

PART III: EVERYDAY ENGLISH

I. Choose the correct response.

1. You'll never guess what happened to me!
2. There was a snake in the fountain.
3. You look a little upset.
4. Well, you don't see that every day, do you?
5. Was anyone hurt?

- A What? Tell me!
- B No, you certainly don't.
- C Oh my goodness!
- D Really? Why?
- E Luckily, no.
- F Well, I had quite a shock.

PART IV: READING

I. Read the teen article and mark the sentences T (true), F (false), or DS (doesn't say).

Natalie

Natalie is a 15-year-old girl, who lives in Montreal, a beautiful city situated on the St. Laurence River in Canada. She lives on Cartier Street, which is very near the Botanical Gardens. Her home is located in the old part of town, near the old port of Montreal. The city is very picturesque with cobblestone streets and beautiful old buildings.

There are four people in her family: her parents, her brother, and Natalie. She loves taking long walks with them by the river and watching the street musicians and jugglers entertain the passersby.

Natalie enjoys meeting with her friends. They usually take the metro downtown and go to the indoor shopping malls which have many stores, movie theaters, and arcades.

1. Natalie lives near the St. Laurence River.
2. The city has cobblestone streets.
3. Her house is on Cartier Street.
4. She doesn't like the long walks with her family.
5. Natalie doesn't meet her friends often.

II. Read the text and answer the questions.

A True Story

People generally believe that bad things only happen to other people, but never to them. That's what I used to think until last year.

One night last May, I was asleep in my bed when I had a strange feeling. I opened my eyes and saw that everything was in place. I lay in bed feeling confused. Before I could realize what it was, I heard glass shatter and I felt a violent gust of wind pull me from my bed. I was terrified. I tried to grab something that would keep me from flying through the smashed window. I grabbed the wooden frame of the bed and managed to hold on until the wind died down.

I was shaken, but relieved at the same time. I immediately left the building and ran to my parents' house for safety. They lived in the same neighborhood, so I got there very quickly. Fortunately, I found them safe and their house was still standing.

What I experienced was a tornado. Never in my life did I think that I would ever experience anything as disastrous as that. I learned one thing though, and that is never to take life for granted.

By Francesca Kleinne

1. What did Francesca used to believe?
2. What woke her?
3. What happened to her?
4. What did Francesca do right after the tornado?
5. Write all the adjectives that describe her feelings and put them in categories of before, while, and after the tornado.

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