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1 A Special Doctor

Personal recount
(個人記述)

sample

Anna is writing a personal recount.

Language Features



First person narrative

(第一人稱敘述)

We write a personal recount from our own point of view.



Past continuous tense

(過去進行式)

We use it to show something that continued for some time.



First conditional

(第一條件句)

We use it to tell the reader something which is likely to happen.

Brownie finally passed all his tests! He is now a doctor dog. Yesterday we visited the elderly together.

I put a scarf around his neck and we set off for Happy Elderly Home. Brownie is clever. He knows that when his scarf is on, he is going to work. It is his uniform.

It was our first visit so we were excited about it. Soon we arrived at Happy Elderly Home and joined the other volunteers and doctor dogs. A staff member led us to a room where some old people were waiting for us. When they saw us, a broad smile broke out across their faces.

Then we let them pet our dogs. Brownie was patient and friendly. He sat still and let an old lady run her hands over him again and again. Then the old lady told me about her childhood. She used to have a dog and they were great friends. She still missed her dog.

All of us had a memorable day. Unlike human doctors, Brownie and other doctor dogs cannot cure people's diseases, but **they can heal their hearts**. If there is another chance, Brownie and I will surely visit our 'patients' again.

Structure

Opening (開場)

It gives us the background of the recount. A personal recount is usually about a memorable event in the writer's life.

Body (主體)

It narrates the event. It also includes the important details (細節).

Ending (結尾)

It tells us how the writer feels or what he / she thinks.

circle (○) the correct answers.

1. What do we know from the opening?
 - A. why Anna signed Brownie up for being a doctor dog
 - B. how Brownie passed the tests
 - C. what Anna and her pet did together
 - D. how Anna felt about the event

2. How did the elderly feel when they saw the volunteers?
 - A. puzzled
 - B. happy
 - C. worried
 - D. nervous



'A broad smile broke out across their faces' 描寫甚麼表情？

3. In the ending, Anna writes, '**they can heal their hearts.**' What does this mean?
 - A. The dogs are sick.
 - B. The old people have heart diseases.
 - C. The old people don't need to see the doctor.
 - D. The dogs can make the old people happy.

Put the sentences in the correct order.

4.
 - A. The old woman ran her hands over Brownie.
 - B. Brownie became a doctor dog.
 - C. Anna and Brownie arrived at Happy Elderly Home.
 - D. The old woman talked about her dog.

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Which of the following are TRUE? Tick (✓) the correct boxes.

5.
 - a. We know the old lady's story from the body of the text.
 - b. Anna shared how she felt.
 - c. Anna won't join a similar activity again because it was boring.