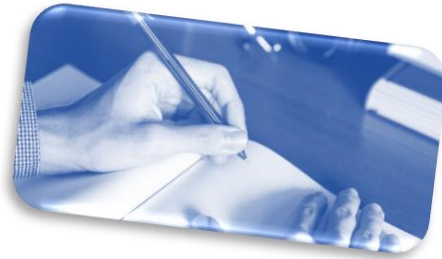


READ & ANSWER



TEACHERS'
LIGHTHOUSE

Read the passage and answer the questions.



Left-handed people have a difficult life. Almost everything is designed with right-handed people in mind and left-handers have problems with scissors, switches, tin openers and other gadgets. If you're right-handed, try using a pair of scissors in your left hand to get an idea of the problem. But it's not only everyday physical actions that cause left-handers problems.

They seem to suffer more often from strong headaches and stuttering. And, possibly because the left-hand side of the brain doesn't always know what the right side is doing, they tend to turn right instead of left, dial the wrong number when telephoning or pressing the wrong key when typing.

Recent research in California has shown that right-handed people live longer than left-handed people. One reason for this seems to be that, in addition to the usual problems of being a left-hander, they also have more accidents in their daily lives. Still, it's not all negative for left-handers. They are in very impressive company – Picasso, Martina Navratilova, Leonardo Da Vinci, John McEnroe, Einstein, Charlie Chaplin, among others.



LEVEL:
TOPIC:



1) Why do left-handed people have a difficult life?

2) What physical problems do left-handed people often suffer from?

3) Why do left-handers tend to turn right instead of left or dial the wrong number when telephoning?

4) What are some of the reasons why right-handers people live longer?

5) Are there any examples of successful left-handers?

