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Read the passage and complete the exercise using information from the text unless otherwise stated. Give complete sentences for questions marked with *. ONE mark for each answer unless otherwise stated.

*1. The writer tries to be humorous in the opening sentence. Where does the humour lie? (2 marks)

The writer is a family therapist and yet she is saying her service to families is not as useful as a family dining together.

2. Find words or expressions from paragraphs 1 – 5 that mean the same as the following: (4 marks) (P 4)

(1) uncommon rare (P 2) (2) stable relationship consistent association

(3) overweight obese (P 5) (4) producing great advantages paying dividends (P 5)

3. The writer neatly sums up the contents of the passage in the first paragraph. What are the two main points of the passage? (2 marks)

(1) Family dinners are of great benefit to children

(2) what makes a good family dinner

4. Family dinners are good for children because: (complete each blank with ONE word only) (6 marks)

(1) young children can learn vocabulary

(2) school children can achieve high scores

(3) children eat more healthily

(4) children can recover from illnesses more quickly

(5) children are less prone / likely to develop bad behaviour

(6) children will grow up to be more positive about life

5. What are the important factors for a successful family dinner? Decide which of the following are true, false or not given in the passage. Darken the corresponding boxes. (4 marks)

	True	False	Not given
(1) must spend many hours to prepare the meal	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(2) must turn off the television during dinner	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(3) must maintain a warm atmosphere	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(4) must talk about current affairs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>