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[Q]

**Read the following passage and choose A, B, C or D that best completes the unfinished statement (or best answers the question) about the passage (01-** TDTLD2021)**.**

**ROCK BAND**

Two years ago, our 14-year-old son, Ben, asked us for a set of drums for his birthday. At first, we were very much against the idea because of the noise. ‘It’s better than watching television or playing computer games in my free time,’ Ben argued, “and it’ll keep me out of trouble”. In the end, we gave in. ‘All right’, we said, ‘but you must consider the rest of the family and the neighbors when you play”

That was the just the beginning. Because drums are not the easiest instruments to transport, the other members of Ben’s band started appearing at our home with their guitars and other electrical equipment. And so, for several hours a week, the house shakes to the noise of their instruments and their teenage singing.

At least, Ben’s hobby has been good for our health: whenever the band start practicing, my husband and I go out for a long walk. And I must admit that, although their music may sound a little strange, they are a friendly and polite group of young men. I cannot judge their musical skill – after all I didn’t expect my parents’ generation to like the same music as I did when I was a teenager – but they do play regularly in local clubs for young people.

Our main worry is that they won’t spend enough time on their school work because of their musical activities, though this hasn’t happened yet. I’m always stressing to Ben how important his studies are. But one thing is certain – Ben was right: it has keep him out of trouble, and he is never bored.

[Q]

16- What is the writer trying to do in this text?

0. complain about her son’s friends.

0. give advice to teenagers.

1. describe her son’s hobby

0. compare herself to her parents.

[Q]

17- Why did the writer give Ben the present he wanted?

0. She wanted to reward him for working hard.

0. He already had too many computer games.

0. She knew he would use it sensibly.

1. He persuaded her it would be a good idea.

[Q]

18- Why do the band always practice at Ben’s house?

1. It’s difficult for Ben to move his drums.

0. The neighbors don’t mind the noise.

0. Ben’s parents enjoy listening to them.

0. They can leave their equipment there.

[Q]

19- What does the writer say about the band members?

0. Their influence on her son worries her.

1. Their taste in music is different from her.

0. They play their instruments well.

0. They avoid any contact with her

[Q]

20- What might the writer say to her son?

0. Your teacher has just phoned. He wants to know why you weren’t at school today.

0. When are you playing at the club next? Dad and I would love to come along.

0. If you don’t know what to do with yourself, there’s a good programme on the television in a few minutes.

1. Are you sure you’ve finished your homework? It’s more important than band practice.

[Q]

**Read the following passage and choose A, B, C or D that best completes the unfinished statement (or best answers the question) about the passage (02-** TDTLD2021)**.**

**The Young Achiever of the Year**

Kal Kaur has always been interested in fashion and has just won the title of *Young Achiever of the Year* at the Asian Business Awards. Ever since she was a child, she has drawn clothes and designed pattern. She never told her hard-working parents, who own a supermarket that she wanted to turn her hobby into a career. She thought they expected her to go into a more establish business, so she went to university to do a management degree.

After university, she moved to London and worked in an advertising agency. She had to attend industry events but couldn’t afford the designer clothes she liked. She started making skirts and tops for herself. When her friends saw her clothes, they asked her to make things for them. She then found a small shop in London willing to take her designs on a sale-or-return basis. They were very popular and nothing came back. This encouraged her to leave her advertising job, take out a £20,000 loan and begin her own women’s wear label.

Kal’s parents were not angry about her career change and said they would support her, which really pleased her. Her clothes are now on sale in over 70 stores and her business has an income of over £500,000. Her clothes appear in fashion magazines, she designs for pop stars, and she has just gained public recognition by winning this award. Her business has come a long way and she knows she is extremely lucky. “What I do is my hobby - and I get paid for it. But remember, I’ve worked hard for this”.

[Q]

16- What is the writer trying to do in this text?

0. encourage fashion designers to make better business plans.

0. compare a job in fashion with other choices of career.

