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*In each case, good answers will meet **most**, though not necessarily **all**, of the following requirements.*

1. A good answer
 - will be in the format of an informal letter
 - may not have an address but will have a date
 - will use the friend’s name in the salutation, not “Dear friend”
 - will explain clearly why the character was disliked
 - will not be a mere re-telling of the story, though excerpts from the story will be used as illustration
 - will adopt a register in the range informal to very informal
 - may include quite a bit of “youth-speak”
 - will adopt a relaxed, friendly style.

2. A good answer
 - will have a general title
 - will utilize sub-headings, bullet points or the like
 - will deal with clubs in general, not just one particular club
 - will show methodical organization
 - may foresee possible problems once the club is in operation; this should be rewarded
 - may take into account the age range of club members; this should be rewarded
 - will adopt a register in the range semi-formal to informal and, for effect, may fluctuate within this range.

3. A good answer
 - will adopt a clear structure, whether paragraphs or points, which makes the sequence of events obvious
 - may adopt the format of a formal report; this should be rewarded but should not be demanded
 - will address all of the questions “Where?” “When?” “Who?”
 - may include a conjecture in answer to the question “Why?”; this should be rewarded
 - will be made accurate and vivid by, for example, giving speeds and distances
 - will adopt a formal register.

4. A good answer
- will explain the situation clearly
 - may give examples; this should be rewarded
 - will suggest whatever actions should be taken to improve the situation
 - will give considerable detail
 - may show that the candidate has been able to put himself or herself in a relevant situation and explain this situation to the readers; this ability should be rewarded
 - will adopt a register in the range formal to semi-informal
 - will adopt a style such as to win hearts and minds
 - may be evocative; this should be rewarded.
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