Reading

In this section, you will learn how to:

- •know the structure of a descriptive text;
- •read a short functional text in the form of school' regulation.

After learning the lesson in this section, you are expected to be able to:

- •identify the structure of a descriptive text;
- •get meanings of a short functional text in the form of school' regulation.

Practice 1

Answer these questions before you read the text.



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- 1. What do you know about adolescence?
- 2. From what age did you start to have adolescence?
- 3. What physical changes occur during adolescence?
- 4. What was the most unforgetable experience during your adolescence?
- 5. Did your friends get through their adolescence almost the same as you're?
- 6. What did your parents do during your adolescence?
- 7. Did they help you? How?

8. What about your sister or your brother? Did they support you to get

through your adolescence?

Practice 2

Read the text carefully.





Last night, I read an article about adolescence in a magazine. I learned that it was a time of change between childhood and adulthood.

After I finished reading the article from the magazine, I remembered my own adolescence. I was fourteen at that time. I felt very emotional about everything. But I tried to learn more about myself. I tried to discover what I wanted to do, and what kind of people I wanted to be.

To divert my emotions, I took many extra curricular activities. I took piano lessons on Mondays. On Tuesdays, I joined an English course. Then on Wednesdays and Thursdays, I had extra science and math lessons. Fridays, it was my time to play basketball with my friends. Finally, I spent most of my weekends with my family.

I was able to control my emotions and to have a place where I could express my creativity in positive ways.

Practice 3



If you want to discuss about teen health and problems, check this web site:

www.teenhealthtalk.org

Answer the following questions based on the text in Practice 2.

- 1. Where did the writer nd out about adolescence?
- 2. What is adolescence?
- 3. Is adolescence a period of physical growth only?
- 4. How old was the writer when he experienced adolescence?
- 5. How did it make him feel?
- 6. What did the writer do to divert his emotions?
- 7. When did the writer spend the days with his family?
- 8. Did the writer bene t from the activities?

Note

Characteristics of Recount Text

- A recount text is a text that telling the reader about one story, action or activity. Its goal is to entertaining or informing the reader.
- Orientation tells who was involved, what happened, where the events took place, and when it happened.
 Example: Last night, I read an article about adolescence in a magazine.
- Events (event 1 and 2) tell what happened and in what sequence.
 - Example: After I finished reading the article, I remembered my own adolescence; To divert my emotions, I took many extra curricular activities.
- Reorientation consists of optional-closure of events/ ending.
 - Example: I was able to control my emotions and to have a place where I could express my creativity in positive ways.
- The features are including Who? Where? When? Why?, noun or pronoun, and past tense.
 Examples: I, at home, last night, a magazine, I took....