**Assessment Task for Reading**

**Topic: Doting Parents**

This assessment task focuses on developing senior secondary students’ reading skills.

This set of materials contains the following:

* **The reading text**
* **A set of questions**
* **Suggested answers**

**Reading Texts**

A

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| **Comics and Toy Fair**  The perfect day out for all the family.  The third annual Comics and Toy Fair is bigger and better this year!  Six days of the world’s best comics, toys and computer games.  Central Exhibition Hall  Open 9.00 a.m. – 5.30 p.m. Monday – Friday,  10.00 a.m. – 8.00 p.m. Saturday and Sunday  Entrance: free  “I’m looking forward to this year’s fair as it is the best in town. I’ve been there both years and I haven’t been disappointed. There is always something new and exciting to look at. Make sure you bring some money as you’ll definitely want to buy something!” May Wong *On-line Review* | 5  10 |

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| ***Guided Walks in Green Tree Country Park***  These free treks are for young people aged from 10 to 14 years old. A knowledgeable guide takes you on a five-kilometre walk through the forest and shows you trees, plants and animals.  The walks start at 10.30 a.m. daily during the school holidays.  Please bring a bottle of water and wear suitable clothes.  For lunch, you can buy snacks and drinks near the park. | 5 |

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| **City Hall**  The History of ChildhooD  An exhibition of 20th century toys. Come and see the dolls, board games and computer games your parents, grandparents and great-grandparents played with.  This is a serious, historical exhibition. Most of the exhibits are locked in glass cases and, although there is a special area where visitors can try some of the toys, it is not suitable for children under six years old.  **Open weekends only from 10.00 a.m. to 5.30 p.m. Entrance: under eighteen $15, adults $20** | 5  10 |

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| **Cineplex**  Saturday Morning Junior Film Club  Come and see your favourite films every Saturday morning at 10.30.  Showing this month:   * Saturday 4th Kung Fu Panda * Saturday 11th Pirates of the Caribbean: At World’s End * Saturday 18th The Golden Compass * Saturday 25th The Spiderwick Chronicles   ++++ cartoons every week  Visit our website for this year’s complete programme.  All tickets $10.  Children aged 7 to 12 only. | 5  10 |

**END OF READING TEXTS**

**Questions**

**Reading the texts and answer Questions 1-5. Write your answers in the spaces provided. For multiple-choice questions, choose the best answer and blacken ONE circle only.**

1. Match the headings with the advertisements. One has been done for you.

**Heading Advertisement(s)**

a) Outdoor activities \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

b) Entertainment and leisure \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

c) Exhibitions A

1. Complete the table with information from the advertisements. The first one has been done for you.

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|  | What | Where | When | Age group | Price/s |
| a) | Comics and Toy Fair | **Central Exhibition Hall** | **Monday - Sunday** | **all** | **free** |
| b) | Guided Walks |  |  |  |  |
| c) | The History of Childhood |  |  |  |  |
| d) | Junior Film Club |  |  |  |  |

1. Are the sentences true (T) or false (F)? The first one has been done for you.

|  | T | F |
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| a) You can go to the Comics and Toy Fair on Wednesday evening. |  | ✓ |
| b) May Wong has always enjoyed the Comics and Toy Fair. |  |  |
| c) May Wong will go to the Comics and Toy Fair this year. |  |  |
| d) There is a cafe in the park. |  |  |
| e) You can play with some of the toys at the History of Childhood exhibition. |  |  |
| f) Babies will enjoy the History of Childhood exhibition. |  |  |
| g) You can go to the Junior Film Club on any Saturday |  |  |

1. Find the words in A in the advertisements. Match them with the meanings in B. The first one has been done for you.

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|  | **A** |  | **B** |
| a) | knowledgeable |  | a walk in the countryside |
| b) | forest |  | a list of theatre or cinema performances |
| c) | annual |  | describing younger people |
| d) | trek |  | an area of trees |
| e) | daily |  | every year |
| f) | programme |  | every day |
| g) | junior |  | knowing a lot about something |

1. These people all want to do something next week. Decide which event is best for each person. The first one has been done for you.
   1. **Bill** is fourteen. He is staying with his grandparents next week and they want to do something together. Bill’s family isn’t interested in history.
   2. **Alice** is doing a school project about children in the 1950s. She is very interested in the past and loves going to museums.
   3. **Grace** is twelve years old. She is active and she likes being outside learning about nature.
   4. **Dan** wants to do something with his friends on Saturday before lunch. They all love watching DVDs.

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|  | Bill | Alice | Dan | Grace |
| Comics and Toy Fair | ✓ |  |  |  |
| Guided Walks |  |  |  |  |
| The History of Childhood |  |  |  |  |
| Junior Film Club |  |  |  |  |

**END OF QUESTIONS**

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| **Suggested Answers** |
| 1. Outdoor activities B   Entertainment and leisure D  Exhibitions C |
| 2.   |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | What | Where | When | Age group | Price/s | | Guided Walks | *Green Tree Country Park* | *Starts at 10.30 a.m. daily (during school holidays)* | *10-14* | *free* | | The History of Childhood | *City Hall* | *Weekends (10 a.m. to 5.30 p.m.) / Saturdays & Sundays (10 a.m. to 5.30 p.m.)* | *6 or above* | *Under eighteen: $15; adults: $20* | | Junior Film Club | *Cineplex* | *Saturday morning (at 10.30) / 10.30 a.m. every Saturday* | *7-12* | *$10* | |
| 3. b) T |
| c) T |
| d) F |
| e) T |
| f) F |
| g) T |
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| |  |  | | --- | --- | | b) forest: | an area of trees | | c) annual: | every year | | d) trek: | a walk in the countryside | | e) daily: | every day | | f) programme: | a list of theatre or cinema performances | | g) junior: | describing younger people | |
| 5.   |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | |  | Alice | Dan | Grace | | Guided Walks |  |  | ✓ | | The History of Childhood | ✓ |  |  | | Junior Film Club |  | ✓ |  | |

**END OF SUGGESTED ANSWERS**