



TEXT

I am Jack Ma, I was born on 10th September 1964 in Hangzhou, China in a poor family. As a teenager, I used to guide tourist for free just to improve my English.

I knew that the only way I could get rid of poverty, was through education. I started applying for different colleges, but got rejected from each of them. Even after applying for 30 different jobs, all I ever faced, was plain rejection in three simple words «You are not good». When I applied a job at KFC, I was the only who get turned down out of 24 people.

In 1995, when internet was blooming, I was shocked when no result appeared from China, when I searched «Soda». And that's when I came up with an idea of an online marketplace named ALIBABA. Unfortunately, I couldn't make it profitable and it was about to go bankrupt. So I asked 17 of my friends to invest in my vision because I learnt to be self confident and still believed in my idea, and soon «ALIBABA» became the largest e-commerce store in the world.

Today, I am the richest man in China and I have a net worth of \$33 billion. My story could teach you that it is never too late to believe in yourself and to never give up or lose hope, all you need to be perseverant and to achieve your dreams.



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PART ONE: (14 points)

Section one: Reading comprehension: (7 points)

Activity One: Read the text and write true or false. Correct the wrong statement. (3 points)

- a- Jack Ma was born in a wealthy family.
- b- ALIBABA is the largest e-commerce mall in the world.
- c- Jack Ma's story could teach you to never give up your dream.

Activity Two: Read the text again and answer the following questions. (2 points)

- a- Why did Jack Ma worked as a tourist guide?
- b- Did he get the job at KFC?

Activity Three: Find in the text words that are closest in meaning to the following. (1 point)

biggest = occupation =

Find in the text words that are opposite in meaning to the following. (1 point)

disappeared ≠ rich ≠



Section two: Mastery of language: (7points)

Activity One: Spot the mistakes and correct them. (2 points)

jack Ma is the most wealthy men in China !

Activity Two: Complete the following sentence with the right linking words « whereas, so, like, unlike ». (3 points)

- 1- many people, my dream is to become a famous businessman.
- 2- many wealthy children who live in villas, Jack Ma lives in a poor family.
- 3- ALIBABA is the largest e-commerce store in the world Warner Bros is one of the largest films and television production.

Activity Three: classify the words according to their pronunciation. (2 points)

way - primary - became - try

/ai/	/ei/

PART TWO: WRITTEN EXPRESSION. (6 points)

Your teacher of English asks to write a composition in about 8 to 12 lines to your classmates about your school memories at primary school using the following notes;
Name of the school/best friends/favorite subjects/ideal teacher and what did you learn from him or her.

