



ENGLISH

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THE FUN THEY HAD

Thinking About Text

1. How old are Margie and Tommy?



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2. What did Margie write in her diary?



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3. Had Margie ever seen a book before?



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4. What things about the book did she find strange?



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5. What do you think a telebook is?



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6. Where was Margie's school? Did she have any classmates?



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7. What subjects did Margie and Tommy learn?



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8. Answer the following with reference to the story.

1. “I wouldn’t throw it away.”

(i) Who says these words?

(ii) What does ‘it’ refer to?

(iii) What is it being compared with by the speaker?



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9. “Sure they had a teacher, but it wasn’t a regular teacher. It was a man.”

(i) Who does ‘they’ refer to?

(ii) What does ‘regular’ mean here?

(iii) What is it contrasted with?



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10. What kind of teachers did Margie and Tommy have?



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11. Why did Margie's mother send for the County Inspector?



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12. What did he do?



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13. Why was Margie doing badly in geography?

What did the County Inspector do to help her?





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14. What had once happened to Tommy's teacher?



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15. Did Margie have regular days and hours for school? If so, why?



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16. How does Tommy describe the old kind of school?



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17. How does he describe the old kind of teachers?



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18. What are the main features of the mechanical teachers and the schoolrooms

that Margie and Tommy have in the story?



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19. Why did Margie hate school? Why did she think the old kind of school must have been fun?



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20. Do you agree with Margie that schools today are more fun than the school in the

story? Give reasons for your answer.



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Thinking About Language

1. Find the sentences in the lesson which have the adverbs given in the box below. Awfully, sorrowfully, completely, loftily, carefully, differently, quickly, nonchalantly



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2. Now use these adverbs to fill in the blanks in the sentences below.

The report must be read _____ so that performance can be improved.



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3. Now use these adverbs to fill in the blanks in the sentences below.

At the interview, Sameer answered our questions _____, shrugging his shoulders.



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4. Now use these adverbs to fill in the blanks in the sentences below.

We all behave _____ when we are tired or hungry.



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5. Now use these adverbs to fill in the blanks in the sentences below.

The teacher shook her head _____ when Ravi lied to her.



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6. Now use these adverbs to fill in the blanks in the sentences below.

I _____ forgot about it.



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7. Now use these adverbs to fill in the blanks in the sentences below.

When I complimented Revathi on her success, she just smiled _____ and turned away.



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8. Now use these adverbs to fill in the blanks in the sentences below.

The President of the Company is _____ busy and will not be able to meet you.





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9. Now use these adverbs to fill in the blanks in the sentences below.

I finished my work _____ so that I could go out to play.



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10. Make adverbs from these adjectives.

(i) angry _____

(ii) happy _____

(iii) merry _____

(iv) sleepy _____

(v) easy _____

(v) easy _____

(vi) noisy _____

(vii) tidy _____

(viii) gloomy _____



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11. Complete the following conditional sentences. Use the correct form of the verb.

If I don't go to Anu's party tonight, _____



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12. Complete the following conditional sentences. Use the correct form of the verb.

If you don't telephone the hotel to order food,



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13. Complete the following conditional sentences. Use the correct form of the verb.

Unless you promise to write back, I _____



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14. Complete the following conditional sentences. Use the correct form of the verb.

If she doesn't play any games, _____



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15. Complete the following conditional sentences. Use the correct form of the verb.

Unless that little bird flies away quickly, the cat



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