



COLEGIO CLARETIANO EL LIBERTADOR  
TALLER DE REFUERZO- I PERIODO  
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A) Read the text and complete the sentences

Hussam, Ruba and their mum and dad usually (a) *are staying / (stay)* at home at the weekend but today they (b) *are visiting / visit* Uncle Ali and Aunt Deema.

Hussam and Ruba's mum (c) *isn't cooking / doesn't cook* today. She (d) *is talking / talks* to Aunt Deema in the kitchen. Hussam's father (e) *is liking / likes* watching television but he (f) *isn't watching / doesn't watch*

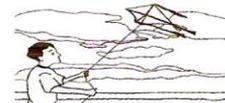


TV today. He (g) *is drinking / drinks* coffee with his brother. They (h) *are talking / talk* about the weather. Hussam and Ruba (i) *aren't doing / don't do* their homework at the moment. Ruba (j) *is listening / listens* to music. Hussam (k) *is reading / reads* a story.

- 1 Today, Salah's mother (buy) is buying fruit from a small shop. She usually (buy) buys fruit from the market.



- 2 Salah usually (play) \_\_\_\_\_ football at the weekend. This weekend, he (fly) \_\_\_\_\_ a kite.



- 3 Salah's father usually (go) \_\_\_\_\_ to work in his car but today he (go) \_\_\_\_\_ to work by taxi.



- 4 Kareem usually (watch) \_\_\_\_\_ TV at the weekend, but today he (read) \_\_\_\_\_ a book on the beach.



- 5 This weekend, Ruba (camp) \_\_\_\_\_ by the sea. She usually (go) \_\_\_\_\_ to the library at the weekend.



- 6 Today, Hussam (fish) \_\_\_\_\_. On Tuesday afternoon, he usually (visit) \_\_\_\_\_ his grandparents.



**B) Complete the sentences. Use the past simple of the verbs in brackets.**

- 1) My sister \_\_\_\_\_ (go) to the cinema yesterday.
- 2) He \_\_\_\_\_ (not like) football, so he \_\_\_\_\_ (play) volleyball.
- 3) He \_\_\_\_\_ (break) the window when he \_\_\_\_\_ (be) 5.
- 4) My mum \_\_\_\_\_ (be) very angry because we \_\_\_\_\_ (come) home very late.
- 5) She \_\_\_\_\_ (told) me the problem with her mum and I \_\_\_\_\_ (help) her.
- 6) They \_\_\_\_\_ (not visit) the museum of the town, they \_\_\_\_\_ (prefer) going to the funfair.
- 7) \_\_\_\_\_ they \_\_\_\_\_ (visit) their grandparents yesterday?
- 8) Who \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ (be) with when the accident happen?

**C) Complete the sentences. Use the past continuous form of the verbs in brackets.**

- 1) I \_\_\_\_\_ (study) Science for my test.
- 2) He \_\_\_\_\_ (not do) his homework.
- 3) They \_\_\_\_\_ (not play) rugby because they think it is boring.
- 4) \_\_\_\_\_ they \_\_\_\_\_ (listen) to music when you opened the door?
- 5) She \_\_\_\_\_ (go) to the cinema, but her friends didn't come.
- 6) That boy \_\_\_\_\_ (play) the violin very well. Maybe, he \_\_\_\_\_ (have) musical classes.
- 7) Jane, David and Polly \_\_\_\_\_ (watch) TV when the light turned off.
- 8) I \_\_\_\_\_ (begin) my English project when my sister fell.

**D) Write the adjectives in brackets in the Comparative form.**

- a) John Lennon was (OLD) \_\_\_\_\_ Paul McCartney.
- b) Some people think the Met is (GOOD) \_\_\_\_\_ the Louvre.
- c) Eric was (AFRAID) \_\_\_\_\_ in Harlem \_\_\_\_\_ in the Subway.
- d) Cats are (NICE) \_\_\_\_\_ dogs.
- e) Cartoons are (GOOD) \_\_\_\_\_ music programmes.
- f) The Empire State is (BIG) \_\_\_\_\_ the Chrysler Building.
- g) Barcelona is (SMALL) \_\_\_\_\_ Madrid, but (BIG) \_\_\_\_\_ Valencia.

**E) Write the adjectives in brackets in the Superlative form.**

- a) Samantha is the (PRETTY) \_\_\_\_\_ girl that Paul has ever met.
- b) I think that King Kong was the (BAD) \_\_\_\_\_ film ever!
- c) Mount Everest is the (HIGH) \_\_\_\_\_ mountain in the world.
- d) Our English teacher is the (GOOD) \_\_\_\_\_ teacher ever!
- e) My room is the (CLEAN) \_\_\_\_\_ room in my house.
- f) Ron is the (CLEVER) \_\_\_\_\_ person I've ever met.
- g) The Millennium Star is one of the (EXPENSIVE) \_\_\_\_\_ diamonds in the world.

## F) Read and answer the questions

### A TERRIFIC COOK

Do you see how slim I am? It's not on purpose and it's not my nature either; there's a good reason for me keeping in shape: Mom. She's a disaster in the kitchen, and besides being unable to fry an egg properly, she always causes accidents. I can't keep track of all the times the kitchen was on fire (4? 5?) because of something weird she decided to do, despite of our advice to keep out of the kitchen - especially the stove. She doesn't pay attention to our advice and we have to eat what she prepares - or at least we eat what we can - so we live constantly on an undesired diet.

The last time she tried to prepare roast beef the result was a burning kitchen; Dad could barely save the family and extinguish the fire. When she goes to the kitchen we start fearing for our lives (and stomachs) and thinking of a sickness we'll fake in order to avoid the "result".

Despite the bad cook we have at home, our house is always full of guests for lunch and dinner. I suspect they come just to have fun watching the disasters. And - of course - they want to be the first to tell our friends what her latest calamity was like.

**Mark true (T) or false (F) according to the text. You have to explain orally when it's false:**

The girl's mother is a terrific cook. ( )

The girl's mom tends to cause accidents in the kitchen. ( )

The girl's mother knows how to cook. ( )

The girl's mom gave up cooking. ( )

The family asks the woman to stop cooking. ( )

The woman keeps cooking and doesn't listen to her family. ( )

They have to eat what she cooks. ( )

She set fire in the kitchen more than once. ( )

They have guests because they appreciate her food. ( )