

How to Get Rid of Nosy Neighbours

We all want to be friendly with our neighbours, but we also need our privacy. Some neighbours may be too friendly to the point that they start to become nosy, and far too friendly for your taste. They are able to spread gossip, bad rumours, or start to talk about your private life in public. Or maybe they just peer over the fence or the hedge and watch every move you and your family make. You may ask yourself : ‘Why are some neighbours nosy?’. Maybe you live next door to a family of limited financial means, and your neighbours may be jealous of your lifestyle. They may be very nosy and check out your new car, or the swimming pool in your garden.

There is also the fact of having nothing to do. A neighbour of yours may not have much to do, so he or she may just look out the window just to pass the time. Worse, this neighbour of yours may just have enough time to spread irrelevant facts or even rumours about you.

There's no better way to get rid of a nosy neighbour than to tell him or her off. While it's OK to exchange pleasantries and what has been going on with each other's life during parties or other social events, there are some parts of your life that are not your neighbour's business.

1st Form :

Name :

I- COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS (8 marks)**Listen to the passage and :****1) The text is mainly about : Tick the correct option (1 mark) :**

- a- Some neighbours who make much noise.
b- Some neighbours who are friendly.
c- Neighbours who are curious about others' concerns.

1) Complete the following table (2 marks) :

CAUSE	CONSEQUENCES
Nosy neighbours	1- They spread 2- They watch

2) Mention two reasons why some neighbours are nosy (2 marks) :

- a- They are
- b- They have

3) How can you get rid of a nosy neighbour? Tick the correct option (1 mark) :"There is no better way to get rid of a nosy neighbour than to tell him or her off."

- a- to advise him or her.
b- to speak angrily to him or her for doing something wrong.
c- to speak about everyday life.

4) Circle the suitable FUNCTION corresponding to the statement (1 mark) :

FUNCTIONS	STATEMENT
a- Expressing necessity b- Expressing ability c- Expressing probability	"They are able to talk about your private life in public".

SPELLING :**Listen to the passage and complete the following sentences (1 mark) :**

Maybe you live next door to a family of limited means. And your neighbours may out your new car.

PRONUNCIATION :**Listen to the passage and say if the underlined sounds are Similar or Different (1 mark):**[become / nonthing] ()[start / bad] ()

II- LANGUAGE (12 marks)Name : 1st Form....**1) Express the following sentences differently. Start with the given word (1 mark) :****a-** All pupils must revise all the subjects.

All the subjects

b- Their kids used to make noise. Now, they don't make noise.

Their kids

2) Put the bracketed words in the right Form and / or Tense (3 marks) :

Millions of people around the world enjoy creative writing both as a hobby and as a **(profession)** career. Whatever path you choose to take, there are always ways to improve **(you)** skills and one way to do that is to take a creative writing course or lessons. What **(be)** the purpose of creative writing classes and workshops? Whether you just write for fun or **(occupy)**, everyone can benefit from creative writing classes. Perhaps you have never **(try)** creative writing before and you want to give it a go. Or maybe you are an **(experience)** writer looking for a fresh angle or to perfect your skills.

3) Fill in the blanks with 6 words from the following box (3 marks) :

out – tips – advise – most – assist - attend – for - bad

Really good neighbours watch out for each other. They ask each other for advice, and offer to help, especially on matters that impact the larger neighbourhood. They respect each others' boundaries but are quick to in a crisis. They look opportunities to collaborate and to socialize. Great neighbours make for great neighbourhoods, and it is well worth the effort. neighbours can be extremely hard to deal with. Everyone has, or has had a neighbour that they wanted to move of the neighbourhood. Here are a few on how to deal with this type of neighbours. Talking to them can be one of the effective solutions. Sometimes people don't realize what they are doing wrong and will stop when informed.

4) Match sentence parts in A with sentence parts in B to get a coherent parag. (3 marks) :

A	B	Answer
1- Essentially you need to prepare and practise	a- to get things right.	1 +
2- Don't worry if you make mistakes	b- you won't learn	2 +
3- you'll learn from them while there's still time	c- for your exam	3 +
4- Preparation and practice is necessary in order to	d- of steps	4 +
5- In fact, there's no single best way	e- pass exams	5 +
6- so develop a system that works for you and think of revision as a set	f- during revision	6 +
	g- for you to revise	

5) Circle the correct alternative to get a coherent paragraph (2 marks) :

It's generally best to do a little revision for, often – regularly checking back what you know and understand the material. If you begin to get **(happy / nervous / interested)** about the exam, remember that it's less stressful to actually do some revision **(than / that / so)** it is to think about doing it – and at the same time you will review material that you need to know. Remind yourself **(when / where / why)** you choose to do the course and take the exam, and how good you will feel when you finish it. Allow yourself to feel a sense **(for / of / to)** achievement after you have done any revision session.