



Fertigkeit	Lesen
Relevante(r) Deskriptor(en)	Deskriptor 1: Kann kurze, einfache persönliche Briefe, Karten oder E-Mails verstehen. (A2)
Themenbereich(e)	Kindheit und Erwachsenwerden Gedanken, Empfindungen und Gefühle
Zeitbedarf	12 Minuten
Länge des Lesetextes	Etwa 400 Wörter (Briefe und Antworten)
Material- und Medienbedarf	Schreibmaterial
Besondere Bemerkungen, Hinweise zur Durchführung	---
Quelle	Gerngroß, Günter, Herbert Puchta, und Michael Schratz. <i>English for YOU & ME. Aufgabensammlung für Schularbeiten und Tests für die 1. bis 4. Klasse der HS und AHS</i> . Wien/London: Langenscheidt-Longman, 1988. S. 133. [adaptiert]

**TEEN ADVICE**

Melanie works for a teen magazine. Every day she receives hundreds of letters, in which teenagers tell her about their problems and ask her for advice.

Read the following four letters (A, B, C, D) and then find out which letter goes with which answer (1 – 6). Write the correct number in each box.

Be careful – two answers do NOT match a letter!

Letters

 **A**

Dear Melanie,
I used to get on well with everybody in my family, but now I'm unhappy at home. My parents don't understand me at all. They want me to stay at home and either do my homework, or help with the housework. I want to leave home, but I don't know where to go.

John, 15

B

Dear Melanie,
I can't decide what I want to do after I leave school, but I am very interested in animals. Maybe it would be fun to work in a zoo as a zookeeper. Do I have to be an apprentice¹ first? I'll be your friend for life if you help me!

Clint, 14

C

Dear Melanie,
Last week I read an article in the newspaper about a medicine for people who are too thin. I want to know where I can buy it and how quickly it works. I'm quite worried about my figure, and it's also difficult to find clothes that are small enough for me. Please help me!

Sarah, 13

D

Dear Melanie,
There's a new boy in my class that I really like. I'd like to go out with him, but he doesn't seem to notice me. My mum says I should invite him to our house for dinner. Do you think it's ok for a girl to ask a boy out on a date? I'll wait for your answer.

Maryanne, 14

¹ apprentice – *Lehrling*



Answers

- 1) Ask your father or mother to go to your family doctor with you. I think she/he will certainly be able to help you.
- 2) You should be aware that working in this job isn't easy. You have to be very patient and you should be willing to do a lot of preparation at home. Are you absolutely sure you would enjoy working with kids?
- 3) The worst you can do is to run away. Be patient with your parents, because, you know, being a parent isn't an easy job. I am sure they love you just as much as your little brother.
- 4) Be courageous! I don't see why you shouldn't ask him. You have nothing to lose really. He can only say "No".
- 5) I would recommend trying to talk to them again. Give them a chance to present their point of view. If that doesn't work, ask a relative to help you to talk about your problems.
- 6) There is usually a waiting list for this job. Maybe you could try and help at weekends before you decide. In this job the money isn't very good and you'll often have to work on Saturdays or Sundays.



A → 5

B → 6

C → 1

D → 4