

Second Term English Test

Teenagers boys read for an average of 20 minutes a day. Teenagers girls spend almost twice as much time reading as their male counterparts, according to a survey. A survey of school children for Thursday's World Book Day found that 15 to 16 year old teenage boys spent 2 . 3 hours a week reading for pleasure, compared with 4.5 hours for girls. This 'screen-age' generation of boys prefers television, with an average of 11 hours a week, and computer games, played for an average of nine hours a week.

But whenever they were reading , boys were doing so because they enjoyed it, with 81 % of 11 to 12 years olds and 76% of 14 to 16 year olds reporting their satisfaction with reading. The most popular author was JK Rowling, writer of the Harry Potter series, and teenage boys particularly enjoyed the works of Lord of the Rings author , JRR Tolkien.

Girls' enthusiasm for reading is reflected in their test and exam results, outperforming boys in English in both primary and secondary school. The survey found that 11 to 12 year old girls were the most enthusiastic readers , with more than five hours of reading for pleasure.

Read the text then do the activities:

I/ choose the best answer :

A - The text is : a- a survey b- a report c- an interview

B - The reporter did the survey about :

- a- teenagers' leisure time
- b- teenagers' reading habits
- c- teenagers' studying hours

II/ Are these sentences TRUE or FALSE according to the text ?

- a- Teenagers girls spent 40 minutes a day in reading
- b- Teenagers boys prefers reading more than playing computer games
- c- The majority of the boys enjoyed the works of JK Rowling, the writer of Harry Potter
- d- Both the boys and the girls like reading

III/ Answer the following questions :

1. Do good exams results of the girls have a relation with reading ?

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2. Why did the reporter describe the teenagers boys as 'screen-age' generation ?

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IV/ Undeline the stressed syllable;

politician artificial schoolbag production

V/ Report the following :

- a- I told her : 'Children make so much .'

I told her
- b- She asked : ' what time does the film begin?'

She asked
- c- They said : 'we travelled by train yesterday.'

They said
- d- He said : ' Have you got a driving licence ?'

He asked.....

VI/ Form adverbs from the following adjectives then use them to complete the sentences below: sad, perfect , late, high

1. Karim looked at me
2. She speaks English
3. I got up this morning.....
4. The bird flew.....