

Life Upper-intermediate Writing worksheet

Answer key

Units 9 & 10 Writing an online blog entry and comment

1 Students' own answers

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3 4 I'm rather disorganized, but I'm funny and generally a good person.

1 Young people in general who like reading about everyday problems

3 The details of an event that happened to me.

2 They know me and they like reading about people like themselves.

4 1 – contracted form, 3 – exclamation, 4 – shorter sentence, 2 – emoji, 5 – phrase to show humour

5 contracted form: *you're*

exclamation: *Absolutely!, No way!*

shorter sentence: *No point taking ..., Not surprised ..., not cool ...*

emoji: exasperated face, embarrassed face, thumbs up, sad face

phrase to show humour: *And you're so right about washing up.*

6 1 It's not / It isn't very surprising. / Not very surprising.

2 They can't do anything. / Can't do anything.

3 I don't agree with you. / Don't agree (with you).

4 I've lost / Lost at least 2 phones.

7 *massive* – big, *boiling* – hot, *fabulous* – good, bad – terrible, boring – dull

8 Possible answer

Blog topic: Me and my friends

Blog entry title: One problem after another

9 Students' own answers

10 A link to the previous entry: *Following on from last week's post ...*

A question: *How many of us ...?*

11 Possible answers

1 Who might read my blog? students / young adults

2 Why might they want to read my blog? To read about the relationships I have with my friends.

3 What information do I want to give? An account of the problems one of my friends had and what did to help.

4 What impression do I want to give? That friends are important to me and that I'm a good friend.

12 Model answer

One problem after another

Hello friends! Thank you for your hilarious comments from last week's post. You might be surprised to know that this week's entry is on a much more serious note: how do we help our friends with their problems?

My best friend Ana has had the most terrible luck this month. First, she broke her arm. Well – no, SHE didn't break her arm – someone knocked her off her bike. 😊 This meant she couldn't work and had to quit her part-time job at the café, which she loved. On top of that, last week it was her birthday. She doesn't have any family here so there she was with her broken arm, no money to go out and celebrate her birthday and no family to help her celebrate it. 😞

I couldn't stand seeing my friend so sad! I quickly got in touch with the café owner and explained everything. Before I knew it, we had a birthday party organized right there in the café. An AMAZING night ... Ana couldn't believe it. I'm just glad to see her smiling again. (181 words)

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