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#### Passage 3: The Nature of Sharing in Children

Children are resistant to giving something to someone. One can observe this difference clearly in very young children. Even though one-and-a-half-year-olds will support each other in difficult situations, they are not willing to share their own toys with others. The little ones even defend their possessions with screams and, if necessary, blows. This is the daily experience of parents troubled by constant quarreling between toddlers. There was no word I heard more frequently than 'Mine!' from my babies when they were still in diapers.

1. What is the main theme discussed in the passage regarding children's behavior?
Answer:
2. Correct the grammatical mistake in the sentence: 'The little ones even defend their possessions with screams and, if necessary, blow.'
Answer:
3. Rewrite the sentence 'Children are resistant to giving something' using a passive structure.
Answer:
4. Why do children react aggressively when it comes to sharing, according to the passage?
Answer:
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5. What does the passage suggest about the developmental stages of sharing in children?

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Answer:
6. Which of the following is NOT mentioned as a common reaction of children to sharing?
A. Crying
B. Screaming
C. Hitting
D. Walking away
E. Negotiating
7. Choose the correct form: 'They (support/supports) each other in difficult situations.' (Grammar)
A. support
B. supports
8. What can be inferred about the author?s perspective on parenting challenges?
A. They find it amusing.
B. They find it overwhelming.
C. They are frustrated by it.
D. They are indifferent to it.
E. They are amused by it.
9. Which of the following best captures the tone of the passage?
A. Playful
B. Concerned
C. Sympathetic
D. Critical
E. Nostalgic

10. Explain the role of social interaction in early childhood development, based on the passage.

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Answer:
11. Why does the author emphasize the word 'Mine!' in the passage?
A. It reflects children's desire for ownership.
B. It reflects their understanding of fairness.
C. It indicates selfishness.
D. It suggests they are more independent.
E. It shows emotional immaturity.
12. What conclusion can be drawn about the relationship between children?s age and the
willingness to share?
A. Younger children are less willing to share.
B. Older children are less willing to share.
C. Sharing is difficult at all ages.
D. Sharing improves with age.
E. There is no correlation between age and sharing.
13. Transform the sentence 'Parents are troubled by quarreling between toddlers' into a passive
voice.
Answer:
14. What might be a possible consequence of failing to address aggressive behaviors in early childhood?
15. Based on the passage, how can parents encourage positive sharing behaviors in children?
Answer:

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#### **Explanations**

- 1. The main point of the passage is to emphasize the importance of not reacting too quickly in stressful situations.
- 2. Quick responses can cause problems because technology allows for immediate communication, which may lead to thoughtless reactions.
- 3. For our ancestors, quick responses were crucial for survival in dangerous situations, such as attacks by wild animals.
- 4. The author shares a personal experience of making situations worse by responding too quickly in emails.
- 5. The phrase 'step back' implies taking a moment to calm down and reflect before reacting.
- 6. The author suggests handling stressful situations by taking a moment to pause and think before responding.
- 7. The author implies that technology, especially in communication, contributes to quick, unreflective responses.
- 8. Quick responses are less helpful today because most modern situations do not require immediate reactions for survival.
- 9. The author gives the example of responding too harshly in emails, which worsened the situation.
- 10. Taking time before reacting allows for more thoughtful and controlled responses, leading to better outcomes.
- 11. In digital communication, such as emails or texts, taking a moment to reflect before responding can prevent misunderstandings.
- 12. Dealing with the other person in a healthier manner refers to engaging in calm and thoughtful communication.

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- 13. The author advises slowing down and thinking before reacting, especially in stressful conversations.
- 14. A possible consequence of not following this advice is worsening the situation by reacting impulsively.
- 15. The author's tone is reflective and emphasizes the importance of mindful communication for better outcomes.