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B3. READING QUIZ

Directions: Read the article.



Heart couple's amazing coincidence

When Suzanne met Alistair Cotton at a swimming pool in 1995, they were amazed to discover that they both suffered from the same extremely rare heart condition. They started going out together and fell in love, but several months later, they discovered an even bigger coincidence.

Almost twenty years earlier when they were children (Suzanne was seven and Alistair was fourteen), they had both had a lifesaving heart operation in the same hospital, on the same day, performed by the same heart surgeon. After their operations, they had spent several days recovering in the same hospital ward (although they have no memories of seeing or speaking to each other.) They certainly had no idea that twenty years later they would meet and fall in love with the child in the next bed. Suzanne, now 43, said, "We were very shocked by the coincidence. We were obviously destined to be together."

Alistair continued to have difficulties with his heart, and he had to have another major heart operation. As soon as he woke up after the operation, he proposed to Suzanne, and the couple got married in 2002.

The following year, Suzanne became pregnant, and baby Hannah was born in 2004 and is now a happy, healthy child who shows no signs of having inherited any heart problems from her parents. Suzanne said, "Many heart patients can't have children or their children are born with heart problems themselves, so for our amazing story to have such a happy ending is just wonderful."

Read the article again and number the events in the order they happened

- [ ] Their daughter was born.
- [ ] They both had a heart operation in the same hospital.
- [ ] Alistair had another heart operation.
- [ ] They got married.
- [ ] They discovered that they had been in the same hospital twenty years earlier.
- [ ] They discovered they had the same heart problem.
- [ ] They met at a swimming pool.
- [ ] Alistair asked Alison to marry him.

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