

THE TEXT

(1) This Saturday, like every other Caroline Fidd, 34, will tackle a mountain of housework, in between, entertaining her two lively sons, Michael and Steven. In the evening she'll bath the boys and get them(1) off to bed before preparing supper for her husband Gary. And where will he be while all this exhausting activity is going on? In the football stands* with his mates. I watch Chelsea every Saturday, says Gary.

(2) Gary, 36, who's the director of an insurance company, has an ability to avoid domestic jobs and yet he insists he's not selfish. Look, I love my family but I need my own time and space. My wife knew I was mad about football when we married. Caroline's a full-time mum and has all day to herself when the boys are at school. I work long hours and need some fun. I insist that men and women do need to spend time away from each other with their own friends and interests.

(3) It makes the relationship more interesting. But if I had to choose between football and my wife, I'd opt for football.

(4) I could always find another wife - but Chelsea's irreplaceable. Caroline seems to accept the situation. She admits she's not always happy with it(2) but because Gary is the sole breadwinner she'd feel guilty if she made too many demands on him.

(5) « On the whole I don't mind, although I do get angry now and then I'd like him to be at home more but Gary works very hard so I suppose he has a right to enjoy himself ».

English Manual

the football stands* : the football stadiums.

Breadwinner* : Person responsible for earning money in a family .

READING COMPREHENSION (15 pts)

1. answer the questions . Tick the suitable box. (3 pts)

	Caroline	Gary
A. Who is fond of football ?		
B. Who entertains the children ?		
C. who is unhappy about his situation ?		

2. Fill in the table with the missing information (2 pts)

	Age	Occupation
Gary		
Caroline		

3. Choose the correct alternative (2 pts)

1. Gary watches Chelsea with his (a) wife (b) son (c) friends
 2. (a) Caroline (b) a babysitter (c) Gary takes care of the children

4. Correct the false statements (2 pts)

* Caroline Fidd thinks that her husband doesn't have any right to enjoy himself .

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* Gary Fidd believes his wife is irreplaceable compared to Chelsea .

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5. What do the underlined words refer to ? (2 pts)

1. them (parg. 1).....
 2. it (parg 4).....

6. Find words / expressions meaning (2 pts)

- * from time to time (parg 5).....
 * crazy (parg 2).....

7. Fill in the table below . (2 pts)

A Cause	B Effect
	Gary needs some fun.
Gary is the sole breadwinner	

LANGUAGE (10 pts)

1 . choose the correct alternative (3 pts)

In June 1990, jimmy (**sends / sent / sending**) his parents a letter containing his final reports . His letter ended < say hi > to every one for me . no one (**to / from / at**) his family (**ever / never / either**) heard from him again. He drove West out of Atlanta, and invented a new (**live / life / lives**) for (**themselves / itself / himself**) with a new name . he left his car in some woods (**but / and / than**) burned all his money .

2 Fill in the blanks with the correct missing words. There is an extra word. (3 pts)

blind – confident - was able to - attend - a lot of - relieved - hard

A small local reading center was open in our village. When my turn came tolitteracy classes, I studied veryand in six months I.....read and write . Today whenever I get newspapers, I enjoy .reading them. It is like beingor like aman who has regained his sight.Now there is a great difference andchange will take place.

4. Match A with B. There's an extra part in B (4 pts).

A	B
1. Children are becoming so obsessed with the Internet	a. their children will become computer addicts .
2. 46 per cent of British parents believe their children	b. west London who has become a computer addict.
3. At the same time,55 per cent of parents fear	c. that nearly half prefer their computers to their friends
4. A report cites the example of Alexander Feldmen, 13, from	d. there,s so much important information on the internet .
	e. are so busy playing with computers .

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