

A N S W E R K E Y

GRAMMAR - 15 pts

1 – a, 2 – to, 3 – if / should, 4 – at / by, 5 – where, 6 – who, 7 – in, 8 – have, 9 – by, 10 – The/the
11 – have, 12 – were, 13 – or, 14 – more, 15 – their.

VOCABULARY

1 – direction, 2 – scene, 3 – sharply, 4 – salvation, 5 – completely, 6 – absurd, 7 – assistance,
8 – strength, 9 – illusion, 10 – oppose.

READING COMPREHENSION

1 – the rest of the film, 2 – at last, 3 – the end
4 – 7, 5 – 2, 6 – 8, 7 – 3, 8 – 6, 9 – 5, 10 – 4.

LISTENING COMPREHENSION – 5 pts (half point for each correct answer)

1 – F, 2 – T, 3 – F, 4 – NG, 5 – T, 6 – T, 7 – NG, 8 – F, 9 – T, 10 – NG.

ROLEPLAY

Student – teenaged child

As an exchange student, you have been enjoying a family ski trip in the Rocky mountains.

Unfortunately, tomorrow you are supposed to leave. You don't feel like leaving. This is a wonderful winter place. Try to persuade your American parents:

- to let you stay for a few more days with your Aunt Emilia, who will take care of you;
- to give you about \$200 to cover the expenses;
- to excuse you from school.

Tell your parents you will be careful about your special diet and avoid all "challenging" situations.

ROLEPLAY

Teacher – parent

You have been enjoying a family ski trip in the Rocky mountains with your exchange student.

Tomorrow you are supposed to leave but your exchange son/daughter, it seems, has a different plan.

You do understand that he/she loves skiing but what he/she suggests **is simply unacceptable**

because in your opinion:

- Aunt Emilia, famous for her wild nature – and her much younger boyfriend – is probably not responsible enough to leave a teenaged child with;
- not checking what your exchange son/daughter is eating is worrying and that extra \$200 – a complete nightmare!
- skipping school is not something you approve of either.

PICTURE STORY

Come up with a story. Use all the pictures in any order you wish.



Tapescript

Interviewer: *Doctor David Ford, welcome to our programme. Our young listeners would like to know more about goldfish, especially goldfish as a first pet. How would you introduce this pet to our young listeners?*

Dr. David Ford: The common goldfish is the most popular pet in the world. It also makes an ideal first pet because it is so undemanding, hardy, colourful, and gentle.

Interviewer: *Well, you say “undemanding”, but are there at least some tasks the young owners will be expected to do regularly?*

Dr. David Ford: Goldfish introduce their owners to the responsibilities of caring for a living creature. They are also educational since this is a pet that lives in a totally different world to our own. People can relate to their goldfish, too; often “Goldie” becomes one of the family and can live to see a future generation of that family because with proper care the fish will live for 30 years.

Interviewer: *We people have a mostly individual nature. What “qualities” does “Goldie” have?*

Dr. David Ford: Every goldfish is also an individual with its own characteristics. It can recognise its owner and will rise to be handfed. A real family member!

It is also the one pet that can safely be left when you go on holiday. It makes no noise, no mess, no smell, and with a few simple rules will brighten any home as a living ornament.

Interviewer: *I bet not many people know anything about the origins of this fish. Can you share something with us, please?*

Dr. David Ford: Goldfish are carp, one of the Cyprinid family, which includes many cold-water fishes. A cousin to goldfish are the larger and more colourful koi, but these fish should be kept in ponds. Goldfish originated from pond fish, too, kept as pets by fish farmers over 1,000 years ago in China. To this day, the finest examples of exotic goldfish are imported from China.

Interviewer: *I think young owners might appreciate some help or advice. Who can they turn to?*

Dr. David Ford: Manufacturers of aquariums, fish foods, accessories, and remedies often offer a free back-up service to help aquarists with any problems. For example, it is easy to find the addresses of the various goldfish societies which are available and even some professionals. Myself included, of course! Just drop me a line at the Aquarium Advisory Service seated in Melton Mowbray. There you can get a free brochure on goldfish keeping, plus help and advice on all aspects of the hobby.

Interviewer: *Are there any more benefits goldfish keepers can gain from this hobby?*

Dr. David Ford: Fishkeeping is fun and can be exciting, especially if you join the clubs. Tanks are decorative and can light any dark corner in a room. Fishkeeping is also therapeutic; gazing into their silent world actually slows your heart rate, and so calms nerves. But once again – it’s also a responsibility – a goldfish is for life.

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