

ENGLISH WRITTEN TEST - 9th grade

Name _____ Nr. _____ Class _____ Date ____/____/____
Tutor _____ Teacher _____ Evaluation _____

I. READING COMPREHENSION - Read the text below and do the tasks that follow it.

Nighthawk Ranch – A Unique Summer Camp Experience

Summer is almost here and for many it means – summer camp! In Guffey, Colorado, there is a very special camp which runs for 4 weeks each summer. Nighthawk Ranch is a non-profit camp for kids ages 10 to 18 battling cancer. The goal of Nighthawk is to provide a safe and healing environment where these brave children are able to enjoy themselves, build up their self-esteem and look towards a brighter future.



Each camper is responsible for looking after a horse for the week, the same horse they will learn to ride. Kathryn Ory, who volunteers her time as the camp photographer, noted that "most of the campers start the week a little standoffish^(a) towards each other, and somewhat shy around the horses. By the time the last day comes, they are totally different children! It is amazing to see the changes in them. I am so fortunate to witness it first hand."

Justin Dunn runs the equine therapy program. The horses that the kids care for and ride are all owned and trained by Justin. In addition to caring for their horse and learning to ride, campers get to experience other activities, like building log cabins, crafts, ropes courses, archery, and camping.

Tom and Dorothy Evans started the camp to provide a unique high mountain working ranch experience that encourages achievement through a variety of activities. They fund the camp out of their own pockets with the help of donations and the generosity of volunteers. There is never a cost to the camp attendees and their families.

Nighthawk Ranch is so much more than a summer camp, it's a truly memorable experience for children and their families.

^(a) distant, unfriendly

In <http://cowboymagic.com/nighthawk-ranch-unique-summer-camp-experience> - abridged and adapted

A. True (T) or False (F)? Quote from the text to justify all your answers.

1. Nighthawk Ranch is open all summer.
2. It was created for children with health problems.
3. They can improve their confidence there.
4. Children can only look after the horses.
5. The camp offers mainly academic activities.
6. Campers have to pay to attend this camp.

C. Find in the text the equivalents for the following words.

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|----------------|-------|------------------|-------|---------------|-------|
| 1. fighting | _____ | 2. protected | _____ | 3. courageous | _____ |
| 4. introverted | _____ | 5. incredible | _____ | 6. lucky | _____ |
| 7. diversity | _____ | 8. unforgettable | _____ | | |

B. Answer these questions on the text.

1. Do campers get along right from the start? Justify.

2. Justin Dunn runs the equine therapy program. What is he responsible for?

3. How do Tom and Dorothy Evans finance the camp?

II. EXTREME SPORTS/ACTIVITIES

A. Label the following pictures.



1. q _____ b _____ 2. b _____ 3. s _____ k _____ 4. s _____

B. Choose from the activities above one you would like to try and justify your answer.

I would like to try _____ because _____

_____.

III. GRAMMAR

Use either the PAST SIMPLE or PAST CONTINUOUS and complete the sentences.

Yesterday morning, it ⁽¹⁾ _____ (rain) heavily. Ned ⁽²⁾ _____ (play) board games inside his tent with a few friends. But they ⁽³⁾ _____ (not have) much fun since they wanted to hang out outside. Suddenly, the electricity light ⁽⁴⁾ _____ (go) out. Ned ⁽⁵⁾ _____ (sit) by the plastic window feeling completely disappointed. While he ⁽⁶⁾ _____ (watch) the rain, his mobile phone ⁽⁷⁾ _____ (ring). His mother was calling to say she ⁽⁸⁾ _____ (come) for a visit. While they were chatting the rain ⁽⁹⁾ _____ (stop), but Ned ⁽¹⁰⁾ _____ (not notice) it.

IV. WRITING

Imagine you are spending a two-week holiday at a summer camp. It is the second week. Write an email to a friend telling him/her about this experience . Write about 100 words.

Email template with fields for To..., Cc..., Subject: and a rich text editor with a toolbar (Arial, font size 10, bold, italic, underline, bullet points, numbered list, link, unlink) and a large area of horizontal lines for writing.