

Answer key

Comprehension 3

- 1 because they only care about themselves
- 2 calling young people the 'Me' generation
- 3 A
- 4 I think the writer is a teenager because he/she refers to young people as 'we' and 'us'.
(any reasonable answer)
- 5 Jonathan is called the Butterfly Boy because his skin, like a butterfly's wings, is very sensitive and is easily damaged.
- 6 In order to prevent infections, Jonathan needs to have baths and have his bandages replaced very two days, which takes four hours.
- 7 I think that Jonathan's disease takes a toll on his mother's life because she has to spend a lot of time on his treatment, which does not leave her with much time for herself. Also, his disease probably makes her feel very sad and stressed. *(any reasonable answer)*
- 8 i) debilitating
ii) constant
iii) regimen
iv) arduous
- 9 live
experimental
success
- 10 agonizing
- 11 i) T
ii) F
iii) NG
iv) T
- 12 Travelling in the US and Canada is challenging for Jonathan because he is less protected than at home. It is more difficult for him to keep up his bath and bandage-changing routine and avoid dangers. *(any reasonable answer)*
- 13 Jonathan insists on speaking at events in Canada and the US as he wants to give hope and encouragement to other people who suffer from the same disease as him.
- 14 i) a battle
ii) He compares living with his illness to a battle because it is very difficult for him, but he is able to win. *(any reasonable answer)*

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Unit 2

- 15 i) volunteering at local charities
ii) participating in sponsored runs
iii) working on flag days
- 16 Some teenagers might choose not to volunteer because their own problems seem overwhelming, so the idea of helping others is too much. (*any reasonable answer*)
- 17 The writer means that if teenagers started helping people because of his example, it would give a lot of meaning to his life. (*any reasonable answer*)
- 18 A
- 19 II C
III A
IV D
- 20 Johnathan is a selfless person as though his disease keeps him in constant pain he still travels around Canada and the US to give hope and encouragement to other people suffering from the same illness. (*any reasonable answer*)
- 21 No, I do not think the writer will agree with the statement because the writer says that anyone can be a hero, even teenagers. (*any reasonable answer*)