

READING – A rainy day

Last week, as usual, I locked my flat at a quarter to eight to go to work. I went down in the lift, but when I opened the door into the street I saw it was raining heavily. I went back inside, took the lift up and went into my flat to get an umbrella. It was not in its usual place, and I spent a few minutes looking for it. Finally I found it in the bathroom.

It was getting late, so I quickly closed the door, but I forgot my briefcase inside. I realised that as soon as I reached the street, but the lift was going up and I did not want to wait, so I ran up the stairs to my flat on the third floor. I took my briefcase and ran back down the stairs, because the lift was still moving, but as I opened the door to the street I realised I didn't have my key. It was probably in the door! I couldn't leave it there, so I had to go up once again.

Sure enough, there was my key, in the keyhole. I took it and ran back down, but when I got to the bus stop, the bus was already moving away. I waved at the driver, but he did not see me through the rain. In the end I had to walk all the way to my office in the rain, because the next bus was half an hour later. I arrived nearly twenty minutes late, and my boss was not very pleased to see me.

Choose the correct answer for each question:

1. Why did the protagonist of the story go back into his flat the first time?
 - a) Because he needed his key.
 - b) Because he needed an umbrella.
 - c) Because he needed his briefcase.
2. Where was it?
 - a) It was in the bathroom.
 - b) It was in the lift.
 - c) It was near the door.

3. Why did he close the door quickly?
 - a) Because it was late.
 - b) Because it was raining.
 - c) Because he was going to work.
4. What did he forget in his flat?
 - a) He forgot his briefcase.
 - b) He forgot his key.
 - c) He forgot his money.
5. Why didn't he use the lift to go up to his flat?
 - a) Because it was not working.
 - b) Because it was too slow.
 - c) Because it was too full of people.
6. Why did he go up the last time?
 - a) Because he didn't have his key.
 - b) Because he didn't have his briefcase.
 - c) Because he didn't have his watch.
7. How many times did he go back up to his flat?
 - a) Twice.
 - b) Three times.
 - c) Four times.
8. Why didn't the driver stop?
 - a) Because it was raining.
 - b) Because he didn't see him.
 - c) Because he was in a hurry.
9. How did he get to his office?
 - a) On the bus.
 - b) On a train.
 - c) On foot.
10. How did his boss feel?
 - a) Impatient
 - b) Annoyed
 - c) Unhappy