

“My Family”

Reading Comprehension – Short Stories

Directions: Read the story. Then answer the questions below.



Hi, my name is Eric. I am 12. I want to talk about my family.



I have two sisters. Their names are Rachel and Carrie. Rachel is 18 years old. Carrie is 10 years old. They are very nice.



My mother's name is Julia. She is 40 years old. My mother is also very nice.



My father's name is Andre. He is smart. He is an engineer. He builds bridges.



I also have a dog. My dog's name is Paw. He is a big dog. He is a brown dog. He is a big brown dog.

I love my family.

Questions:

1) How many sisters do I have?

- A. one
- B. two
- C. three
- D. four

2) How old is my mom?

- A. twenty-five years old
- B. thirty years old
- C. thirty-five years old
- D. forty years old

3) My dad is

- A. a doctor
- B. a lawyer
- C. an engineer
- D. a construction worker

4) What is the name of my dog?

- A. Julia
- B. Paw
- C. Andre
- D. Carrie

5) What color is my dog?

- A. He is white.
- B. He is black.
- C. He is brown.
- D. He is yellow.

6) What is the name of my younger sister?

- A. Carrie
- B. Rachel
- C. Andre
- D. Julia

7) What is the name of my older sister?

- A. Carrie
- B. Rachel
- C. Andre
- D. Julia

8) Is my dog small or big?

- A. He is small.
- B. He is big.

What is your family like? Can you describe the people in your family?

Answers and Explanations

- 1) **B**
In paragraph 2, Eric tells us that he has 2 sisters. Therefore, (B) is correct.
- 2) **D**
In paragraph 3, Eric tells us that his mother is 40 years old. Mother is another word for mom. Therefore (D) is correct.
- 3) **C**
In paragraph 4, Eric says, “my father is an engineer.” Father is another word for dad. Therefore, (C) is correct.

Even though Eric’s dad builds bridges, he is not a construction worker. Therefore, (D) is incorrect.
- 4) **B**
In paragraph 5, Eric says, “My dog’s name is Paw.” Therefore, (B) is correct.
- 5) **C**
In paragraph 5, we learn that Paw is a “brown dog.” Therefore, (C) is correct
- 6) **A**
In paragraph 2, Eric tells us that he has two sisters. Eric says, “Rachel is 18 years old. Carrie is 10 years old.” Carrie is younger than Rachel. This makes Carrie Eric’s younger sister. Therefore (A) is correct.
- 7) **B**
In paragraph 2, we learn that Eric’s sister Rachel is 18 and Eric’s sister Carrie is 10. Rachel is older than Carrie. This makes Rachel Eric’s older sister. Therefore, (B) is correct.
- 8) **B**
In paragraph 5, we learn about Eric’s dog, Paw. Eric says, “He is a big dog.” Therefore, (B) is correct.