

Model Answers

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1. first-person; She moved to Mexico earlier this year.
2. third-person; I didn't know what to say so I was quiet.
3. first-person; They meet every day after school.
4. first-person; "How do you like your tutor?" her teacher asked.
5. first-person; He answered, "He is very helpful."

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Possible responses:

1. I use a friendly approach when trying to make new friends.
2. You can communicate some things using gestures.
3. Some of the resources I use at school are paper, pens, and a dictionary.
4. My response to the idea of an extended school year is a mixed one.

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1. Yu-Lan was afraid of being laughed at for not speaking English.
2. Her mother suggested that they both work together every day to learn five new words at a time.

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1. Yu-Lan's mother also learned English and eventually went to college.
2. The speaker compares her family to a quilt. It is warm even in cold (difficult) times and is made up of pieces of fabric patched together. A family is made up of an assortment of people, all "stitched together" by family ties.

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1. The class was too large—there were too many people in it.
2. She could not speak English.
3. They wanted to learn English so Yu-Lan would be comfortable at school and both would have more opportunities.
4. She cared deeply about her children. She was a role model and made sacrifices for them.
5. Possible response: One can overcome difficulties in small steps.
6. Possible response: Like a quilt, the family provides warmth by caring for one another, even when times are hard.