

1B HARD TO BELIEVE? Student B

a Read the story below. Guess the meaning of the **highlighted** words and then complete the glossary.

THE STRANGE OBJECT ON THE HILL

This happened when I was 16, and I can still remember it **vividly**. It was a clear morning, sunny but with a **breeze**. I was going to meet a school friend to go walking in the hills where there were some wonderful views. I'd agreed to meet him at the top of one of the hills.

I knew those hills really well, but that morning there was a strange shape in the familiar landscape. It was a mile or so to the north, on the top of the next hill. It was a white object and it looked like a **dome** or an igloo. I was carrying **binoculars**, so I could see it clearly. It was big, the size of a small house, but it didn't seem to have any doors or windows, and it wasn't moving in spite of the wind.

Then I noticed that some sheep that were on that hill were running away from it. They seemed really frightened.

I kept staring at the dome. Then, suddenly, it began to move. It moved slowly, not in the direction of the wind but almost directly against it. It looked as if it might be **gliding** a few inches above the grass.

A few seconds later the dome disappeared. I never saw it again. I had watched it for 15 minutes.

When my friend arrived I asked him if he had seen the object, too, but he hadn't. He had been coming from a different direction.

I have told only a few people about what I saw. One of them, a friend of mine who is a doctor, is convinced that I was **hallucinating**. But I am sure that what I saw wasn't a hallucination. It was really there. *Carl*

Glossary

- 1 **/doom/** noun a circular thing or a building with a round roof and a flat base
- 2 **/glādēē/** verb moving smoothly and quietly, as if with no effort
- 3 **/həlūsənētēp/** verb seeing or hearing things that are not really there, because of an illness or drugs
- 4 **/vivadli/** adv very clearly
- 5 **/br'nakyolər/** noun an instrument that makes far away objects seem nearer
- 6 **/briz/** noun a light wind

This happened to a boy named Carl when he was 16...

b Listen to A's story. If A uses a word or phrase you don't know, ask what it means, and ask questions where necessary to clarify the details of the story.

c Now tell A everything you can remember from the story you read. Explain any new words if necessary.

- When did it happen and what was the background to the story? (*What was the weather like? What was he going to do?*, etc.)
- What was the strange happening? What did Carl do afterward?
- How does he feel now about what he saw?

1B YOU'RE PSYCHIC, AREN'T YOU? Student B

a Imagine you're a psychic. Use your psychic powers to complete the sentences below about A.

- 1 You were born in _____ (month),...?
- 2 You don't like _____ (a kind of music),...?
- 3 You're going to _____ (activity) tonight,...?
- 4 You've seen _____ (a movie),...?
- 5 Your favorite season is _____ ,...?
- 6 You didn't like _____ (kind of food) when you were a child,...?
- 7 You can play _____ (musical instrument),...?
- 8 You wouldn't like to live in _____ (a place),...?

b A is going to make some guesses about you. Respond with a short answer. If the guess is wrong, tell A the real answer.

c Now check if your guesses about A are true by saying the sentences and checking with a tag question, e.g., *You were born in Santiago, weren't you?* Try to use a falling intonation. Check if your guesses were true.

2A FIRST AID QUIZ Student B

4^a If someone you are with has a nosebleed, you should ask them to sit down and lean forward. Ask the person to pinch the soft part of the nose, which they should do for ten minutes. Get medical advice if the bleeding continues for more than thirty minutes.



5^b Tilt their head backward so that their tongue isn't blocking their airway. Check if they're breathing by looking to see if their chest is moving and feel for breath on your cheek. Now move them onto their side and tilt their head back. Putting them in this position with their head back helps keep the airway open. As soon as possible, call 911 or get someone else to do it.



6^b Use a cushion or items of clothing to prevent unnecessary movement. Call 911 or get someone else to do it. Don't try to straighten the person's leg, but continue supporting the injury until help arrives.

