

Read the selection below and answer the following questions.

Connor packed his suitcase and sighed as he squeezed it shut. He didn't particularly want to work at a camp as a counsellor-in-training this summer, but his parents had insisted he do something "productive" with his time off.

"Are you ready to go?" Connor's dad called up the stairs.

"Almost," Connor quipped back. He picked up his suitcase in one hand and grabbed his phone in the other. He just received a text and was curious who it might be.

"I'm coming," Connor said as he made his way down the stairs.

"Great. Let's put that suitcase in the car and get going before heavy traffic sets in."

Connor started to read his text. It was from his good friend, Raj.

"Who's that from?" Connor's dad queried as he started the car engine.

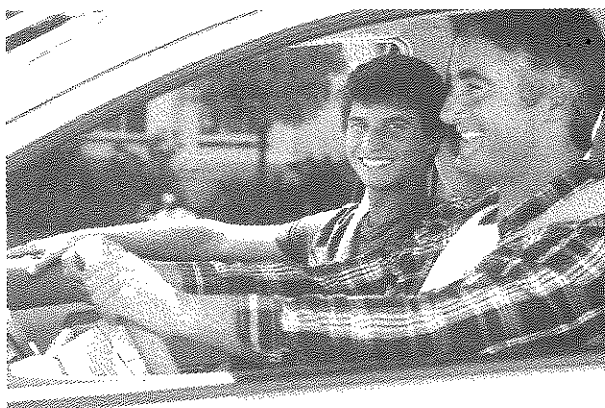
"Raj."

"Oh, that's nice. He's probably wishing you luck as a counsellor-in-training. You know, Connor, I completely understand that you aren't too excited about leaving your friends and going up north. But this will be such a terrific experience. You will meet new people, take on responsibility and get volunteer hours too. The lake at the camp is fabulous. I really think you are going to warm to the idea as time goes on."

"Yes, I think you are right, Dad," Connor answered.

Connor's dad was surprised by the change in tone in his son's voice. "Well, you sound a lot more chipper," he exclaimed.

"I am." Connor smiled mischievously. "You know that was Raj who texted me, right?"



"Yes."

Connor was laughing, "His parents have signed him up to be a counsellor-in-training at the same camp."

His father smiled, "Well, what do you know? That's good news for Raj, you and me."

Multiple-Choice (Circle the best or most correct answer.)

1 What is the purpose of this reading selection?

- A to compare summer camps
- B to describe driving
- C to entertain with an anecdote
- D to explain counsellor-in-training

2 What had Connor's parents insisted he do this summer?

- A get a job
- B go to camp
- C spend time with Raj
- D be productive

3 Which is closest in meaning to "queried" as used in paragraph 7?

- A asked
- B answered
- C yelled
- D said

4 Which of the following is **not** a reason Connor's father listed for working as a counsellor-in-training?

- A to meet new people
- B to get away from friends
- C to take on responsibility
- D to get volunteer hours

5 Why did Connor sound a lot happier after getting the text from Raj?

- A Connor no longer had to go to camp.
- B Raj was going to visit Connor.
- C Raj was going to be a counsellor-in-training at the same camp.
- D Raj was coming over to say goodbye.

Tip: Go back and reread the sentence in the selection replacing "queried" with each option.

Turn the page to complete this section.

- 6** Why did Connor's father want Connor to be a counsellor-in-training? Use specific details from the selection to support your answer.

- 7** Why was Raj's text good news for Raj, Connor and Connor's father? Use specific details from the selection to support your answer.

Rough Notes

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