

"The Drive"

Reading Comprehension – Short Stories

Directions: Read the story. Then answer the questions below.

Gustavo works far away from his home.

He drives a car to work. It takes him 3 hours to get there.

Gustavo drives.

While he drives, he thinks about many things.

He thinks about his little girl. She likes to ride horses.

He thinks about his little boy. He plays fireman all the time.

He thinks about his wife. She milks the cows on the farm.

Gustavo thinks of things he needs to do when he gets home.

He needs to cut the grass. It is too long.

He needs to water the flowers so they will grow.

He wants to read a story to his little girl.

He wants to play a game with his little boy.

He wants to sit with his wife. He wants to tell her about his day.



Questions:

1) How does Gustavo get to work?

- A. by bus
- B. by car
- C. by horse
- D. by train

2) What does Gustavo do while he drives?

- A. He sings.
- B. He talks.
- C. He thinks.
- D. He works.

Questions (continued):

3) What does Gustavo think about while he drives?

- I. his work
- II. his wife
- III. his little boy

- A. I only
- B. I and II
- C. II and III
- D. I, II, and III

4) How long does it take Gustavo to get to work?

- A. 15 minutes
- B. 30 minutes
- C. 2 hours
- D. 3 hours

5) What does Gustavo's little girl like to do?

- A. milk cows
- B. play fireman
- C. ride horses
- D. water flowers

6) What does Gustavo's little boy like to do?

- A. milk cows
- B. play fireman
- C. ride horses
- D. water flowers

7) What does Gustavo **need** to do when he gets home?

- I. milk the cows
- II. cut the grass
- III. water the flowers

- A. I only
- B. I and II
- C. II and III
- D. I, II, and III

8) What does Gustavo **want** to do when he gets home?

- I. sit with his wife
- II. read to his little girl
- III. play a game with his little boy

- A. I only
- B. I and II
- C. II and III
- D. I, II, and III

9) Why does Gustavo **need** to cut the grass?

- A. So it will grow.
- B. It is too brown.
- C. It is too long.
- D. It is too old.

10) What does Gustavo **need** to water when he gets home?

- A. the grass
- B. the cows
- C. the horses
- D. the flowers

Beginning Forming Questions – “To be”

Directions: Use the words on the left to form questions.

Example: you are coming ? → Are you coming?



1. your house nice is ? → _____

2. name her is Annie ? → _____

3. you are going the to beach ? → _____

4. Bobby getting his hair cut is ? → _____

5. are home you at ? → _____

6. the concert tonight is ? → _____

7. we are yet there ? → _____

8. feeling Ella sick today is ? → _____



● Sentence Completion 7 *(low-beginning level)*

Directions: Choose the best word to complete each sentence.

1) I like _____ soccer.

- A. to play
- B. to eat
- C. to sing
- D. to make

2) I like _____ chicken.

- A. to eat
- B. to play
- C. to make
- D. to talk

3) I like _____ songs.

- A. to eat
- B. to run
- C. to sing
- D. to cook

4) She likes _____ movies.

- A. to talk
- B. to watch
- C. to sing
- D. to jump

5) He likes _____ at parties.

- A. to sleep
- B. to watch
- C. to make
- D. to dance

6) We want _____ water.

- A. to cook
- B. to drink
- C. to work
- D. to walk

7) They want _____ to the mall.

- A. to go
- B. to make
- C. to cook
- D. to talk

8) You like _____ new people.

- A. to sleep
- B. to read
- C. to cook
- D. to meet

9) Jason likes _____ to people.

- A. to look
- B. to cook
- C. to sleep
- D. to talk

10) Molly is tired. She wants _____.

