

# “Running”

## Reading Comprehension – Short Stories <sup>(4)</sup>

Directions: Read the passage. Then answer questions about the passage below.

Dieter **loves** to run. He runs in the morning. He runs in the afternoon. He runs in the evening. He runs at night.

When he starts running, it hurts.

His legs **hurt**. His knees hurt. His back hurts. His head hurts. When he starts running, his whole body hurts.

Then, Dieter starts thinking. He starts **dreaming**.

He dreams about his job. He dreams about his home.

He dreams about his family. He dreams about his friends. He dreams about the world.

At first, running hurts. No one likes that.

When it hurts, Dieter dreams about things that do not hurt.

This is why Dieter loves running. Running gives him the best dreams.

**Sometimes**, Dieter **forgets** that he is running. Sometimes, he runs all morning. Sometimes, he runs all afternoon. Sometimes, he runs all night.

Dieter runs and dreams.



### Questions:

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| 1) When does Dieter run?<br>A. In the morning<br>B. In the afternoon<br>C. In the evening<br>D. At night<br>E. All of the above                              |
| 2) What hurts when Dieter starts running?<br>A. His neck<br>B. His hands<br>C. His back<br>D. His head<br>E. His whole body                                  |
| 3) Why does no one like running at first?<br>A. Because it takes a long time.<br>B. Because it is boring.<br>C. Because it hurts.<br>D. None of the above.   |
| 4) What does Dieter dream about?<br>A. His home.<br>B. His family.<br>C. The job.<br>D. The world.<br>E. All of the above.                                   |
| 5) Why does Dieter love to run?<br>A. Because he likes to dream.<br>B. Because he hates to walk.<br>C. Because he is crazy.<br>D. Because he likes to think. |

### Vocabulary:

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| 1) If Dieter <b>loves</b> to run, he...<br>A. really likes to run.<br>B. likes to run sometimes.<br>C. does not like to run.<br>D. hates to run.     |
| 2) When something <b>hurts</b> , it...<br>A. feels great.<br>B. feels good.<br>C. feels okay.<br>D. feels bad.                                       |
| 3) Dieter <b>dreams</b> . This means he...<br>A. cries.<br>B. sleeps.<br>C. sees things in his mind.<br>D. none of the above.                        |
| 4) If something happens <b>sometimes</b> , it happens...<br>A. everyday.<br>B. some of the time<br>C. on occasion.<br>D. rarely.<br>E. Both B and C. |
| 5) The opposite of <b>forget</b> is...<br>A. hurt.<br>B. cry.<br>C. talk.<br>D. remember<br>E. think   |