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# Young Lives School Survey - Peru

## Reading Comprehension Exercises

### 5th grade

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INSTRUCTIONS
READING COMPREHENSION

- Read each question carefully and answer the best you can.
- If you take too long on a question, go to the next one. When you finish you can go back to the ones you haven’t answered.
- Mark all your answers in the booklet.

You will find several types of questions in the booklet. Let’s take a look:

Question 1

There are questions in which you will have to look at a picture first and then mark the word that relates to the picture. There is only one correct answer.

Example:
1. Mark with an X the word that relates to the picture.

   ![Image](image1.png)

   A) stock  B) sock  C) stick  D) sick

Question 2

There are also questions in which you will have to read a sentence first and then mark the picture that better relates to the sentence. There is only one correct answer.

Example:
2. The broken glass.

   ![Image](image2.png)

   A)  B)  C)  D)
Question 3

In this type of question you will have to draw a line to relate words or sentences with the corresponding picture.

Example:
Draw a line to connect the sentence with the picture that best relates to it.

3. **Julio runs.**

   A)  
   B)  
   C)  

Question 4

There are some questions in which you must choose the word that completes the sentence and mark the correct answer. There is only one correct answer.

Example:
Mark with an X the correct word to complete the sentence.

4. The________ has four legs.
   A) hen  
   B) table  
   C) cup
Question 5

In some questions, you will have to read the sentence in the box and answer marking the correct answer. There is only one correct answer.

Example:
Read carefully the following sentence.

Javier kicks the ball.

Now Mark with an X the correct answer to the following question.

5. What does Javier kick?
   A) Some rocks.
   B) A chair.
   C) A ball.

Question 6

There are questions in which you will have to read a text carefully and then answer some questions marking the correct answer. There is only one correct answer.

Example:
Read carefully the following text:

María is a girl who likes to play with dolls. On her birthday, her mom gave her a doll and she has not stopped playing with it since then.

Now, Mark with an X the correct answer to each question.

6. When did María get her doll?
   A) On Christmas.
   B) On her birthday.
   C) Last week.
Question 7

Finally, there are questions in which you will have to look at an image and read the text in it and then answer the questions marking the correct answer. There is only one correct answer.

Example:
Look and read carefully the following poster:

![Poster](image)

7. What place of the school is going to be used to apply the vaccines?

A) The principal’s office.
B) The second grade’s class.
C) Every class in school.
Mark with an X the word that relates to the picture.

1. [Image of a flag]

A) bag  B) flag  C) rag  D) flat

Mark with an X the letter that relates to the sentence.

2. Pedro is sleeping in his bed.

A)  B)  C)  D)
Look and read the following story carefully:

The ingenious crow

On a hot day and after flying a lot, the crow is very thirsty.

It sees a bottle with some water and puts in its beak in order to drink the water, but can’t reach it.

Then it has an idea. It picks some stones and puts them in the bottle one by one.

Little by little the stones start rising the water level in the bottle.

Until finally the crow is able to drink the water.

Now, Mark with an X the correct answer to the following questions.

3. Why couldn’t the crow drink the water of the bottle?

   A) Because its beak didn’t reach the water.
   B) Because the water had stones in it.
   C) Because the bottle was too small.
   D) Because it was contaminated.

4. In the story, what does the word “ingenious” mean?

   A) Hard working.
   B) Intelligent.
   C) Funny.
   D) Thirsty.
5. What happened at the end of the story?
   A) The crow did not reach the water.
   B) The crow was very thirsty.
   C) The crow put in some stones.
   D) The crow was able to drink the water.

Read the following text carefully:

A long time ago, in communities, people lived happily next to animals, big or small.

One day, a fox arrived from a far away land and started doing some evil deeds. It ate hens, stole sheep and injured the dogs. Seeing this dangerous threat, the ants gathered spiders, bees and other insects to send the fox away.

After reaching an agreement, they did the following: Once they saw that the fox fell asleep, spiders went up its nose; the ants, into its eyes; the bees, into its ears; and the other insects invaded its paws causing him an itchy feeling.

After that, the fox, almost gone crazy, run away to the mountain and stayed there forever.

Now Mark with an X the correct answer to the following questions.

6. What did the fox do when it arrived from a far away land?
   A) Gathered the spiders.
   B) Did a lot of evil deeds.
   C) Run away to the mountain.
   D) Stole the dogs.

