# TEST N° 2

***THE TEXT.***

(1) One of the earliest school memories I have, was a fight I had with my Kindergarten teacher. You see, I learned to read at an early age and I developed a love of reading with it. I was reading things as diverse as the New York Times, classic American Stories like "Little House in the Big Woods" by Laura Ingalls Wilder and poetry by Robert Frost. Everything I read fascinated me.

(2) Of course, like many American Kindergarten classes, Mrs. Parnell's class at the John Paulding school had a story time. Mrs. Sallie Parnell would sit in the special rocking chair at the front of the room and the class would listen to a story she told. I too wanted to sit in that rocking chair and read to the class.

(3) So, one day, the inevitable happened. I told Mrs. Parnell I wanted to read to the class. She was rather shocked, as at that point I was still having difficulty writing my name, and asked me what I could read. I told her: the New York Times. She, of course, didn't believe that this child of 4 could read the New York Times. But, of course, I insisted to read to the class. So, she said that she would call my mother, and if my mother said I could read, then Mrs. Parnell would let **me** read to the class.

(4) That afternoon, as my mother later told me, she received a telephone call from Mrs. Parnell. The next day, to Mrs. Parnell's astonishment, I read a story of **her** selection to the class. I still had difficulty writing my name though!

**Stacey,**

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Name: ..... Number: ..... 9 $B_{4+5+6}$ 9 B .....

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## I/ READING COMPREHENSION . (7)

### 1) Tick the right alternative: (2)

- The text is :
  - ☐ argumentative.
  - ☑ narrative.
  - ☐ expository.
- The text is about
  - ☑ Tracey's love for reading.
  - ☐ Tracey's difficulties at school.
  - ☐ The argument Tracey had with her teacher.

### 2) Complete the following sentence with the right information) : (1)

Stacey could read easily; but .....

### 3) Tick the right alternative: (1)

Stacey asked Mrs Parnell:
- ☑ to let her read to the class
- ☐ to choose more exciting stories
- ☐ to read more stories to the class

### 4) Correct the following statements: (1)

- Mrs Parnell called Stacey's mother to tell her about her daughter's difficulty in writing.

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- Mrs Parnell didn't let Tracey to read the class.

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### 5) What do the underlined words refer to ?: (1)

me (para 3) : .....

her (para 4) : .....

### 6) Find words meaning: (1)

- ..... (para 1) : to attract or interest somebody greatly
- ..... (para 4) : very great surprise

## II- LANGUAGE :

### 1) Fill in the blanks with words from the list: (3)

Five masked young men forced their way in a Chinatown Bus Company ..... office and ..... thousand of dollars in cash on Sunday afternoon. The ..... seemed to range in age from 14 to about 19 Mr Chow said. His daughter Victoria, 22, said the men tied her, both her parents and two others with a rope and ..... them into a back room. She said the rope was not very strong and her father broke free and called the police who managed to catch the ..... criminals. Mrs Chow was ..... hurt, when a robber was tying her up cut her face with a knife.

**Scolded / stole / badly / dangerous / 's / robbers / locked**

*2) Circle the right alternative:* (3)

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| Dear Mr Brown,<br>Thank you for your letter of congratulation on my exam results. I was very (1) to hear from you. I got excellent grades. I did much (2) than I thought I would.<br>We (3) a celebration party next Saturday. Are you going (4) and share my joy ? It's a party for me, (5) my parents and some of their old friends are joining in, so you'll find adults as well (6) teenagers to talk to.<br>I hope that you'll be able to come.<br>*Yours Caroline* | 1) please / pleased / pleasure<br>2) good / better / best<br>3) are having / have / going to have<br>4) coming / come / to come<br>5) however / and / so<br>6) than / as / to |

*3) Match sentence parts from column A with the right ones from column B to get coherent sentences and questions :* (2)

| A | B | Answer |
|---|---|---|
| 1- She spends as much | a- disobey her parents ? | 1 → . |
| 2- Beware | b- about breaking the rules. | 2 → . |
| 3- Why did she | c- stationeries than her sister. | 3 → . |
| 4- She often argues with her parents | d- money as her brother. | 4 → . |
| | e- of flammable gas. | |

**III- WRITING** :

***Write a paragraph about your first day at primary school.***

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