

This letter appeared in the «Advice Column» of a famous American magazine:

Dear Annie,

My name is Ernest and i would be very grateful if you could advise me on how to solve a problem I have with my wife Linda. I can't believe what's happening. Everything has been so marvellous between us so far. When we got married five years ago, she couldn't wait to leave her job as a secretary in an office and raise a family with me. But now everything has changed.

Lately, she's driving me crazy with her new ideas of returning to school and having her own career. I don't mind if she has a career. But not now. We have a small baby. She is quite obstinate and wants to leave the baby with a babysitter. I can't accept that! A young child needs a mother's love and affection. I can't see some stranger raising my children. Linda's always complaining about her situation. She says she's bored. I know a lot of women who are happy to be home taking care of their family.

I work hard all day to earn a living so we can live comfortably. Then I have to come home and listen to her complaints. I try to help around the house and with the baby, not like most other husbands. What more can she expect? why can't she wait until we have at least another child? linda's abandoning me, the baby, our dreams, everything we wanted when we got married. If she continues like this, we'll end up by getting divorced, and that's a pity.

What solution do you suggest?

Yours

Ernest

**I. COMPREHENSION: 15 pts**

**A. Are these sentences true or false ?Justify**

**8 points**

1. Ernest has a problem at work.

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2. Linda had a job before she got married.

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3. Ernest would like to have more children.

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4 Ernest would be happy if he divorced his wife.

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**B. Answer these questions :**

**3 pts**

1. Where was Ernest's letter published?

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2. How long have Linda and Ernest been married?

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3. Why does Linda want to have career now?

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**C. Fill in each blank with the appropriate word from the text**

**2points**

1. According to Ernest a ..... should take care of her children.

2. Ernest wants Annie to help him find a .....

**D. What do the underlined words in the text refer to?**

**2points**

1. Us (paragraph 1) : ..... That (paragraph 2) : .....



**Vocabulary:5pts**

**A. Use the words in capitals to make words which fit in the space : 1.5 pts**

- 1.Alex asked his teacher for some..... on what career he should follow. ADVISE
- 2.The reason for his disappearance remains..... . KNOWN
- 3.Sam was very surprised at the delivery of the ..... Package. MYSTERY

**B. Complete the sentences with the correct prepositions:1.5pts**

- 1.They said the school is haunted.....ghosts.
- 2.Did you compare life on Mars.....life on earth ?
- 3.I want to know what is going on .....your mind.

**C. Complete the sentences with the correct form of these phrasal verbs: 2 pts**

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| Call off    set up    run out    run into    help out    save up |
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- 1.I am afraid my patience with him is about to .....
- 2.If we were really short of money I am sure my parents would.....us .....
- 3.At the age of 45 he .....a commercial property business.
- 4.It took me ages to ..... Enough money to buy a new car.

**Grammar:10pts**

**A. Read what these people are sorry about and then change the sentences into wishes: 3pt**

- 1.I want sara to stop talking about her private life.  
I wish.....
- 2.I don't know anything about computers and my computer has just broken down.  
I wish.....
- 3.you were on vacation and you wanted to take photographs ,but you didn't bring your camera.  
I wish .....

**B.Rewrite the sentences using the passive voice .begin with the words given:1.5 pts**

- 1.Angela showed me some pictures of French film stars.  
I.....
- 2.The teacher hasn't explained the exercises to us yet.  
The exercises.....
3. You mustn't open this door.  
This door.....

**C.Fill in the gap with the right form write conditional type 1 or 2 :1.5 pts**

- 1.What would happen if you.....(not pay ) the bill today ?
- 2.If you..... ( feed ) your cat less , she wouldn't be so fast.
- 3.What..... you ..... (do) if it rains next weekend ?

**D. Put the correct modals in the right form.4pts**

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| Can't    must    mustn't |
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- 1.Frank : I think the baby is hungry.  
Henry: He ..... be hungry !I've just fed him.
- 2.Theresa : You .....be quite tired after playing football all afternoon.  
Vince : No , not really! I feel fine.
- 3.Sheila : Our neighbour's garden is so beautiful, when do they find the time to take care of it!  
Diana : They..... have a gardener; they..... do all that work by  
Themselves because they both work long hours.



**Writing Link :**

You do voluntary work for a charity and you have recently visited one of the projects set up by the charity to help poor people. Write an article describing the project for your college newspaper.

- ✓ **Paragraph 1 :** Introduce the project by giving its name and saying where it is.
- ✓ **Paragraph 2 :** say what the project is .
- ✓ **Paragraph 3 :** Describe the project in detail. Talk about what has been built and what has been done by the people who worked on the project.
- ✓ **Paragraph 4 :** End your description, saying something about how you feel about the project.

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