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Test 1:

Task 1

Your friend wants to learn a foreign language but he doesn't know where to start. Advise him about what he can do to achieve his goal.

Answer:

Hi, Bob! I know you want to learn Spanish because you often go for your vacations to Mexico and you need to communicate with people. As I have studied English, I can give you advice.

I recommend you to start improving your success with learning some vocabulary words. There are so many apps you can use with your cell phone or computer that help to study words easily with fun.

You can also try to listen a lot. Listen to stories; watch the news and TV shows, your favorite films and so on.

Next what you want to do is reading. Read your lovely books, novels, magazines, articles. The main point of it is that you need to read something you are interested in and choose the text that you can understand about 90%. And finally, I suggest practicing speaking. Speak Spanish to your friends and family or find somebody you can talk to online.

I hope I was able to help. Good luck!"

P.S. You can also try to apply this text to another similar task, such as when somebody needs to study something, or do reports for work, or give a speech. So, advise them again to prepare for their tasks by listening, reading and practicing accordingly to their fields.

Task 2

Talk about your favorite place you love to go again and again. Why this place became so special for you?

Answer:

"There is a beautiful restaurant called Millennium where I would like to come back again and again. It is in the Alps, Switzerland.

A few years ago my older brother, our friends and I took a trip to the mountains. One sunny day, we arrived in a small village and after a walk and some skiing, we came to that restaurant for dinner.

I was so impressed. This place was designed in the old-fashioned style with oak tables and chairs, stone stoves and hand-made decorations.

We enjoyed our delicious cheese fondue and sausages with root vegetables baked in cute pots and admired the incredible view outside.

It was the best place I have ever been to."

P.S. So, as you see in this story, I combined a few topics into one: lovely place, a trip, spending time with friends, favorite food. You can remake this story: take out something, add something, depends on what you need to tell about. For instance, if you have to speak about spending time with your friends, you can tell how you were having your dinner and somebody tried cheese fondue at the first time and everybody was joking and laughing.

Task 3:

Describe some things that are happening in the picture below as well as you can. The person with whom you are speaking cannot see the picture.



Answer:

“This is a scene of a nice park in a village. There are many kids playing in this park. It looks like it’s a sunny warm fall evening.

In the background, I can see a beautiful sunset. There are a few tiny houses scattered among the green hills with tall pine trees between them.

There is a walkway in the center of the picture. Some children are skating down the walkway. Behind them one boy is playing with a radio controlled car, another boy is flying a kite.

There are two girls under the tree, on the right side of the picture. One of them is painting a picture and the other girl is reading a book.

On the left side of the picture, on the grass, kids are playing. One boy is riding a bicycle and a blonde girl is playing the guitar.

There are lots of things going on in this park.”

Task 4

In this picture, what do you think will most probably happen next?



Answer:

"I guess what will probably happen is the black boy who is on a skateboard is going to fall down and injure his elbow. But he won't weep with pain. He will jump on his skateboard and ride ahead.

The little boy on the bicycle is going to ride up the hill. It might be pretty hard for him because that hill is high enough. But another boy with orange hair who is reading a book will run up to him and push the bicycle with the friend on it. They will succeed.

Suddenly, there will be a high wind that may catch the kite into the sky. The kid who was flying that kite would probably be super excited. All children will leave their works because they are going to be busy watching the kite in the sky."

Task 5

You have a special family event coming soon, where are going to be many guests, and you must choose a place to celebrate it. You find two suitable options. Using the pictures and information below, choose the option that you prefer.

In the next section, you will need to persuade your family members that your choice is the better choice.

Let's say that you chose the place on the left picture and your family is suggesting another location. Persuade your family members that what you chose is more suitable by comparing the two.



Stunning restaurant

- \$25,000
- live band from 7:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m.
- family-style reception dinner
- videographer

Backyard party

- \$20,000
- live band from 5:00 p.m. to 11:00 a.m.
- buffet-style dinner
- photographer and videographer

Answer:

"Hi, mom and dad! I see that you would like to celebrate this special day in our backyard, and I think that would be a good choice. But in my opinion, the restaurant is going to be much better. Here are some reasons why I think so:

The restaurant is offering a killer view of the waterfront, so our guests will be more impressed the amazing atmosphere and unforgettable time.

The menu boasts plenty of seafood and premium steaks and that's going to make our dinner more enjoyable and special.

The musicians play right after supper until midnight, so it might be a better time for dances and it seems to be longer.

Even so, it's more expensive, but it still fits our budget."

Task 6

Your son Tom asks you to buy him a dog. But you have just moved into the apartment that has a no-pet policy.

Choose one:

Either Talk to your son Tom and explain why you cannot buy him a dog.

Or

Talk to a building manager and explain why he should allow your son to adopt a dog.

Answer:

“My dear Tom! I completely understand your desire and needs of having a dog, but unfortunately, you can’t get it now.

First of all, because we have some rules we need to follow while living in this apartment. In addition to that, as you know, I’m temporarily unemployed.

Buying and having the dog requires spending money on it, and we don’t have much right now.

Instead of taking the dog let’s spend more time together, have some fun. You won’t feel lonely with me!

I hope for your comprehension and accepting my reasons.”

Task 7:

If the question is about the education system.

Answer:

“What I really believe is that we have to change our education. I’m not suggesting that we have to throw out everything that schools do now, but I’m suggesting we have to try different things and look what works.

Now, our schools are focusing on tests and they are preparing people for more school, not for real life.

We’re not living in 19-th or 20-th century anymore. We’re not preparing kids for factories now. We need kids and adults who can communicate, who can stand up in front of a group and communicate with intelligence and passion. People who can create things, who can build teams, who are experts and leaders, who know how to find knowledge and use it. Not just memorize things and take tests.

We need education that is focusing on the human being and prepare people for real life.

That’s my point of view on this type of the question.”

Task 8:

You see a painting at an art exhibit that you would like to buy, but you are not allowed to take a photo. Phone a family member and provide a clear description of the painting and ask if you can buy this painting.



Answer:

"Hi, mom! I'm at our local art gallery and I'm looking at a magnificent painting that can fit well to my little sister's room. I would like to describe it for you.

In the center of the picture, there is a gorgeous little girl sleeping on a stripy rag on the green grass among fluffy white clouds. Her snowy shaggy hair scattered around her and three red-headed cats resting on the hair. Another two kittens are sitting before her on the grass. There are also some blue flowers in the hair.

Her bright blue pajamas go well with her beautiful delicate face with long lashes and plump lips.

I feel a slight hesitation in buying this painting, so I'm asking your opinion."