

STUDENTS FOR PEACE 4 – TEST 2

1 Check the correct alternative.

- a _____ you upload your songs this morning?
() Has () Did () Have
- b Anny _____ never read an e-book.
() didn't () has () hasn't
- c Science fiction _____ always been my favorite literary genre.
() is () have () has
- d The kids _____ *The Hobbit* last week.
() have read () read () has read
- e When _____ the last time you read your e-mails?
() did () were () was

2 Match the sentences (a-h) to their correct explanation (I-III).

- a She's been a professional photographer since 2013.
b What a nice camera you've bought! Now you can take all the pictures you want.
c I made an assemblage yesterday.
d We've lived here for ten years.
e I went to an awesome art exhibition last weekend.
f I've lost my car keys... I can't go anywhere now...
g I read all the Harry Potter books when I was a kid.
h She's closed the window. It's warm in here now.

I These sentences describe a completed action that happened in the past.

Sentences: _____

II These sentences describe an action that began in the past and continues up to the present.

Sentences: _____

III These sentences describe an action that is finished with a result in the present.

Sentences: _____

3 Write questions using the cues in parentheses.

a A _____ (you ever buy a cell phone)?

B Yes, I have.

A When _____ you _____ (buy) it?

B I bought it yesterday.

b A _____ (Mark read an e-book yet)?

B Yes, he has.

A When _____ he _____ (read) it?

B He read it two weeks ago.

4 Complete the text with the correct form of the verbs in parentheses.

J.K. Rowling is one of the most popular writers of our times. She _____ (be) born on July 31st, 1965 in England.

Rowling _____ (be) considered an international literary sensation since 1999, but her way to the top _____ (not be) easy at all. She _____ (have) a very poor and difficult childhood. Despite that, her mom and dad _____ (love) reading and _____ (have) many books at home. Rowling _____ (know) she _____ (want) to be a writer at a very early age.

She _____ (adopt) the initials J.K. as her pen name when she _____ (begin) working as a writer. The Harry Potter books _____ (sell) millions of copies all over the world up to now.

Based on <www.biography.com/people/jk-rowling-40998> and <www.harrypotter.bloomsbury.com/uk/>.
Accessed on Sep. 29, 2015.

5 Check all the correct information about the text.

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Among the titles of the Harry Potter series of books are: *Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone*, *Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets*, and *Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban*. Even if you haven't read any of the Harry Potter books, it is possible to infer that

- a () the Harry Potter series of books is based on true facts and events.
- b () the Harry Potter books are considered to be science fiction novels.
- c () the Harry Potter series of books belongs to the fantasy genre.
- d () the main character of the Harry Potter series of books is always the same.

6 Write tag questions.

- a You like to draw, _____?
- b She wasn't sick yesterday, _____?
- c Josh has just seen Ron Mueck's new work, _____?
- d Keith visited the MoMA in New York last year, _____?
- e The kids haven't made a sculpture yet, _____?

7 Fill in the blanks with the words / expressions from the box.

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- a Don't touch those _____! I'll use them for my collage work in my Art class.
- b When you look _____ at these pictures, you'll see that they are discoloring.
- c I love art because it doesn't need to be logical. It can have _____.
- d Fragments of a _____ of materials such as metal, plastic, and paper can be used to make an assemblage.
- e My dad likes many kinds of painting, especially _____.

8 Check the sentences that best describe the text below.

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Sorry, But Your Selfies Are Not Art

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Selfies are not something that came along with cell phone cameras. They have been around for centuries. Artists like Van Gogh, Rembrandt, Leonardo da Vinci, and many others made their selfies, or self-portraits. They're real masterpieces. The first selfie in history may have been the famous painting *Portrait of a Man in a Turban*, by Jan van Eyck from 1433.

Over the past few years, however, we've gone crazy about selfies. The *Oxford Dictionary* named it the word of the year for 2013. It was just the icing on the cake of a much larger phenomenon that stretches from teens to celebrities. Selfie proponents would have us believe that the selfie culture turns everyone into artists, and that narcissism is really a form of creativity. Well, they're wrong. Selfies are not art.

The best we can say about selfies is that they are instantly understandable, a moment of communication between people. But selfies lose relevance as time passes. Art, on the other hand, can take decades to reveal its significance.

When asked if a selfie constituted art, young artist Man Barlett said, "Any selfie removed from its original context and put into an artistic framework could then be considered art." That's controversial.

One of art's most satisfying qualities is that it continues to enchant its viewers long after its creator has died. Your reflection in the bathroom mirror does not do that.

Based on <www.psmag.com/books-and-culture/sorry-selfies-art-71323>. Accessed on Sep. 29, 2015.

- a () The text is a blog post.
- b () The text is a newspaper article.
- c () The text compares selfies made with smartphone cameras to self-portraits made by artists.
- d () An opinion is expressed in the text.
- e () Man Bartlett's conception of selfies is defended in the text.

9 Underline the correct alternative in each of the sentences below.

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- a In the sentence “They have been around for centuries.”, the word “they” refers to **selfies / cameras**.
- b In the same sentence, the word “around” means **going from one place to another / present in our society**.
- c In the sentence “But selfies lose relevance as time passes.”, the word “relevance” means **importance / insignificance**.
- d In the sentence “Your reflection in the bathroom mirror does not do that.”, the word “that” refers to **reflection in the mirror / continues to enchant its viewers**.

10 Copy two sentences from the text that support the idea of its title.
