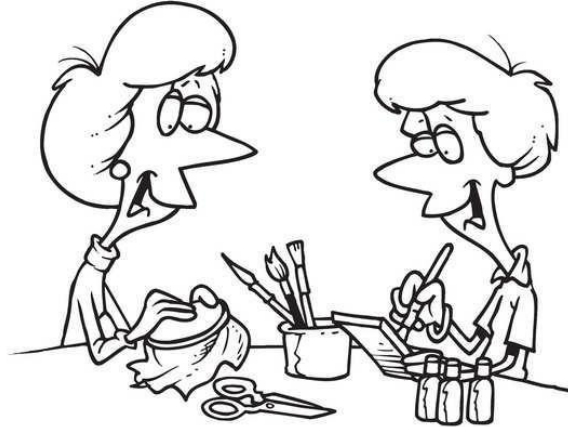


EVERYONE NEEDS A HOBBY



A. Reading

Janice and her sister, Hilda, like arts and crafts. Janice likes to embroider and Hilda likes to paint. The sisters get together once a week. One week they meet at Janice's house and the next week they meet at Hilda's house. The sisters work on craft projects all year. When someone they know has a birthday, they give them a homemade gift. Friends and family members appreciate the gifts. Many of them have suggested that the sisters rent a booth at the swap meet and sell their crafts. But Janice and Hilda prefer to make things for friends. They don't want to turn their hobbies into a business.

B. True or False

1. _____ Hilda is Janice's sister.
2. _____ Janice and Hilda meet twice a week.
3. _____ Homemade gifts are made in factories by machines.
4. _____ Hobbies are for fun. Businesses are for money.
5. _____ People can rent a booth at the swap meet and sell things.

C. Yes or No – Share Your Opinion

1. _____ Janice and Hilda should sell their crafts at the swap meet.
2. _____ You can tell a lot about a person by knowing their hobby.

D. Writing – What is your favorite hobby? How much time do you spend on it?

DREAM VACATION



A. Reading

It's 3:00 in the morning and Irma is sound asleep. She is dreaming about a vacation. In her dreams she is on a beach in Acapulco, Mexico. She is staying at a resort overlooking the Pacific Ocean. The water is blue and warm and the sand is white. A gentle breeze cools the heat of the Mexican sun. Irma can hear mariachis in a nearby restaurant. They are playing traditional music. Tropical plants are everywhere. The blooms of their flowers are yellow, pink, red, and blue. Everything there is slower and more relaxed. Irma is happy. She stretches and smiles. She continues to sleep and dream.

B. True or False

1. _____ Acapulco is in Mexico.
2. _____ Irma is on vacation.
3. _____ Mariachis are performing in a play.
4. _____ Some tropical plants have blooms.
5. _____ Irma is awake.

C. Yes or No – Share Your Opinion

1. _____ Mexico is a great place for vacation.
_____ Most people feel happier when the weather
2. is warm.

D. Writing – Where do you want to go on vacation?

WALKING THE DOG



A. Reading

After Jared eats dinner, he takes his dog for a walk. They walk north on Alondra Boulevard and then turn right on Central Avenue. They walk four more blocks to a large park on the corner of Central Avenue and Hall Street. Jared takes the leash off his dog and lets it run and play. Sometimes he throws a stick for his dog to fetch. Jared's dog is friendly. It likes people and other dogs. When children ask Jared if they can pet his dog, he always tells them yes. He gives the children a dog bone from his pocket. The children give the bone to the dog. It always begs for another.

B. True or False

1. _____ Children at the park feed Jared dog bones.
2. _____ Children at the park feed Jared's dog bones.
3. _____ The park is on Alondra Boulevard.
4. _____ Jared has a pet.
5. _____ The dog in this story is unfriendly.

C. Yes or No – Share Your Opinion

1. _____ Dogs are easier to take care of than cats.
2. _____ Jared should not take the leash off his dog when they are at the park.

D. Writing – Why should children ask for permission before they pet an animal?
