## Who Did Patrick's Homework?

Read the following passages carefully and answer the questions that follow by choosing the correct alternative:

(1)

## Ouestion 1.

What was the cat playing with?

- (a) with a doll
- (b) with Patrick
- (c) with a ball
- (d) with a little doll

## **▼** Answer

Answer: (d) with a little doll

### Question 2.

What did Patrick discover after seeing the doll?

- (a) A robot
- (b) A man of the tiniest size
- (c) A puppet
- (d) none of these

### ▼ Answer

Answer: (b) A man of the tiniest size

### Question 3.

What did the little man say to Patrick?

- (a) To save him from dog
- (b) To save him from a rat
- (c) To save him from cold
- (d) To save him from cat

#### **▼** Answer

Answer: (d) To save him from cat

## Question 4.

What did Patrick ask the elf to do?

- (a) To play with him
- (b) To do his homework
- (c) To go with him
- (d) None of these

Answer: (b) To do his homework

### Question 5.

Which word in the passage mean 'shouted'?

- (a) yelled
- (b) britches
- (c) grabbed
- (d) grant

## **▼** Answer

Answer: (a) yelled

(2)

Patrick never did his homework. "Too boring," he said. He played hockey and basketball and Nintendo instead. His teachers told him, "Patrick! Do your homework or you won't learn a thing" And it's true, sometimes he did feel like an ignoramus. But what could he do? He hated homework.

## Question 1.

What was Patrick's attitude to his studies?

- (a) Learnt a lot
- (b) No interest
- (c) Worked hard
- (d) Felt good

### **▼** Answer

Answer: (b) No interest

### Question 2.

What did he like to do instead?

- (a) Wandering
- (b) Watching T.V.
- (c) Playing games
- (d) Nothing

# **▼** Answer

Answer: (c) Playing games

### Question 3.

What advice did his teacher give him?

- (a) To do the homework
- (b) To play games

- (c) To work hard
- (d) None of these

Answer: (a) To do the homework

## Ouestion 4.

What did he feel sometimes?

- (a) that he was intelligent
- (b) that he was a fool
- (c) that he was clever
- (d) none of these

#### **▼** Answer

Answer: (b) that he was a fool

## Question 5.

Give the meaning of 'ignoramus'.

- (a) well-educated
- (b) intelligent
- (c) uneducated
- (d) anonymus

# **▼** Answer

Answer: (c) uneducated

(3)

When it came to maths, Patrick was out of luck. "What are times tables?" the elf shrieked. "We elves never need that. And addition and subtraction and division and fractions? Here, sit down beside me, you simply must guide me." Elves know nothing of human history, to them it's a mystery. So the little elf, already a shouter, just got louder. "Go to the library, I need books. More and more books. And you can help me read them too."

### Question 1.

What job was the elf doing?

- (a) Playing with Patrick
- (b) Going to school
- (c) Doing Patrick's homework
- (d) Doing nothing

#### ▼ Answer

Answer: (c) Doing Patrick's homework

## Question 2.

How did the elf ask Patrick to help him in maths?

- (a) To do the sums
- (b) By reading books for him
- (c) By bringing, books
- (d) All of these

### **▼** Answer

Answer: (d) All of these

## Ouestion 3.

Patrick was out of luck in .....

- (a) English
- (b) Maths
- (c) Hindi
- (d) Science

### **▼** Answer

Answer: (b) Maths

### Question 4.

Why was elf doing homework for Patrick?

- (a) Because Patrick once saved the elf from a cat
- (b) Because Patrick scolded him
- (c) Because elf was interested in doing it
- (d) None of these

#### **▼** Answer

Answer: (a) Because Patrick once saved the elf from a cat

### Question 5.

Give the meaning of 'shrieked'.

