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SECTION 1: READING

ONCE upon a time, in a town called Puddleby, there was a doctor. His name was Dolittle—John Dolittle. He liked animals and had many kinds of pets. Then one day his sister, Sarah Dolittle, said, "John, how can you expect sick people to come and see you when you keep all these animals in the house? We are getting poorer every day. If you go on like this, none of the best people will have you for a doctor." "But I like the animals better than the 'best people'," said the Doctor. "You are ridiculous," said his sister, and walked out of the room.

So, as time went on, the Doctor got more and more animals; and the people who came to see him got less and less. One day the Doctor was sitting in his kitchen talking with a friend who had come to see him with a stomach-ache. "Why don't you give up being a people's doctor, and be an animal-doctor?" asked the man. The Doctor's parrot, Polynesia, was sitting in the window listening. When the friend had gone, the parrot flew on to the Doctor's table and said, "That man's got sense. That's what you ought to do. Be an animal-doctor." "Oh, there are plenty of animal-doctors," said John Dolittle. "Yes, there ARE plenty," said Polynesia. "But none of them are any good at all. Now listen, Doctor, and I'll tell you something. Did you know that animals can talk?" "I knew that parrots can talk," said the Doctor. "Oh, we parrots can talk in two languages—people's language and bird-language," said Polynesia proudly. "If I say, 'Polly wants a cracker,' you understand me. But hear this: Ka-ka oi-ee, fee-fee?" "Good Gracious!" cried the Doctor. "What does that mean?" "That means, 'Is the porridge hot yet?'—in bird-language." "Tell me some more," said the Doctor, and he rushed over to the dresser-drawer to get paper and a pencil. "Now don't go too fast—and I'll write it down. This is interesting—very interesting—something quite new. Teach me the Birds' A.B.C. first—slowly now."

So that was the way the Doctor came to know that animals had a language of their own and could talk to one another. After a while, with the parrot's help, the Doctor got to learn the language of the animals so well that he could talk to them himself and understand everything they said. Then he stopped being a people's doctor altogether.

As soon as every one knew that John Dolittle was going to be an animal-doctor, old ladies brought him their little dogs who had eaten too much cake; and farmers came to show him sick cows and sheep. One day a plow-horse was brought to him; and the poor thing was very happy to find a man who could speak horse-language.

"You know, Doctor," said the horse, "that veterinarian over the hill knows nothing at all. What I need is SPECTACLES. I am going blind in one eye. There's no reason why horses shouldn't wear glasses, the same as people. But that stupid man over the hill never even looked at my eyes. He kept on giving me big pills. I tried to tell him; but he couldn't understand a word of horse-language. What I need is spectacles." "Of course—of course," said the Doctor. "I'll get you some at once." "I would like a pair like yours," said the horse—"only green." So John Dolittle got a fine, big pair of green spectacles; and the plow-horse stopped going blind in one eye and could see as well as ever. And soon it was common to see farm-animals wearing glasses in the country round Puddleby.

And so it was with all the other animals that were brought to him. As soon as they found that he could talk their language, they told him where the pain was and how they felt, and of course it was easy for him to cure them.

-Adapted from The Story of Doctor Dolittle by Hugh Lofting

Answer the questions in complete sentences.

1. Who is Sarah Dolittle?

2. What does Sarah tell Dr. Dolittle to do?

3. What does Dr. Dolittle prefer, people or animals?

4. What kind of animal is Polynesia?

5. What is Polynesia's advice?

6. How does Polynesia help Dr. Dolittle?

7. What does the horse want Dr. Dolittle to give him?

8. How is Dr. Dolittle different from the first veterinarian the horse visited? Copy a sentence from the text that proves your answer.

9. Do you think Dr. Dolittle's life will be different now that he is a veterinarian? How? (2 points)

SECTION 2: GRAMMAR AND VOCABULARY

Put the words in the right order.

1. a / was / very / John Dolittle / doctor / good

2. to / could / animals / he / talk

3. with / sister / him / lived / John's

4. Polynesia / animals' / John / speak / taught / the / language / to

5. horse / pair / of / a / green / the / glasses / wanted

Fill in the blanks with the verb in parentheses. Make sure you use the correct tense.

- A. Today, the circus _____ (come) to Puddleby. Dr. Dolittle _____ (go) with his sister Sarah. Dr. Dolittle and Sarah don't _____ (like) the circus because they _____ (think) the animals are treated badly. Dr. Dolittle has some money in his pocket. He _____ (want) to buy the animals from the circus.
- B. I wish I _____ (can) talk to animals the way Dr. Dolittle does. I _____ (have) a dog that always _____ (want) things, but I never _____ (know) what he _____ (want)! If he _____ (bark), I think he _____ (want) to go outside, but then he always _____ (come) right back in again. If he _____ (look) hungry, my mom _____ (feed) him, but then he _____ (do not eat)!
- C. One time, when the circus _____ (come) to Puddleby, the crocodile who _____ (have) a bad tooth-ache _____ (escape) at night and _____ (go) into the Doctor's garden. The Doctor _____ (talk) to him in crocodile-language and took him into the house and _____ (make) his tooth better. But when the crocodile _____ (see) what a nice house it _____ (be), he too wanted to live with the Doctor. He _____ (say), "If you let me live here, I'll be a vegetarian!" But then the old ladies _____ (be) afraid to send their lap-dogs to Doctor Dolittle because of the crocodile.

Circle the answer that best fits in the blank.

1. The dog is hiding _____ the table.
A. on B. in C. under D. around
2. Dr. Dolittle lived _____ the town of Puddleby.
A. on B. in C. under D. around
3. Dr. Dolittle's patients were afraid _____ the alligator.
A. of B. off C. about D. for
4. Dr. Dolittle had holes _____ his stockings.
A. on B. in C. for D. from
5. Dr. Dolittle was _____ because his patients weren't interesting.
A. boring B. bored
6. Whenever there was an emergency, he went _____ to see the patient.
A. fast B. fastly C. quickly D. sometimes
7. He carried a _____ doctor's bag.
A. black small leather B. small black leather C. leather small black
8. The horse couldn't see _____ the doctor gave him spectacles.
A. before B. when C. after D. because
9. The doctor is away, but he'll be back _____ teatime.
A. until B. by C. when D. because
10. He's very good _____ speaking to animals.
A. for B. in C. of D. at

Circle the spelling or grammar mistake in each sentence. Then re-write the sentence correctly.

1. Is you going to see Dr. Dolittle?

2. I want take my cat to a Doctor who has a crocodile! She could get eaten!

3. I usually taking my cat to see the other veterinarian.

4. But the other veterinarian didn't no why she was sick.

5. Maybe he did'nt give her the right medicine.

SECTION 3: WRITING

Finish the sentences. Choose two (2) sentences to finish.

A. The best holiday (vacation) I ever had was... _____
because... _____

B. The coolest present I ever got was... _____
because... _____

C. Some day I want to ... _____

D. My favorite fictional (imaginary) person is ... _____
because... _____

E. The best thing about my family
is... _____

Write a short composition (**at least one full page**) on the following topic. Remember to make it interesting and use description and dialogue.

The day I learned to talk to animals
