

## Unit 7 The Challenge of Writing

### Reading Comprehension

#### A. Main Reading

##### Circle the best answers.

1. What did Theodor Geisel write?  
a. Books for children  
b. Books for doctors  
c. Books for cats  
d. Books for parents
2. Why did Geisel not like kids' readers?  
a. They were fun.  
b. They taught kids to read.  
c. They did not teach about life.  
d. They did not teach about hats.
3. What name did Geisel use on his books?  
a. Theodor  
b. The Cat  
c. Dr. Seuss  
d. Dr. Geisel
4. How many words are used in *Green Eggs and Ham*?  
a. 50  
b. 62  
c. 125  
d. 225
5. Who drew the pictures for Geisel's books?  
a. Geisel's wife  
b. Geisel's editor  
c. Geisel himself  
d. Children and their parents

#### B. Focus on Language

##### Circle the correct words.

6. Kaitlin does not like the book, but she (under the name of / still) has to read it for homework.
7. Women authors often used to write (under the name of / still) a man in order to get published.
8. This book is so (interested / interesting); I can't stop reading it.
9. Donald is very (tired / tiring) from hiking all day.
10. The students were (bored / boring) because the class was (bored / boring).

#### C. Focus on Strategies

##### Write T for True or F for False.

11. In *The Lorax*, Dr. Seuss wrote that nothing gets better if people really care. \_\_\_\_\_
12. In *Oh, the Places You'll Go*, he wrote, "You have brains in your shoes." \_\_\_\_\_
13. In *One Fish, Two Fish, Red Fish, Blue Fish*, he wrote that fun is good. \_\_\_\_\_
14. In *Horton Hears a Who!* he wrote that everyone's ideas are important. \_\_\_\_\_

##### Write the correct words in the blanks.

did   steer   open   try

15. "You can \_\_\_\_\_ yourself in any direction you choose," means you should choose what you do in life.  
"\_\_\_\_\_ them and you may, I say," means you should do new things.  
"If you never \_\_\_\_\_, you should," means you should do new things.  
"So, \_\_\_\_\_ your mouth, lad, for every voice counts!" means you should say what you think.