COMPREHENSION

Books Are Our Friends

We can never be alone if we make books our friends. Books entertain us when we are bored. They motivate us when we have no hope. They cheer us up when we feel sad. We gain knowledge about different cultures, human relationships and emotions by reading books. We also learn about faraway places without actually going there. Stories describe different characters and their problems, and show how they deal with these problems. We learn to sympathize with other people and how to face difficulties in our own lives. Books give us knowledge and wisdom. Reading increases our vocabulary and communication skills.

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Answer the following questions.

1.	According to this passage, books are better than friends. True or false?
2.	How do books help us understand other people?
3.	Does reading improve our lives? How?
4.	What are the benefits of reading books?

VOCABULARY

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Write the opposites of the following words.

1. colourful	
2. neat	
3. careful	
4. good	
5. wide	
6. pull	
7. cry	
8. lost	
9. borrow	
10. up	
11. bright	

Match the words in column A with their meanings in column B.

Column A

1. pretty

12. smooth

- 2. test
- 3. pupil
- 4. shut
- 5. unclean
- 6. scary
- 7. happy
- 8. sad

Column B

- a. close
- b. student
- c. dirty
- d. beautiful
- e. exam
- f. unhappy
- g. frightening
- h. cheerful

GRAMMAR

∧ W	rite the past tense for	ns of the following verbs.			
1.	. think				
2.	. run				
3.	. lose				
4.	. eat				
5.	. drink				
6.	. build	<u> </u>			
7.	. pay				
8.	. mean				
9.	. drive				
10.	. rise				
11.	. draw				
R Fil	Fill in the blanks with the past tense forms of the verbs given in brackets.				
1.	. Hema	the head girl of the school last month. (become)			
2.	. My teacher	me how to write an essay. (teach)			
3.	Peter	the best dancer award. (get)			
4.	. Akshay	coffee for his sister. (make)			
5.	. Sarah	the letter yesterday. (write)			
6.	. Priyanka	to her friend's home yesterday. (go)			
7.	. Не	his voice low. (keep)			
8.	. I	for two weeks to finish that assignment. (work)			

WRITING

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Write a story using the outline given below.

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