

## Key

### Activity One

(These have to be suggested Answers)

- a) My home is not very big
- b) We live in a large town
- c) I like my home because it is comfortable
- d) We do not have a garden. I would not like a garden as it needs too much work.
- e) My home area is very busy. There are lots of cars everywhere. I like it as all my friends live here.

### Activity Two

- a) My town is small and grey and very pretty. The houses are mostly stone, and they are in the valley near the sea. There used to be a lot of farming, but these days the farms, mainly cows and sheep, have nearly all disappeared. Instead of the farms, there are new housing estates, and my friends and I meet there, especially in the evenings so we can have a drink at one of the country pubs.
- b) My first school wasn't very far from my home where I've always lived, and when I was eleven I had to catch a bus to the comprehensive across the town. We played about on the bus, but I liked school especially history and football. I love going to watch football too!

I work in the hypermarket outside town open day and night. It has everything from Do-it-Yourself to petrol. I have a cashier job and I want to get a car so I can fill it up, go round the shop, and load my trolley right up!

(99 Words)

### Activity Three

The Royal Hotel in Seatown, Sussex is a comfortable Three Star Hotel about half a mile from the sea and suitable for business people and families. It has forty rooms, (30 double), a swimming pool, car park, and an all-day restaurant. The rooms are from £60 bed and breakfast.

(49 Words)

### Activity Four

- 1) One main reason why "danger" is not a good reason for a ban on smoking is

that many activities, more dangerous than smoking, are encouraged. These include being a policeman, a soldier, a racing driver, a mountaineer. Even crossing the road is more dangerous than smoking! (46 Words)

- 2)
  - a) There are a good many arguments against smoking
  - b) Many activities are definitely supported
  - c) Risks of injury in everyday life are far higher numerically
  - d) The problem is that tobacco is compulsive
  - e) Dangerous activities should be managed/protected
- 3) (This is only a Suggested Answer)

Most people would agree with the main arguments presented against smoking, cost, waste, and the addictive nature of tobacco. However the argument stating that to call smoking “dangerous” actually encourages people to smoke only applies to a few. This is shown by the fact that less people smoke now than certainly twenty years ago. People who smoke as a “dare” would probably smoke even if smoking were not called “dangerous” and liable to kill. There are always a number who insist on doing something generally considered unwise.

### Activity Five

1. (a) Rosemary was a little girl very fond of animals; she owned two rabbits, a hamster, a dog, and a cat, but no tortoise. She was given a tortoise for her eighth birthday and was delighted with her new pet. Her mother told her tortoises ate lettuces and slept in a box during the winter. She also said they were good in the garden because they ate slugs; but what interested Rosemary most of all was the fact they grow to be very old... (83 Words)  
  
(b) i) possessed ii) disheartened, discontented iii) continued iv) became v) trembly vi) learnt, knew vii) coldness viii) survive
2. (a) This has to be a suggested answer:

The humour derives mainly from the fact that the story begins as a child’s tale, and ends in a somewhat unexpected and half unpleasant fashion. This can be taken as rather funny, - or in bad taste, depending on the viewpoint of the reader.

- (b) It is not possible to give an answer here as there are too many possibilities, but you might like to write one down, and discuss it with a friend...

### Activity Six

37, Larch View Tolford TL3 5TH
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Tel 01376 237682  
3 March 2003

The Manager  
La Palmera  
Miramar  
Costa de Almeria  
SPAIN

Dear Sir

I should be obliged if you could make me a reservation at your hotel of one double room and two singles for my wife and myself and our two children; they should have a room each, two single bedrooms, as they are a boy and a girl.

We should like to stay for a week from Saturday evening August 2nd until Saturday morning August 9th.

Could you please also send us the following information?


How much are we likely to have to pay, full board?  
What facilities do you have? For example, a car park, a swimming pool?

Could you please also send me a brochure with information on your hotel, and the area around Miramar.

Can you send me prices, and make arrangements for car hire, as we will want to travel around during our stay.

We look forward to hearing from you soon and will be willing to pay you a deposit in advance.

Kind regards



Donald Simpson

## Activity Seven

The Lakes Mountain View Hotel in Kelston Cumbria gave Beatrice Winter a hard time recently!

She was first of all sent an out of date Brochure that listed prices way below what in the end she had to pay. Then, in spite of the fact she had been assured she and her family would be able to get vegetarian meals, they were still expected to eat the normal food. The hotel just couldn't be bothered to serve special meals, as the *Winters* were the only vegetarians at the time!

She was polite enough not to complain publicly then; but now feels she should make a statement, not for her own benefit, but for the benefit of other customers who might suffer the same treatment as she and her family. (129 Words)

## Activity Eight

This is only an example of the sort of letter you might have written; yours

could be as good, but this gives you a guide in style and length: do consult your Tutor if you have any particular problems:

25 Camberley Crescent  
Ashtown  
Lincs  
AS14 9GH  
Tel 01653 933612  
3 March 2003

The Chief Executive  
Swale District Council  
Main Street  
Ashtown  
Lincs  
AS3 4FG

Dear Sir

I should like to apply for your post as a tour guide of Ashtown Castle, and would like an application form and a job description. I regret that I cannot start until the beginning of August because of my present employment. I enclose with thanks a stamped addressed envelope.

Yours truly,

Anne Ferguson (Ms)  
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## Activity Nine

This has to be only a suggestion, but it may help you towards the Tutor-marked Assignment to come:

Cornmouth Arts  
Cornmouthshire County Council  
Cornmouth  
CN1 2JP

Tel/Fax: 01785 860 500  
Email: Alan@cornmouth.arts.co.uk  
4 July 2003

Ms Molly Urquhart  
35 Lansdown Terrace  
Cornmouth  
CN9 7BH

Dear Ms Urquhart

We were most interested to receive your application for a bursary from Cornmouth Arts, and I am glad to be able to tell you that our Committee has agreed to support your musical venture.

However there have to be conditions, and I would like you to reply

as soon as possible giving us the information requested below. This will be presented to the next Committee Meeting in September, and assuming you can meet our conditions, I see no reason why your musical should not be supported financially by Cornmouth Arts. However I must make it clear that any Bursary cannot exceed £100, and it may be smaller, depending on how the Committee views your compliance with our conditions:

- ) We would like to see Receipts and Programmes for the previous Musical or Musicals, presented by Cornmouth Drama Group. Did you make an overall profit, and if so how much was it? Evidence of success would also be helpful (e.g. a newspaper review).
- ) Please provide details of the current production, the probable cost, and the dates you intend to perform. Also the venue.
- ) Tell us why particularly you require a Bursary, and how much would be helpful.

We look forward to hearing from you as soon as convenient; and enclose an application form for the information requested.

Yours sincerely

Alan Barnard  
Chairman of Cornmouth Arts

## Activity Ten

42, Park Avenue  
Oxminster  
OR3 7FJ

24 April 2003

Dear Paul

I had a really good time with you, thank you very much, it was the best holiday I can remember for ages; even the weather was great!

Your area is beautiful, a bit different from where I live, all cars and noise! I enjoyed especially looking for tiddlers in the streams and for shrimps in the rocks by those great cliffs. The day we went for that walk in the woods was smashing too, it didn't matter we got lost, it added to the fun somehow? And that castle it was pretty creepy, wasn't it? Especially in the dark... But the best day was our trip in the coach to Exeter. A lovely cathedral, and it was good to hear the choir having its practice, took me back to when I was in the school choir..

I hope to hear from you soon with news of what you've been doing. A pity we have to go to college so soon; still it was fun to get away from work, at least for a while.

All the best and write soon

Colin

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