

COMPREHENSION

1. What do you know about Levi: approximate age, job, plans for the future? Explain in your own words. (40-50 words)
2. What values particularly impressed Levi in the application form (Find three elements).
3. True or false? Justify by quoting from the text.
 - a. Levi found a job in a small independent store.
 - b. Levi was impressed by the stores' owner.
 - c. Levi worked for a one-product brand.
 - d. One of Levi's aims was to understand how the firm worked.
 - e. Levi thought he was getting a good salary for his job.
4. What was Levi's secret dream? Quote the text.
5. Observe the main verb form in the first part of the text (l. 1-14): *He had taken, he had been particularly impressed...* Compare it to the main verb form in the rest of the text. What does the change indicate?
6. When does the action take place: time in the year, day, time of the day?
7. Explain what Tom announced to Levi. (20 words)
8. How did Levi react to this news? What explains this reaction? (30 words)
9. Howard's reaction.
 - a. What did he think of the firm's mottoes? (30 words)
 - b. What did he think of his son's intention? (15 words)
 - c. What did he advise him to do? (20-30 words)
10. How did Levi react to his father's speech? (40 words)
11. Translate from "*I don't think...*" (l. 34) to "*... late for work.*" (l. 35)
12. Explain in what way Levi's job changed and what his reaction to this change was. Answer in your own words, including quotations from the text (50-60 words)

EXPRESSION

Choose **one** of the following subjects (250 words)

1. Levi writes a letter to his employer to explain the decision he took about Christmas.
2. What are the advantages and drawbacks of mega-stores over independent stores?