. Which title best fits the text?

- ☐ (A) Keeping Up with Friends
- ☐ (B) Don't Give Up
- ☐ (C) Summer Fun
- ☐ (D) Bad Luck

3. What other word has the same suffix as *helpful*?

- ☐ (A) helping
- ☐ (B) wishful
- ☐ (C) full
- ☐ (D) helper

4. What is an example of a person being *excluded*?

- ☐ (A) a family having dinner together
- ☐ (B) a classmate not being picked for a game
- ☐ (C) two puppies playing together
- ☐ (D) a friend giving out party invitations

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Hannah read the newspaper. She was curious. Hannah learned about her town. She read about events on her street. She found out about a new stop sign. It was being placed on the corner. The newspaper taught Hannah about her community.

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Total**1.** What does Hannah read about in a newspaper?

- (A) her town
- (B) a school
- (C) a corner
- (D) a letter

3. Which word has the same root word as *placed*?

- (A) play
- (B) replace
- (C) lace
- (D) lacy

2. What is the most important idea about newspapers?

- (A) They write about stop signs.
- (B) They are good for children to read.
- (C) They tell people more about their community.
- (D) They are interesting for curious people.

4. Which is **not** found in a newspaper?

- (A) stories
- (B) photographs
- (C) advertisements
- (D) menus

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Save Our Park!

November 2, 2012

Dear Editor,

I have lived in Jackson my entire life. I go to Lake School. I am in second grade. I am writing this letter because I do not agree with your article. You wrote about the new shopping mall that will be built on First Street. I think it is exciting to have new things to do here. I just wish our city did not decide to get rid of Hardy Park. Why should we lose a park to get a mall?

Parks are important to everyone who lives here. Kids like to play in them. Adults can relax with their families. They are great places to walk dogs and get exercise. Grown-ups are always telling kids to get more exercise. Are we supposed to get our exercise at the mall now?

Shopping is fun. Exercise is important. I think it is a big mistake to get rid of our park. Some people say that our town has many other parks. This is true. But each park is important. Let us keep the park and find another spot for the mall.

Sincerely,

Jamie Smith



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Read "Save Our Park!" and then answer the questions.

SCORE**1.** Who might make a connection to the text?

- (A) a student who does not like the principal at Lake School
- (B) a radio announcer in Jackson
- (C) people who appreciate nature in their town or city
- (D) a girl who enjoys shopping at the mall

2. Jamie doesn't want the city to get ____ of a park.

- (A) rid
- (B) rig
- (C) rod
- (D) rad

3. What is one reason to keep Hardy Park?

- (A) Shopping is fun.
- (B) Parks are pretty.
- (C) People exercise at the park.
- (D) There are other parks.

4. Jamie's letter

- (A) impresses her teacher.
- (B) shares her opinions about parks.
- (C) stops the mall from being built.
- (D) gives her exercise.

5. What is Jamie's main point in her letter?

- (A) Jamie has lived in Jackson her entire life.
- (B) Hardy Park is old.
- (C) A park is more important to the town than a mall.
- (D) A mall keeps people from exercising.

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Reread the text "Save Our Park!"



Think about how Jamie decided to do something about her problem and how she wrote a letter to the newspaper to share her opinion.



Write about a problem you would like solved in your community. How would you describe the issue in a letter to the newspaper?

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