- A. to sing
- B. to walk
- C. to sleep
- D. to work

• Word Definition 2 Level 2**Directions:** Choose the answer choice that best defines the word in capital letters.**1) BREAD**

- A. a kind of food
- B. a kind of drink
- C. a kind of meal

6) HEAVY

- A. not strong
- B. not big
- C. not light

2) CLEAR

- A. something dirty
- B. something see through
- C. something old

7) TINY

- A. very big
- B. very heavy
- C. very small

3) GIANT

- A. very small
- B. very large
- C. very clean

8) REMOVE

- A. to begin
- B. to take away
- C. to end

4) CHINESE

- A. is a state
- B. is a flag
- C. is a language

9) MALL

- A. a place to shop
- B. a place to pray
- C. a place to play

5) JANUARY

- A. a month
- B. a year
- C. a week

10) CHEF

- A. someone who drives
- B. someone who teaches
- C. someone who cooks

Intermediate Matching – Road Signs

Directions: Draw a line from pictures to their words.



1) Stop Ahead



2) Keep Right



3) School Zone or School Crossing



4) No Right Turn



5) Handicapped Parking



6) No U-Turn



7) Hospital



8) Railroad Crossing



● Sentence Completion 8 *(high-beginning level)*

Directions: Choose the best word(s) to complete each sentence.

1. My brother is my mother's _____.
 - A. son
 - B. daughter
 - C. father
 - D. nephew
2. _____ have two wheels. Cars have _____.
 - A. bicycles ... four
 - B. trucks ... three
 - C. buses ... four
 - D. boats ... two
3. Stephen is sick, so his mother is going to the _____ to buy him some medicine.
 - A. farm
 - B. school
 - C. pharmacy
 - D. theater
4. Rita has two siblings. One is her sister, and the other is her _____.
 - A. cousin
 - B. brother
 - C. child
 - D. husband
5. During the summer, my family goes to the _____. Although the water is cold, we swim in the _____ there.
 - A. city ... library
 - B. forest ... trees
 - C. beach ... ocean
 - D. mountains ... snow
6. My _____ brother is my _____.
 - A. aunt's ... wife
 - B. grandmother's ... nephew
 - C. daughter's ... cousin
 - D. father's ... uncle
7. Margo enforces the law, protects the citizens, and carries a gun to work. She is _____.
 - A. a fire fighter
 - B. a police officer
 - C. a teacher
 - D. a construction worker
8. You use your _____ to _____.
 - A. legs ... run
 - B. hands ... sleep
 - C. mouth ... move
 - D. ears ... breathe
9. The father of my mother is my _____.
 - A. nephew
 - B. uncle
 - C. godmother
 - D. grandfather
10. My _____ has three children: my brother, my sister, and me.
 - A. stepsister
 - B. son
 - C. friend
 - D. mother



Exercise 12

Past Tense

Name _____

Date _____

Fill in the spaces with the correct form of the verb in parentheses in **simple past tense**.
Some verbs are regular and some are irregular. Some sentences use forms of the words “do” and “not” after the verb to make the sentence negative.

Note: Some irregular verbs do not change their spelling in the simple past tense.

Example: Chuck (send) sent the mail. He (do, not, remember) did not remember the letter.

Example: The driver (move) moved his truck; he (want) wanted to make room for the cars.

- 1) The dog (bite) _____ the neighbor. The neighbor (call) _____ the police.
- 2) My sister (hang) _____ the picture on Saturday. I (tell) _____ her that I (do, not, like) _____ it.
- 3) Sam always (like) _____ to play soccer with his friends. Some of his friends (be) _____ from Mexico. They (play) _____ very well.
- 4) The Johnson family (fly) _____ in a plane last week. They (go) _____ to Denver to ski.
- 5) The cooler (hold) _____ water for thirsty runners at the race. There (be, not) _____ enough for everyone.
- 6) I (do, not, think) _____ that color was pretty. It (look) _____ mud to me, so I (pick) _____ a different color.
- 7) The children (dig) _____ a deep hole in the sand. The (play) _____ at the beach all afternoon.
- 8) She (do, not, plant) _____ tomatoes this year. Her tomatoes (die) _____ last year before they (grow) _____ very much.
- 9) The store (sell) _____ a lot of televisions in December. People (want) _____ to give them as Christmas presents.
- 10) The prisoner (leave) _____ the jail early; he (do, not, serve) _____ his full sentence.

