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Subject: Class presentation

Dear Anna,

I hope you are doing well. I just wanted to remind you about our class presentation next week. You will first talk about the causes of food waste in daily life, such as buying too much food and throwing away leftovers. Then, I will explain the effects of food waste on the environment, including the waste of water and energy used to produce food. Finally, you will give some examples of what students can do at home and at school to reduce food waste. Our presentation should be about ten minutes long, so we should keep our parts short and easy to follow.

After our last meeting, I finished writing the notes for my part. I also made three slides to help explain my ideas clearly. You said you were still working on your second slide last time. If you want, I can look at your slides and give you some ideas. You can also check my slides and share your opinions. I think we are making good progress, and there is only a little more work to do.

We should practice one more time before the presentation. Let's meet this Friday afternoon in the school library. So, we should send each other our slides by Thursday. Then, we can practice with complete slides on Friday. That will help us feel more confident. Please let me know if that time is not convenient for you. Although I will not be available this weekend, we can plan another short meeting if necessary.

Thank you,
Ryan Miller

(1) What is true about the presentation?

- 1 Ryan will talk about ways to reduce food waste at school.
- 2 Anna will explain how food waste affects the environment.
- 3 The presentation will last about ten minutes.
- 4 The presentation will be given this weekend.

(2) Ryan Miller thinks that

- 1 Anna has already finished all of her slides.
- 2 there is still a small amount of work left to do.
- 3 he needs to rewrite all of his notes.
- 4 the presentation topic is too difficult for them.

(3) What does Ryan suggest to Anna?

- 1 Sending their slides on Friday
- 2 Practicing in the library on Friday
- 3 Meeting over the weekend for a long practice
- 4 Asking their teacher to check the slides on Thursday

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Saving Old Buildings

In many cities, old buildings are being torn down to make space for new apartments, offices, and shopping centers. However, some people believe that keeping old buildings is important. They say that such buildings can teach us about a city's history and culture. For example, an old train station or school building can show how people lived many years ago.

Old buildings can also be useful in modern life. In some places, people repair them and use them in new ways. An old factory may become a museum, or an old house may become a café. This can make a town more interesting for both local people and visitors. In fact, some towns have become popular travel destinations because of their beautiful historic buildings.

On the other hand, keeping old buildings can be expensive. Some of them are not safe, so they need a lot of repair work. Also, modern buildings are sometimes more convenient because they have better elevators, larger rooms, and stronger walls. For this reason, some people think cities should replace old buildings with new ones.

Still, many experts believe that cities should try to keep old buildings whenever possible. They say that a city without any old buildings may lose part of its character. By saving some of these buildings, cities can protect their history while still growing and changing.

(4) Why do some people want to keep old buildings?

- 1 Because they are always cheaper than new buildings
- 2 Because they can teach people about history and culture
- 3 Because they are safer than modern buildings
- 4 Because they have larger rooms and stronger walls

(5) What is one example of using an old building in a new way?

- 1 Turning an old factory into a museum
- 2 Changing a museum into a school
- 3 Building a new café beside a station
- 4 Using an apartment as a shopping center

(6) Why do some people prefer new buildings?

- 1 Because new buildings are more colorful
- 2 Because old buildings are never useful
- 3 Because modern buildings can be more convenient
- 4 Because old buildings attract too many visitors

(7) What is the main idea of the passage?

- 1 Old buildings should all be destroyed immediately
- 2 Cities should stop growing and changing
- 3 Old buildings are only important for tourists
- 4 Keeping old buildings has both benefits and challenges