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1. Read the following article and answer the questions

ACHIEVE YOUR DREAM

‘Achieve your dream’ is a charity which we set up to help make young people’s lives better. There are so many pressures on young people today – exams, worries about their lives, the need to do well and fit in – that we saw a real need to make good things happen for these young people.

‘Achieve your dream’ was set up in 1997 by a group of businessmen and women. We want to help young people achieve their dream and to have happier and healthier lives. All you have to do is write to us and inspire us with your dream. When you apply, your letter will be read and we will respond to it within three weeks – so you don’t have to wait a long time to find out whether you will live your dream!

Your dream is up to you! It could be anything from learning how to snowboard or canoe to having the chance to abseil a building, climb a mountain or fly in a glider. You might dream of doing something incredible but too expensive to even consider, or you might simply want an experience that is out of this world. We haven’t run any trips to the moon just yet, but some young people *have* had the chance to touch the skies!

‘Achieve your dream’ has the money and the people that can make things happen for you. We have thousands of companies and celebrities who want to help make a difference.

1. ‘Achieve your dream’ is a money making institution. TRUE FALSE

2. Why did they set up ‘Achieve your dream’?

3. What do you have to do to if you want ‘Achieve your dream’ to help you?

4. If your dream is not accepted, they will not answer you. TRUE FALSE

5. What kind of dreams are accepted by ‘Achieve your dream’?

2. Go on reading about ‘Achieve your dream’ and complete the text with the correct form of the verbs in brackets. When you see a + use a modal

‘Achieve your dream’ has helped thousands of young people to have an experience that they will remember for a lifetime:

- Rachel had her chance _____ (dance) on stage in London’s West End in a performance of the ballet ‘Swan Lake’. She _____ (always want) to be a dancer and she says that the experience made her ‘determined to go for her dream of becoming a dancer’.
- Kelvin asked for a chance to fly with the Red Arrows. He took part in an air show and says that ‘his feet still _____ (not touch) the ground yet!’
- Colette had her chance to go on safari and see elephants in their natural habitat: ‘I _____ (always be) mad about elephants and to have the chance to see them in the wild is a dream come true. We had an amazing experience and I _____ (+love) to do it all over again!’

There _____ (+be) something that you have always wanted to do or _____ (+like) to try, perhaps something you have read about online or seen on TV.

You _____ (+do) something to learn a new skill or show off your talents. Whatever you choose, your dream is up to you!

So how can this happen for me?

You _____ (+apply) by letter, typed or handwritten.

Only 700 young people _____ (selected) each year to achieve their dream so follow the instructions to make sure your letter is one of the ones we select.

3. Read about this dream come true and complete the blanks with a suitable linking word

Salma Hayek was born in Mexico in 1966. She was sure of what she wanted to do at an early age. _____ she was 12, Hayek told her father that _____ he let her go to school in the United States, she would fail all her courses on purpose. Her parents were not _____ very angry but _____ a bit scared and thought that she might really go ahead and fail school. Then they saw her at a school play. She was _____ a good actress that her parents finally decided to let Salma study in the USA. Her English was not _____ good as her Spanish, _____ she started taking English lessons. A few years _____, she became a student at an acting school in California.

At the age of 14, Salma discovered painter Frida Kahlo. She went to her house in Mexico City, _____ there is a museum now, and decided she wanted to make a movie about her. Even _____ Frida had died years ago, Salma was very enthusiastic. In 2002, Hayek’s dream came true. She played the part of the famous artist in a hit film called *Frida*.

4. Read about another dream and complete the blanks with ONE word

Walt Disney was a well-known film producer and an innovator in animation design. He created a number of the world’s _____ famous animation heroes, _____ Mickey Mouse, Donald Duck, Felix the Cat and many others.

During his childhood, Walt and his family never stayed in one place _____ too long. He got _____ to moving all around the United States, but he didn’t like it much. Finally, young Walt arrived in Los Angeles and decided he _____ stay there. He had as _____ as \$40 and an unfinished cartoon in his suitcase.

Disney’s first wish was to become a film director. He was not good _____ to direct live-action films, so Disney turned back to animation. His first Hollywood cartoon “studio” was a garage in his uncle’s house. Walt borrowed some money _____ his brother Roy and asked for his help with opening the studio. Roy agreed and this was the beginning of the Disney Brothers’ Studio.

Walt Disney died _____ December 15, 1966, several years before the opening of his "Walt Disney World" dream project in Orlando, Florida. The famous Disneyland and Walt Disney World resort parks in the United States, France, Japan and China _____ named in his memory.

5. Complete the interview to Ron, a young boy who has a dream.

Interviewer: Tell us about your dream. _____ about?

Ron: I’d like to make a short film about my neighbourhood, but I don’t have enough money to do it!

Interviewer: _____?

Ron: Because I’d like people to know how we live there and maybe then help us build a social club.

Interviewer: _____?

Ron: Yes, I would need my friends to help me with some of the filming details.

Interviewer: _____?

Ron: I would need at least two months to complete the project.

Interviewer: Now, tell me. _____?

Ron: I don’t know exactly, but it would be quite a lot of money!

6. Composition. Write about 70 – 90 words on one of the following

- Write a letter to ‘Achieve your dream’ telling them about yourself and a dream you would like to come true

OR

- “It was just another rainy Sunday afternoon” (first sentence)