7. When did the insects attack the fox?
   A) When it hurt the dogs.
   B) When it stole sheep.
   C) When it fell asleep.
   D) When it run away to the mountain.

8. The **most important** thing that the ants did before attacking the fox was:
   A) see the fox asleep.
   B) gather many insects.
   C) walk into the eyes of the fox.
   D) gather with the spiders.
9. What’s the **main** idea of the text?

A) The way in which the insects sent away the fox.
B) The sleepiness of the fox.
C) How the fox threatened the ants.
D) How the bees got into the fox’s nose.

Read the following text carefully:

In our country, Peru, there are different regions with different climates and ways of living. In the mountains region, peasants wear thick wool clothes and feed mainly on dry potatoes, potatoes, corn and other products that they plant and harvest. They build their houses with the materials they elaborate themselves, such as mud bricks for building their walls, straw or tiles for building their roofs.

In the jungle region, people dress with light clothes because of the heat. Yucca and banana are their staple food, besides the fish and animals they hunt on the hills. Their houses are made of wood with roofs in an inverted V form to protect themselves from the rain.

In the coast region, people dress with light clothes when it’s hot and thicker clothes when it’s cold. In their valley they mostly cultivate rice, cotton and fruits. Long ago, people built their houses with mud bricks, now they build their houses with bricks. Their roofs are flat because it hardly ever rains on the coast.

As we can see, the clothing, the food and the houses of the inhabitants of the different regions vary according to the weather.

Now Mark with an X the correct answer to the following questions.

10. Where do people build their houses with mud bricks?

A) In the jungle.
B) In the coast.
C) In the mountains.
D) All around Peru.

11. Who dresses light clothes because of the hot weather?

A) People of the jungle.
B) Peasants of the mountains.
C) All Peruvians.
D) People who plant corn.
12. In this text, what’s the most important thing about the harvests in Peru?

A) They are planted and harvested by peasants.
B) They are planted in fertile valleys.
C) The staple harvests are yucca and bananas.
D) They vary because of the different climates.

13. What’s the main topic of this text?

A) The different regions and ways of living in our country.
B) The way people in the jungle wear thick clothes.
C) The different types of food of the different regions of Peru.
D) The great variety of housings built in Peru.

Look and read the following poster carefully:

![Poster showing effects of smoking]

Now, Mark with an X the correct answer to the following questions.

14. Which of the following ideas is more important in the poster?

A) The cigarette makes us think and act.
B) Smoking is harmful for your health.
C) Smoking affects pregnant women.
D) Contaminated environment is due to cigarettes.
15. What’s the purpose of this poster?

A) Teach us not to contaminate the environment.
B) Show the increase of people’s heart rate.
C) Prevent low physical performance.
D) Advice against the harmful effects of cigarettes.

Read the following text carefully.

Of all the events in human history, the one that calls a greater number of spectators is neither a political event nor a special celebration of some achievement on arts or sciences, but a simple ball game.

This sport, as we know, is the one that has caused more interest among men and women. It’s not enough for fans to just dress up, cheer, clap or boo. Thus, fans have gradually developed a special repertoire of collective manifestations.

Today we can say that there isn’t a place in the world were this sport, also called the “king sport”, isn’t practiced. The Arab, Asians and Africans countries have welcomed the practice of this sport successfully; these countries now have an important role in the world championships. It’s in the United States where football’s acceptance has been slower. For this reason, this country was chosen as the venue for the 1994 world cup hoping that it would increase the amount of fans.

The large number of followers turns football into a big business. It shouldn’t surprise us the many millions of dollars earned on sports advertising, broadcasting rights, tickets and the whole range of articles related to the different teams.

Now, Mark with an X the correct answer to the following questions.

16. Where has football’s acceptance been slower?

A) In the Arab countries.
B) In the United States.
C) In the Asian countries.
D) In Africa.
17. Which of the following ideas is the most important in the text?

   A) The sale of items related to football teams is very important.
   B) Fans dress up and clap during football matches.
   C) Football is a sport practiced all around the world.
   D) Football is practiced in the Arab and African countries.

18. According to the text we conclude that:

   A) football arouses interests around the world.
   B) soon, the United States will be world champion for the first time.
   C) football tickets will become more expensive.
   D) the football business is really in its publicity.