- (a) cracked
- (b) laughed
- (c) cried out
- (d) worked

## ▼ Answer

Answer: (c) cried out

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The little man's face wrinkled like a dishcloth thrown in the hamper. He kicked his legs and doubled his fists and he grimaced and scowled and pursed his lips, "Oh, am I cursed! But

I'll do it." And true to his word, that little elf began to, do Patrick's homework. Except there was one glitch. The elf didn't always know what to do and he needed help. "Help me! Help me!" he'd say. And Patrick would have to help in whatever way.

# Question 1.

Why did the little man distort his face in anger?

- (a) For helping Patrick
- (b) For doing homework
- (c) For playing games
- (d) For going to school

## **▼** Answer

Answer: (b) For doing homework

## Question 2.

"I'll do it." What did he agree to do?

- (a) To do homework
- (b) To go to the school
- (c) To play with Patrick
- (d) None of these

### **▼** Answer

Answer: (a) To do homework

### Question 3.

What did the little man's problem?

- (a) He could not read
- (b) He could not understand the subjects
- (c) He could not write
- (d) He could not talk

#### ▼ Answer

Answer: (b) He could not understand the subjects

# Question 4.

What did he ask Patrick?

- (a) To play with him
- (b) To help him
- (c) To write for him
- (d) None of these

# **▼** Answer

Answer: (b) To help him

### Question 5.

Give the meaning of 'scowled'

- (a) shrank
- (b) howled
- (c) shivered
- (d) frowned

#### ▼ Answer

Answer: (d) frowned

(5)

Patrick got his A's; his classmates were amazed; his teachers smiled and were full of praise. And his parents? They wondered what had happened to Patrick. He was now the model kid. Cleaned his room, did his chores, was cheerful, never rude, like he had developed a whole new attitude. You see in the end Patrick still thought he'd made that tiny man do all his homework. But I'll share a secret, just between you and me. It wasn't the elf; Patrick had done it himself!

### Question 1.

What is meant by A's?

- (a) Top grading
- (b) Average grading
- (c) Low grading
- (d) Letter of alphabet

## **▼** Answer

Answer: (a) Top grading

# Question 2.

Who smiled and praised Patrick?

- (a) Patrick's Mends
- (b) Patrick's parents
- (c) Patrick's teachers
- (d) The elf

### **▼** Answer

Answer: (c) Patrick's teachers

### Question 3.

What changes in habits made Patrick an ideal boy?

- (a) He became cheerful
- (b) He became regular
- (c) He became hard working
- (d) All of these

Answer: (d) All of these

### Question 4.

Who had done the homework ultimately?

- (a) Elf
- (b) Patrick
- (c) Monitor
- (d) Teacher

### **▼** Answer

Answer: (b) Patrick

### Question 5.

Give the meaning of 'amazed'.

- (a) surprised
- (b) happened
- (c) smiled
- (d) enjoyed

### **▼** Answer

Answer: (a) surprised

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As a matter of fact, every day in every way that little elf was a nag! Patrick was working harder than ever and was it a drag! He has staying up nights, had never felt so weary, was going to school with his eyes puffed and bleary. Finally, the last day of school arrived and the elf was free to go. As for homework, there was no more, so he quietly and slyly slipped out the back door.

## Ouestion 1.

Why was the little elf a nag?

- (a) Elf was lazy
- (b) Elf did not want to do work
- (c) Elf was a shirker
- (d) Elf was asking for help again and again

# **▼** Answer

Answer: (d) Elf was asking for help again and again

#### Question 2.

How did the elf's demands affect Patrick?

(a) Stayed up nights

- (b) Grew tired
- (c) Worked harder
- (d) All the above

Answer: (d) All the above

# Question 3.

Who quietly slipped out the back door?

- (a) Elf
- (b) Patrick
- (c) Teacher
- (d) Servant

## **▼** Answer

Answer: (a) Elf

## Question 4.

Who do you think really did the homework?

- (a) Elf
- (b) Patrick
- (c) Teacher
- (d) Patrick's friend

### ▼ Answer

Answer: (b) Patrick

# Question 5.

Which word in the passage means 'tired'?

- (a) slyly
- (b) puffed
- (c) weary
- (d) bleary

# **▼** Answer

Answer: (c) weary