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2021 GARDEN OF ENGLISH HIGH SCHOOL DRAMA QUESTIONS

ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND COMPOSITION

SECTION II

Total time - 45 minutes

Question 1

The other day, Carly McIntosh and her boyfriend of 6 months, Marc Tetreault, got in a rather large fight because he went to a bonfire at his friend Matt’s house without her. (Carly and Matt don’t really get along, but she’d mentioned she would be willing to show up after her basketball game just to be with Marc.) Now, they seemed to be getting along for the last 2 weeks—but since the fight a lot of information has been revealed—and now Carly needs to make a decision about her relationship.

Read the following sources and accompanying contextual information carefully. Write a DM (*Direct Message*) that synthesizes material from at least three sources and **develops your position about what factors Carly should consider when deciding how to address their relationship from here.**

Source A (Schedules)

Source B (Statements)

Source C (*Seventeen*)

Source D (Snapchat)

Source E (Twitter)

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Source G (Instagram)

Source H (Melting Pot Menu)

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Source A
Schedules

Marc

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
School Project?	Work at McDonald's				8pm-1am Bonfire w/ Anna @ Matt's	6-? Hang w/Carly

Carly

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
11am Church 12pm Breakfast w/ Grandma	**Buy school dance tickets for next Saturday! 4pm Bball practice	6pm Bball game	4pm bball practice 6pm Youth Group (carpool w/ John)	6-10pm Study for financial algebra test with Sara, Anna, and John	5-9pm Away Basketball Game	Surprise Date with Marc!! 6pm @ Melting Pot, 8pm Super Hero Movie

Source B
Statements

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Anna, she’s an interesting character, but nonetheless she is good friends with Marc. (By the way, she actually likes him as well.) She revealed to Danielle, as they sat together on the bus on Friday morning, that: “I was talking to Marc, and he is convinced that Carly is cheating on him because Carly has been with John for the last two nights. I guess Marc is going to break up with her.”

“Marc happens to be absolutely stunning. He’s a major flirt, though.” - Sara

“Marc also has dated six people in the last year, but before that he dated one person for 3 years (8th -10th grade).” - Lindsay

Carly was overheard saying, after one week of dating: “I really enjoy hanging out with Marc; He’s cute, funny, and all around awesome. I think I’m in love with him.”

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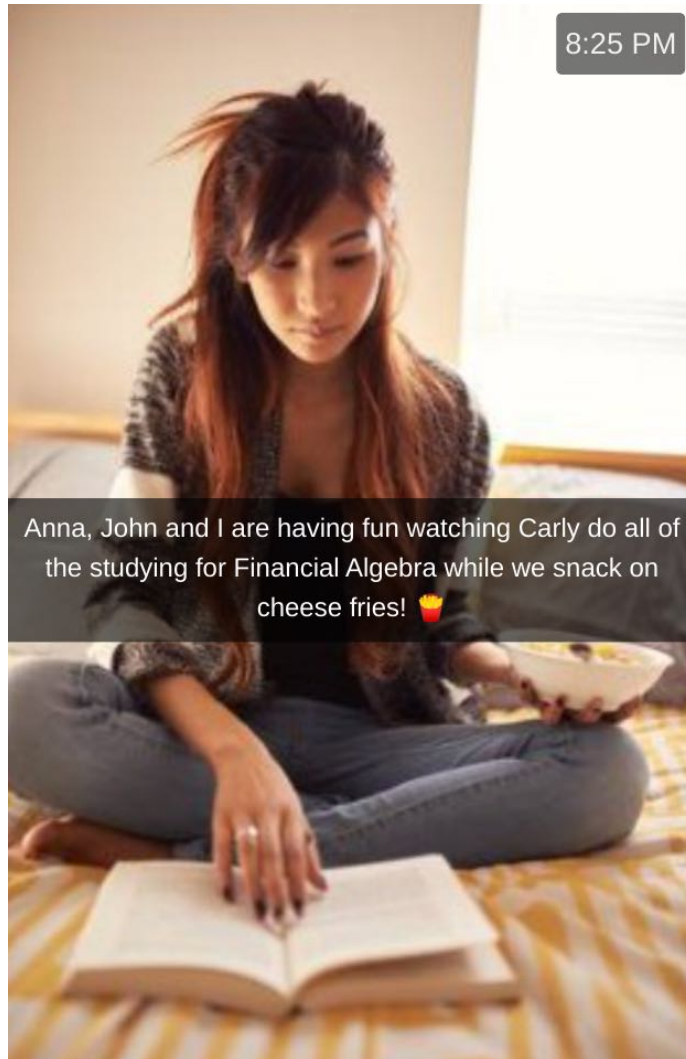
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Source D
Sara's Snapchat Story



Source E
Twitter



Carly McIntosh @PrancerDancer29 · Sep 17, 2021



When you want to hang out with your boyfriend but he'd rather hang with his friends... you have a girl's night with your bestie!
[#myfriendsarebetterthanyours](#) [#priorities](#) [#girlsnight](#) [#netflix](#)
[#gossipgirls](#)



Marc Tetreault @MarcMan · Sep 17, 2021



Throwing shade on twitter? wow. 🙄🙄🙄🙄



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I still love you even if ur being salty 🙄💋



Source F
Text Messages on Carly's phone



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Anna's Instagram



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Aged Cheddar and Emmenthaler melted with lager beer, garlic, our Green Goddess and black pepper

Served with: complimentary artisanal dippers

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Spinach, strawberries, feta, candied pecans and lemon poppyseed

ENTREE

Teriyaki-Marinated Sirloin
Memphis-Style Dry Rub Pork
Cold Water Lobster
Wild Mushroom Sacchetti
Sun-Dried Tomato Chicken
Old Bay® Shrimp

Served with: complimentary choice of cooking style

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Dark chocolate melted with marshmallow crème and candied pecans – flambéed tableside

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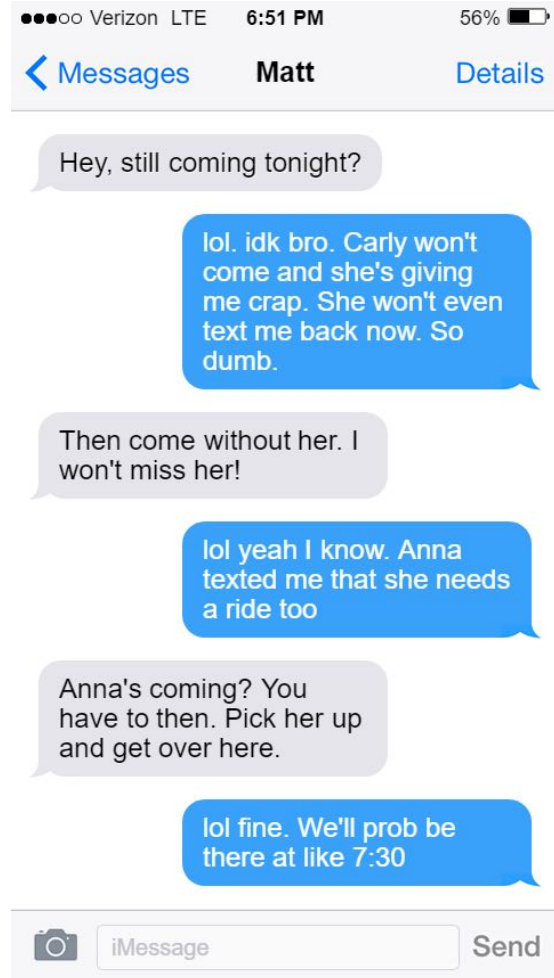
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