

Eric is writing a poem about TV programmes. Read the poem.

I LOVE TV!



Eric Cheung

Cartoons are my favourites.
My favourite ones are endless.
Game shows are amusing.
Sports programmes are exciting.
I watch news reports when I dine.
'Boy Argues with Mum over TV' is the headline.
Documentaries are **unattractive**.
Though they are informative.
Every time I hold the TV remote control.
Dad says I am out of control.
My sister says I am a TV **parasite**.
Sticking onto the couch with a can of Sprite.

Mum gets mad.
As my school results are really bad.
Her words are meaningful.
Being addicted to TV is harmful.
It is surely unhealthy.
As my eyes are dry and **itchy**.
I need to wear thick glasses which I hate.

It also makes me put on weight.
Watching TV is what I adore.
But I know I can't do it any more.
Tests and exams are coming.
I better do my planning.



10 mins

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Choose the best answers by blackening the circles.

1. Which of the following does Eric NOT like?

- A. sports programmes
- B. documentaries
- C. news reports
- D. game shows



2. Why does Eric's sister call him 'a TV parasite'?

- A. He likes holding onto the remote control.
- B. He likes sitting on the couch.
- C. He sits in front of the TV all day.
- D. He has soft drinks when watching TV.

3. What physical problems does Eric have? (Choose more than one answer.)

- A. overweight
- B. poor test results
- C. bad relationship with family
- D. poor eyesight

Tip

Q3: The word 'physical' means 'relating to the body'.

Answer the questions in complete sentences.

4. When does Eric watch news reports?

5. Why does Eric's mum get angry with him?

6. How many rhyming pairs are there in each stanza?

Fill in each blank with ONE word from the poem. Change the word form when necessary.

The exam is coming. I need to 7. _____ my study schedule. I will do revision every day. I can only watch my 8. _____ cartoons at weekends. I hope I will not 9. _____ with my parents any more.