

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> June 2020

WALT Answer questions about a text

Today you will need to read the letter and answer questions about it.

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Dear Mrs Halloway,

I am writing about a product of yours that my eight-year-old daughter, Lola, purchased recently. Lola had seen your Almighty Chewing Gum advertised on television and she was very impressed by your claims that it was the 'tastiest yet' and 'the healthiest chewing gum around'. She decided to spend some of her pocket money to buy a stick of the gum for herself, as well as one for her best friend, Oskar.

Imagine her surprise when, on trying the gum, she found that it did not taste of mint as she had expected. Instead, she found that it tasted of overcooked broccoli! Now, my daughter is not a fussy child. She understands that it is important to consume vegetables as part of a healthy balanced diet. But chewing gum that tastes of broccoli? Surely this is a step too far?

Similarly, when Lola's friend Oskar tried his stick of Almighty Chewing Gum, he discovered that it had an extremely strong asparagus flavour. Unfortunately, Oskar is a much fussier eater than my daughter. I am afraid to report that the revolting taste of his chewing gum actually caused him to vomit on the spot.

Frankly, I am appalled. Why did your advertisement not make it clear that your chewing gum would not taste of the typical mint flavour? You have tricked an innocent child into wasting her money on foul-tasting sweets. I think this is nothing less than daylight robbery!

I have two requests for you now. Firstly, I would like you to stop broadcasting your misleading adverts. Secondly, I would like to know what compensation you are going to offer Lola and Oskar for the distress caused.

I look forward to hearing from you very soon.

Yours sincerely,



Ms P. Watson

## Comprehension questions

1. In which county does Ms P. Watson live?
2. What is the name of Lola's best friend?
3. What claims did the advert make about Almighty Chewing Gum? Name **one**.
4. *'She understands that it is important to consume vegetables ...'*

Circle the word closest in meaning to **consume**.

chop

choose

cook

eat

5. What happened to Oskar when he tried the chewing gum?
6. What does Ms Watson think was wrong about Mrs Halloway's advert?
7. Look at the paragraph which begins: *'Frankly, I am ...'*

Find and copy a word which means **normal**.



8. Using information from the text, tick one box in each row to show whether each statement is a **fact** or an **opinion**:

	Fact	Opinion
Lola bought two sticks of chewing gum.		
It is a step too far to have chewing gum which tastes of broccoli.		
The chewing gum had a revolting taste.		

## Comprehension answers

1. In which county does Ms P. Watson live?

**Shropshire**

2. What is the name of Lola's best friend?

**Oskar**

3. What claims did the advert make about Almighty Chewing Gum? Name **one**.

**Either:**

a. it's the 'tastiest yet'

b. it's 'the healthiest chewing gum around'

4. *'She understands that it is important to consume vegetables ...'*

Circle the word closest in meaning to **consume**.

chop

choose

cook

**eat**

5. What happened to Oskar when he tried the chewing gum?

**He vomited.**

6. What does Ms Watson think was wrong about Mrs Halloway's advert?

**Ms Watson thinks that the advert should have made it clear that the chewing gum would not taste of mint.**

7. Look at the paragraph which begins: *'Frankly, I am ...'*

Find and copy a word which means **normal**.

**Typical.**

8. Using information from the text, tick one box in each row to show whether each statement is a **fact** or an **opinion**:

	Fact	Opinion
Lola bought two sticks of chewing gum.	X	
It is a step too far to have chewing gum which tastes of broccoli.		X
The chewing gum had a revolting taste.		X

