SOUTH CAROLINA ENGLISH 10 · UNIT 2 · 5 QUESTIONS

Reading Informational Text — Practice Test

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Source IV - Recycling in Small Towns

Use this reading for questions 1 to 5.

Small towns face a special challenge with recycling. A large city can fill a truck every day, but a small town may fill one only once a week. Driving that truck a long way to a recycling center costs money and fuel.

Still, many small towns make recycling work. They ask residents to sort paper, plastic, and glass, and to rinse containers before drop off. Clear labels on bins help people sort correctly, and a regular pickup schedule helps families plan.

Recycling in a small town saves space in the local landfill and keeps useful materials in use. Town leaders say the program works best when it is simple and convenient, because people are more likely to recycle when it is easy to do right.

1 **According to Source IV, what is the central idea of the passage?**

- **A** recycling always fills a truck every day
- **B** small towns should stop recycling because trucks cost too much
- **C** large cities never recycle paper, plastic, or glass
- **D** small towns can make recycling work with simple sorting and convenient pickup, despite distance and cost

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2 **A tall white water tower stands on steel legs in a small town. According to Source IV, what is one benefit of recycling in a small town?**



A it removes the need for any pickup schedule

B it makes trucks travel shorter distances every day

C it saves space in the local landfill and keeps useful materials in use

D it allows residents to throw all trash in one bin

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3 **According to Source IV, what is one challenge for small towns?**

A they have too many recycling centers nearby

B residents sort materials too quickly

C driving a partly full truck a long way costs money and fuel

D landfills in small towns never fill up

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4 **According to Source IV, what are residents asked to do before drop off?**

A burn paper before sorting it

B drive their trash to a large city

C pay a fee for every bin they own

D rinse containers and sort paper, plastic, and glass

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5 **According to Source IV, what is the author's main purpose?**

A to persuade towns to close their landfills at once

B to tell a story about a truck driver

C to explain how small towns can make recycling work

D to compare recycling with composting in detail

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ANSWER KEY

1. D
2. C
3. C
4. D
5. C

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