19. What’s the main topic of the previous text?

   A) Football fans.
   B) The business around football.
   C) Football championships.
   D) Football’s popularity.

20. Which option gives the best summary of the previous text?

   A) The show that gathers the most spectators is football. This sport is practiced in Asia, Africa and the Arab countries. United States has a great participation in the world cup since they hosted the 1994 world championship. The amount of millions of dollars that are gathered from selling tickets and football related items is surprisingly high.

   B) A simple ball game gathers a higher number of spectators than a political event or a special celebration. The fans of the “king sport” clap hands, cheer, and boo. Because of that they have developed a special repertoire of collective manifestations.

   C) Football gathers a huge number of spectators. Fans have developed many ways of celebrating. The popularity of the sport has reached the Arab, African and Asian countries, which practice it successfully. Definitely, football has become a big business.

   D) This sport is so popular that it makes fans show their love by cheering or booing the football players. In 1994, United States hosted the world cup hoping it would increase their number of fans. Sporting publicity and broadcasting right sales have created a huge business out of this sport.
Read the following text carefully:

Huancayo. Five localities in the provinces of Jauja and Tarma, with more than six thousand inhabitants, are isolated since the past 19th, when the access road was covered by a landslide of mud and rocks over an area of one hundred meters, informed Leopoldo Sedano Lopez, mayor of the district of Tapo (Tarma).

The landslide occurred in the stretch between the localities of Huaripampa and Yuracmayo where, from the highest point of mount Pacchac, tons of material fell reaching the banks of the Ricran river.

“The natural phenomenon was caused by the torrential rains that have been falling over the area for the last five days”, said the mayor Sedano Lopez.

Since then, the localities of Yuracmayo and Ricran, part of the Jauja province, are cut off, as well as Congas, Antacucho and Maco, of the province of Tarma. On the 24th of this month, a committee of the province’s Civil Defense, led by the mayor of the province of Tarma, Humberto Miyasawa Nagay, carried out a damage inspection.

Residents of the towns mentioned, engaged in agriculture, have difficulty in obtaining supplies of fuel, supplies and agricultural products to transport their crops to markets in Tarma, Jauja, Huancayo and Lima.

Mayor Leopoldo Lopez Sedano informed he has sent a tractor to clean the affected road stretch, while Tarma’s Development Office has promised a similar machine.

Now, Mark with an X the correct answer to the following questions.

21. ¿Which communities have been isolated because of the landslide?

A) Huancayo, Huaripampa, Yuracmayo, Congas and Ricran.
B) Yuracmayo, Ricran, Congas, Antacucho and Maco.
C) Yuracmayo, Ricran, Jauja, Antacucho and Tarma.
D) Tapo, Maco, Huaripampa, Congas and Pacchac.
22. Which of the following events is the **most important**?

A) There have been five days of torrential rains over Tarma.
B) Civil Defense carried out an inspection of the place.
C) Five localities from Jauja and Tarma have been isolated.
D) Tarma’s Development Office promised to send a tractor.

23. According to the text, we can conclude that:

A) only the mayor is interested in cleaning the road.
B) the landslide caused more damages in Huaripampa and Yuracmayo.
C) when the road gets cleared and fixed, people will go back to trading fuel, supplies and agricultural products.
D) the agricultural products of the localities isolated by the landslide will spoil.

24. What’s the **main** topic of the previous text?

A) A natural disaster in Jauja.
B) Five towns in the provinces of Jauja and Tarma have been isolated because of a landslide of mud and rocks.
C) The efforts of the mayor and Civil Defense.
D) The constant and torrential rains.

25. Which option gives the **best summary** of the previous text?

A) The people of Tarma are having trouble transporting their agricultural products to the markets of Jauja, Tarma, Huancayo and Lima.
B) Five towns in the provinces of Jauja and Tarma have been isolated because of a landslide that blocked the access road to these localities. Authorities are taking the necessary measures to solve the problem.
C) Torrential rains, which have been falling for the past five days, caused a major landslide in the mountains.
D) A Civil Defense committee inspected the area to evaluate the damage caused by the landslide. By using two tractors they will be able to clear the affected area of the road, which gives access to the isolated communities.

YOU HAVE FINISHED THE EXERCISES.