READING COMPREHENSION DECEMBER

1.- Read the mail and answer the questions:

Hi Carla
I've been talking to Dad about our family history and i've found out some interesting things aboiut his brother Giacomo, our Uncle Jack. Well, apparently, he was a profesional footballer for a few years in the 1950s!

Jack left school at 16 in 1948 and worked in a car Factory in Newcastle for five years. While he was working there, he used to play football every Saturday for the Factory team. One day some mena came watch him from Newcastle United. They offered him a contract so in 1953 Jack left the the car Factory and became a profesional footballer. Apparently, he played for Newcastle United from 1953 until 1959 and scored over 100 goals from them. However, he broke his leg badly in 1959 and had to give up playing profesional football.

After that he got a job as a sports teacher at a local secondary school and that's where he met his wife, Auntie Giulia. She was an art teacher. They fell in love and got married two years later, in 1961. Our cousins Luigi and Anna were born in 1962 and 1964. As you know, we left Great Britain and came to live here in Australia in 1965, so it was quite difficult for Dad and Uncle Jack to keep in touch after that. Meanwhile, in 1969 Uncle Jack and Auntie Giulia opened an Italian restaurant called La Forchetta in the centre of Newcastle. During th 1970s and 1980s this was the most popular Italian restaurant in Newcastle. Sadly, in 1992 Uncle Jack was killed in acar crash and Auntie Giulia decided to sell the restaurant.

When I travel to the UK on business later this year, I'm planning to mee tour cousins, Luigi and Anna,
Hope to see you son
Paolo

Now answer the following questions

I.- Read the email and write and (X) in the correct answer.

a) ___ Jack played profesional football in the 1960s.
b) ___ Jack played for Newcastle United for five years.
c) ___ Jack joined Newcastle United in 1953.
d) ___ Jack scored 100 goals for the Factory team.

II.- Read the email again. Are the sentences true (T) or false (F)?

a) ___ Paolo and Carla's uncle used to be a profesional footballer.
b) ___ When Jack was 16 he played for Newcastle United.
c) ___ Jack was still playing profesional football in the 1960s.
d) ___ Jack and Giulia got married two years after they met.
e) ___ Jack and Giulia died in 1992.

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2.- Read the text and write an X in the correct answers.

Jen sighed heavily. She hadn't done anything for at least ten minutes. She looked at the clock and the clock looked back at her. It was like a busy teacher: 'tick', 'tick', 'tick' ... It ticked every second and the seconds became minutes. Jen sighed again, even more heavily this time.

'You're no friend of mine,' she said, picking up the noisy clock. She walked to the other side of her bedroom, opened a drawer, threw the clock in and closed it again. Jen went back to her computer to do some more sighing. None of her friends were online and she had at least another 500 words to write.

Suddenly, there was a noise from outside. Jen went over to the window, opened the curtains just a centimetre and put one eye very carefully to the gap. It had been raining that day and the streets were as cold, black and wet as a dog's nose. She couldn't see very clearly, but she could hear them.

There was a group of maybe seven or eight figures all hanging out together. She checked her phone – no one had sent her a text in the last five minutes. She looked at the computer – everyone she knew was still offline. So who were they?

The laughing and shouting from outside had become much louder so Jen went to the curtains for another look. As soon as she opened the curtains, everything went quiet.

'That's strange,' she thought. The whole group had disappeared. She listened more carefully but there was only silence.

'JEN! JEN!! WE CAN *SEE* YOU, JEN!!!' eight voices shouted at once.

There was a feeling like someone had poured a glass of ice-water into her stomach and suddenly she was jumping away from the curtains, her hand over her mouth.

'JEEEeennnn ...' came a single voice, 'JEEEeennnn ...'

Jen froze. Whose voice was it? Was it someone she knew? A stranger? Who could it be? There was only one way to find out ...

I.- Write an X in the correct anmswers.

A) This text comes from…

a) ___ a newspaper article b) ___ a novel c) ___ an essay

B) Which of these adjectives best describes the text?

a) ___ amusing b) ___ romantic c) ___ strange

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C) What is the best way to decribe what happens in the text?

a) ___A student cannot complete an essay because of a noise outside her room.
b) ___A student is trying to complete an essay when something unusual happens.
c) ___A student is waiting for her Friends to ring her up but they come to her house instead.

D) In the text, what is compared to a “busy teacher”?

a) ___ a clock b) ___ a computer c) ___ a drawer

E) In the text, what is compared to a “dog’s” noise?

a) ___ the curtains b) ___ the rain c) ___ the streets

II.- The order of the events in the story is different from the order that the events happened. Read the text again and putt he events in the order they happened.

___ Jen started writing her essay.
___ It stopped raining
___ Jen had a big shock
___ A voice called Jen’s name
___ It started raining
___ Jen heard a noise outside.
___ The group hid from Jen
___ Jen turned her computer on

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