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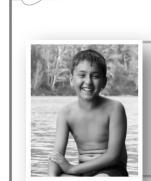
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You have met a new friend online. Read his personal description on his blog.

Text 2 Personal description



BLOG

Richard Henare About me

Welcome to my blog! I'm Richard Henere. I'm a 12-year-old from New Zealand. My dad is a park ranger. My mum is a preschool teacher. I don't have any brothers or sisters. I don't mind though as I don't have to share a bedroom with anyone!



This is a view of Christchurch from a mountaintop.



We went camping in the summer. This is me in my cosy tent.

2 I have tanned skin because I spend a lot of time outdoors. I don't like having hair in my 10 eyes, so I keep it very short. I'm neither tall nor short. I'm right in the middle. My mum always tells me that I'm too 'skinny'. However, she also tells me that I'm handsome. I'm not sure if I should believe her 15 or not because all parents say that about their children!

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3 People tell me that I'm very energetic. When I'm not at home, I'm out cycling, skateboarding or surfing at
20 the beach. My dad is very adventurous. He brings me to a lot of different places. He teaches me all about the plants and animals that we see. It is important to protect nature. He takes
25 me sailing too. If we're lucky, we get to see whales jumping out of the water!



We went sailing and we saw a humpback whale!



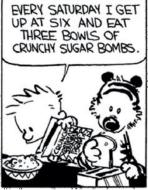
This is Aka—the coolest cat in the world and my best friend!

At home, we have a cat called Aka. I make holes in cardboard boxes for her to play in. She loves hiding in them, no 30 matter how big or small they are. My favourite comic is Calvin and Hobbes. Calvin is an only child like me. He's a disobedient kid, but he's also very clever and funny. Sometimes, I imagine Aka is 35 Hobbes. I bring her with me on my adventures.

Text 3 Comic strip

Calvin and Hobbes









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Aı st	ารพ	prehension 2 & 3 Your sister is asking you so wer her questions using information from the person For multiple-choice questions, choose the best ans	nal description and the co	mic				
Pe	ersc	onal description						
1	W	hich country is Richard from?						
2	Us	Use ONE word to complete each blank.						
		chard's mum is a (i))	rd's mum is a (i) and his dad is a					
3	Ac	ccording to Richard, what is the benefit of being an	only child?					
	Α	Your parents will love you more.						
	В	You can have a pet cat.						
	С	You don't have to share a bedroom with someone	e else. A B	C D				
	D	You can spend a lot of time outdoors.	0 0	00				
4	i)	Why does Richard have tanned skin?						
	ii)	What is Richard's hair like?						
5	Ri	chard does not believe his mum when she says he	ve his mum when she says he is handsome because					
	Α		ome/beautiful					
	В	his friends say he isn't handsome						
	С	he and his mum have different ideas of beauty	АВ	C D				
	D	his mum never says the truth	0 0	00				
6	W	hich word in paragraph 3 has a similar meaning to	'active'?					
	Α	adventurous						
	В	energetic						
	С	important	A B	C D				
	D	lucky	0 0	00				

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7	WI	no takes Richard to the outdoors?								
8		According to paragraph 4, are the following statements True (T) , False (F) or Not Given (NG) ?								
		Statements		T	F	NG				
	i)	Richard can do a lot of tricks on his skateboard.		0	0	0				
	ii)	The name of Richard's cat is Hobbes.		0	0	0				
	iii)	Richard and Calvin are both only children.		0	0	0				
<u>Cc</u>	mi	c strip								
9	WI	hat time does Calvin wake up on Saturdays?								
10	WI	hat does Calvin like eating on Saturdays?								
	Α	bacon and eggs								
	В	toast								
	С	noodles			АВ	C D				
	D	cereal			00	00				
11		omplete the following description with words or phrases from Text 2 and Text 3. ake sure the words are grammatically correct.								
	(chard is a/an (i), and he lives with his, and he lives with his, and (iii) He enjoys doing activities in the, like cycling. Unlike his favourite comic book character, he bably does not enjoy watching (v) at home.								
12		nd words from Text 2 and Text 3 that are similar in meackets to complete the sentences.	eaning to	the w	ords in					
	i)	My mum thinks that my dad is more (good-looking) in a business suit. (paragraph 2)								
	ii) My (naughty) baby brother throws food that he doesn't water to eat on the floor. (paragraph 4)									
	iii)	No one understood what he was saying as he was (<i>unclear</i>) after taking his medicine. (text 3)	rather							
	iv)	After three cans of soda, she was extremely ran around the house for hours. (text 3)		(to	o active) and				