IELTS FOUNDATION. EXTRA READING 2

Read about professional runner Rosa Martinez and where she goes on holiday. Then complete the exercise.

A As a famous runner, I do a lot of travelling as part of my job. Last year I did races in London, New York, Paris and Dubai. I also went to Thailand for a big sports event, which was an amazing experience. However, when I have time to take a holiday, I love going to my aunt and uncle's house in the south of Spain. I go there for two weeks every summer with my whole family. My aunt and uncle bought the house when I was very young, and I still remember the summers I spent there when I was a child. It is a beautiful house and my favorite place to stay in the whole world.

B The house is just outside a small village and it is close to the mountains and the sea. It is more than 100 years old. In the past, it was a farm with horses, chickens and sheep. There are no animals there now, but there is still a lot of land, so the house has a really big garden. In the garden, there is a barbecue area, and we often have dinner there in the summertime. There are fruit trees, vegetables and a lot of flowers. We don't need a swimming pool, because the house is so close to the sea. We always spend a lot of time at the beach when we go there in the summer.

C All of the rooms are large and pretty. On the ground floor, there is a big kitchen and living room, a bathroom and one bedroom. Upstairs there is one large bedroom with its own small bathroom. You can see the mountains from this bedroom. There are two more bedrooms where you can see the sea. My favorite bedroom is the first one on the left when you go up the stairs. I used to stay there when I was a child. It has a seat in the window where I like to sit and read books or write letters.

D The style of the house is very traditional. There is a very large dinner table in the kitchen, so that the whole family can sit down and eat together. The living room has comfortable chairs and a large television screen. We often watch films or play games there in the evenings. My uncle made a lot of the furniture himself. He made the tables and chairs in the kitchen and all the beds. The walls are all painted in different shades of green and blue to look like the sea. My aunt loves to paint and does beautiful paintings of the mountains and the sea in the area. There are many of these paintings on the walls.

E The house is close to some of the most beautiful countryside in the area, and it is possible to walk to some of the best beaches, where there are not many people. In fact, we sometimes have the whole beach to ourselves! The village is a short walk or bicycle ride from the house, and you can find some lovely cafés and restaurants in the main square. I often go canoeing, horse riding and hiking nearby. It is great to get away from the city and relax in nature.

Match the information with the correct paragraph.

A B C D E

1. Some outdoor activities that Rosa likes doing _____
2. Rosa's favorite place to sleep _____
3. The history of the house _____
4. The furniture in the house _____
5. Rosa's favorite place to go on holiday _____
6. Where Rosa's family spend time in the evening _____
7. Places to eat near the house _____
8. Rosa's aunt's hobby _____

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