0. give detail of recent changes in the fashion industry

1. explain how a woman set up a fashion business.

[Q]

17- What does the reader learn about Kal’s parents?

0. They wanted Kal to help them run the family business.

1. They did not realize Kal wanted to work in fashion.

0. They insisted Kal should continue with her job in advertising.

0. They did not think Kal worked hard enough at university.

[Q]

18- Kal decided to borrow £20,000 when \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. All her clothes in the London shop were sold.

0. Her friends asked her to make clothes for them.

0. She lost her job at the advertising agency.

0. The fashion industry was in a period of growth.

[Q]

19- What does Kal say about her career?

0. She plans to open more stores.

1. She believes that she deserves her success.

0. She particularly enjoys designing for famous people.

0. She expects more people to buy her clothes after the award.

[Q]

20- What might Kal say about her career?

0. My management degree has helped me more than anything else. It’s so important that young people interested in fashion can deal with money.

0. I’ve learnt so much working for other fashion designers. Without this experience, I couldn’t have started my own business.

1. Running a fashion business is a dream come true and my parents being happy with my choice makes it even more special.

0. Even when I was at university, my friends liked the clothes I made. This encouraged me to think about a career in fashion.

[Q]

**Read the following passage and choose A, B, C or D that best completes the unfinished statement about the passage (03-** TDTLD2021)**.**

The sun was going down beyond great banks of cloud which were full of orange-pink light. It would usually be time for Joe to be going in, but he didn’t want to go back if Aunt Daisy and Uncle Ted were still there, because his mother would only send him straight to bed out of the way. So he turned away from home and walked down the lane past the football field, kicking a stone before him at the risk of scratching the toes of his best brown shoes. A couple of dogs, one large, black and smooth-haired, the other smaller with a long black and white coat, played on the edge of the field, running round, jumping at each other and sometimes rolling over and over together, totally content in each other’s company.

Joe watched them for a moment or two and walked on. Twenty minutes later he was on the riverside and halfway round the circle he had set out to walk from the town and back again. On his way he had passed several couples and one or two family groups returning from their Sunday evening walk; but now there was no one about except one man resting on the grass between the path and the river bank. When Joe realised that it was his father, his surprise was so great that he stopped. Then his father, who had been leaning on his arm and looking into the river, looked round, but did not seem surprised to see him.

“Hello Joe”, he said dully. He went back to staring at the river. The fact that he was wearing his best clothes somehow added to the strangeness of his sitting there alone like this, and as Joe looked at him he was conscious for the first time of a sense of his father as not his father, but as someone without connection with himself: as a man, with thoughts and feelings outside their existence as father and son. He saw, for the first time, his father as a person carrying about with him a world of his own, and he had an indefinite sense of this world of his father’s extending back to a time and a life before he himself was born. He was only a part of his father’s world, while his father belonged in the centre of his, Joe’s world. And things were far from well in his father’s world, he knew.

He moved a few steps nearer, and his father did not look at him. “They’re all at home, wondering where you are”, said Joe.

[Q]

16- Joe didn’t go straight home because he \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

0. didn’t want to see Aunt Daisy and Uncle Ted.

0. wanted to find his father first.

0. wanted to watch the two dogs playing.

1. didn’t want to go to bed immediately.

[Q]

17- Instead of going home Joe went \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

0. on to the football field.

0. through some fields.

1. along the bank of the river.

0. half-way to the town.

[Q]

18- When Joe had completed half his intended walk he \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. saw a man sitting by himself.

0. passed a couple of people.

0. went back to the town.

0. met some family groups.

[Q]

19- When Joe’s father saw Joe, he \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

0. sat down on the grass.

1. didn’t seem very interested in him.

0. looked round at the river.

0. went back to the river.

[Q]

20- That evening Joe realised that \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

0. he hardly knew his father at all.

0. he had not seen his father wearing those clothes before.

0. he had never really loved his father.

1. his father had a life of his own.