

Second Semester Exam in RT (Answer Key)

Exercise: Read each of the following paragraphs carefully. Identify the topic, the main idea, the signal words, and decide what the pattern is. Then use your own words to express two important details in the space provided.

1.If we study a child's handwriting, certain personality traits are revealed. If children have handwriting that is slanted only a little to the right or is straight up and down, they have a moderate temperament and use good judgment. This type is usually affectionate and sharing. However, if the handwriting slants to the far right, they are usually emotional children who react quickly. Their quick responses are often negative responses. The third type, children who write with a backhand slant, are very logical, unemotional, and sometimes very insecure. Their world seems to revolve around themselves rather than around friends and loved ones.

Topic: Child's handwriting / What handwriting says about child's personality 0.5 pt

Main idea: If we study a child's handwriting, certain personality traits are revealed. 1 pt

Pattern of Organization: Classification 1 pt

Signal words: This type, the third type, ... 0.5 pt

Two supporting Details:

-Slanting to the right indicates that the child is affectionate and sharing. 0.5 pt

-Some children might be very logical and unemotional. They might have backhand writing. 0.5 pt

2.Besides wearing a face mask, there are other important tips you can take to help prevent the spread of SARS-CoV-2. Whenever possible, stay home. Avoid going out in public, especially for unnecessary trips and errands. Practice physical distancing if you need to leave your home, and always wear your mask if you are near other people. Avoid touching your face when out in public and always cover your mouth and nose when you cough and sneeze. Wash your hands with soap and water often, or use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer if soap and water aren't available. As soon as you get home, rewash your hands before doing anything else. If you have symptoms, call your doctor or local health department. Remain at home until you get clear instructions on what to do about testing. (Lindberg, 2020)

Topic: SARS-CoV-2 / How can we prevent SARS-CoV-2? 0.5 pt

Main idea: There are some important tips you can take to help prevent the spread of SARS-CoV-2. /

Here are some preventive measures to avoid SARS-CoV-2 and to be safe. 1 pt

Pattern of Organization: List of items 1 pt

Signal words: Avoid, practice, wear, tips, 0.5 pt

Two supporting Details:

-Wear your mask when you need to. 0.5 pt

-Avoid crowds. 0.5 pt

3. Big companies in Florida make orange juice entirely by machine. First, the oranges are placed in a big washing machine. The oranges move slowly through the machine and are washed with strong soap. After they're washed, the oranges roll into the juicing machines. The juicing machines press and squeeze about 100 oranges per minute. Then, the oranges go through a long tube with holes in it. That is how the juice is separated from the orange skins. The skins cannot go through the holes, so they come out at the end of the tube. Next, the orange juice goes into another machine that takes out the seeds and other tiny objects. Last, the orange juice goes into a packing machine. In this machine, the juice is poured into bottles or cartons. The bottles or cartons are closed, and the juice is ready to be sold. (Mikulecky & Jefferies, 2004, p. 116)

Topic: Making orange juice / How orange juice is made / Orange juice processing 0.5 pt

Main idea: Big companies in Florida make orange juice entirely by machine, and here are the steps./

Making orange juice in big companies requires the following steps. 1 pt

Pattern of Organization: Time order (Sequence) 1 pt

Signal words: First, after, then, next, ... 0.5 pt

Two supporting Details:

-First, the oranges should be cleaned up in a big washing machine. 0.5 pt

-Then the oranges are placed in the juicing machines to press and squeeze it. 0.5 pt

4. Today, more than half of all Americans are too fat. They are more than twenty pounds (9.1 kg) overweight. This problem is caused by the way Americans eat. They like to eat "fast foods" like hamburgers, French fries, and pizza. These foods have lots of fat, salt, and sugar in them. People also become fat because of the amount of food they eat. Americans eat much more than they need at meals. Many Americans also eat chips and sweets between meals. Doctors say that being overweight is partly caused by too little exercise. Many Americans like driving everywhere instead of walking. In their homes, they often lie on the couch and watch TV. They do not get any regular exercise. (Mikulecky & Jefferies, 2004, p. 132)

Topic: Why are Americans fat? / America's weight problem / Obesity in America 0.5 pt

Main idea: There are some factors that contribute to America's obesity issue. 1 pt

Pattern of Organization: Cause & Effect 1 pt

Signal words: is caused by, because of 0.5 pt

Two supporting Details:

-An increased in-take of foods that are high in fat and sugar is one factor leading to obesity. 0.5 pt

-Americans exercise too little, and this influences excess weight gain. 0.5 pt

5.Responsibility, a concept basic to Reality Therapy, is here defined as the ability to fulfil one's needs, and to do so in a way that does not deprive others of the ability to fulfil their needs. To illustrate, a responsible person is able to give and receive love. If a girl, for example, falls in love with a responsible man, we would expect him either to return her love or to let her know in a considerate way that he appreciates her affection, but that he does not share her feelings. If he takes advantage of her love, we would not consider him responsible. A responsible person also does that which gives a feeling of self-worth and a feeling that he is worthwhile to others. He is motivated to strive and perhaps endure privation to attain self-worth. When a responsible person says that he will perform a job for us, he will try to accomplish what was asked.

Topic: Responsibility / A responsible person 0.5 pt

Main idea: Being a responsible person means having certain characteristics. 1 pt

Pattern of Organization: Definition and Example 1 pt

Signal words: is defined as, for example 0.5 pt

Two supporting Details:

- A responsible person is able to give and receive love. 0.5 pt

- If a girl, for example, falls in love with a responsible man, we would expect him either to return her love or to let her know in a considerate way that he appreciates her affection. 0.5 pt

Good Luck