

## THE TEXT

### “ I’m your wife, not your housekeeper ! ”

① Christine met Terry in 1991 when she was just divorced from her first husband. She was a single mum to Sarah, then 15, Robert, 13, and Laura, 9.

“He moved in with us and, although he worked hard, as a mechanic, he was more than willing to do his fair share of housework,” she recalls. “I had a job and we shared the cooking, cleaning and childcare. I felt lucky to have such a modern man.”

② A year after **they** married, in January 1992, Christine gave up her job as a classroom assistant and became a full-time housewife.

“ Suddenly, Terry stopped putting his dirty dishes in the sink... He also refused to help with the shopping and made unreasonable demands. He wanted tea every hour and his dinner at six sharp. He wouldn’t even let me vacuum because he hated the noise,” says Christine.

③ “ At first I thought he was tired but it soon became clear he was just being lazy. I was horrified when he told me that housework was women’s work, that he did his job during the day and didn’t expect to play housemaid at home,” she says.

④ Terry, who’s 39, says : “I love Christine but nothing could make me change again. It’s her job to stay at home and look after the kids. Some might say I have antiquated ideas – but I prefer to call **them** traditional.”

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1. READING COMPREHENSION (7 points)

1/ Complete the table with information from the text (0.5 x 4 = 2 pts)

Name	Age	Occupation	
Terry			
Christine		In the past	Now

2/ Tick (✓) the correct alternative (0.5 x 2 = 1pt)

- a. When Christine met Terry, she was living
- with her first husband.
  - with her three children.
  - with her parents.
- b. Christine stopped doing her first job
- when she was divorced from her first husband.
  - after she married Terry.
  - before she married Terry.

3/ Complete the following statements with details from the text. (0,5 x 4 = 2 pts)

- a. Christine is complaining about Terry because he ..... ,  
he ..... and he .....
- b. According to Terry, a woman's place is at home ..... after  
her children and doing housework.

4/ Tick (✓) the right alternative (0,5 x 2 = 1pt)

- a. "He moved in with us" (paragraph 1) means :
- he helped us to find a new house.
  - he started sharing housework with us.
  - he started living with us in the same house.
- b. "Some might say I have antiquated ideas" (paragraph 4) means:
- interesting.
  - ordinary.
  - not modern.

5/ What do the underlined words refer to ? (0,5 x 2 = 1pt)

- a- They (paragraph 2) refers to .....
- b- Them (paragraph 4) refers to .....



**II. LANGUAGE (8 points)**

1/ Fill in the blanks with words from the box: (0,5 x 6 = 3 pts)  
*(Be careful ! There are 2 extra words).*

dressed – before – however – crazy – after – mad – on - designers

Tracy is a teenager. She's fashion- .....  
 When she goes to parties and ceremonies, she wears clothes  
 made by famous ..... She spends a lot of money  
 ..... clothes. ...., she also likes  
 putting on jeans, trainers, sweatshirts and baseball caps. She thinks it's a  
 great relief ..... being ..... up all day.

2/ Match the sentence parts in Column A with the appropriate ones in Column B. Write your  
 answers in Column C. (0,5 x 4 = 2 pts)  
*(Be careful ! There is an extra sentence part in Column B)*

Column A	Column C	Column B
1. Mrs Peterson was worried	1 + .....	a/ to the family doctor.
2. She took her	2 + .....	b/ she had the flu.
3. He said	3 + .....	c/ and she recovered in a few days.
4. He gave her some medicine	4 + .....	d/ about her daughter's health.
		e/ he was coughing.

3/ Fill in the blanks with the right alternative from the lists on the right (0,5 x 6 = 3 pts)

Of all my relatives, I like my aunt  
 Emily the best. She's my mother's youngest  
 ① .....  
 She has never ② ..... and lives  
 alone in a small village near Bath. She likes  
 ③ ..... and gardening, and  
 she still goes for long walks over the hills. She's  
 a very ④ ..... person.  
 She's extremely generous, but not very tolerant  
 with people ⑤ ..... don't  
 agree ⑥ ..... her.

- ① niece – sister - friend
- ② married – marry - marries
- ③ read – reading - reads
- ④ active – lazy - inactive
- ⑤ when – which - who
- ⑥ of – with - on



III. WRITING (5 points)

Your school has a monthly magazine. Students write articles for the magazine, and the best ones are published.

The topic for this month is going to be ' **keeping fit** '.

Write a short article for the school magazine, suggesting ways that will help people keep fit and healthy. (8 lines)

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