

Assess your knowledge



Reading sample task – Multiple choice

Read the texts and answer the questions

Choose the appropriate words (a, b, or c)

Text A

I ran into my Uncle Tim last weekend. He's my mother's brother. I hadn't seen him for years, but he hadn't changed. He always has had white hair and a long, white beard. Going white early has always been common in my mother's family. Uncle Tim has always been the historian of the family. He keeps a notebook full of family anecdotes. We went out for lunch and he interrogated me about recent events in the family and asked when it would be a good time to visit Mother at the Home. We've planned a trip next weekend, and I'll let you know about the results in my next entry. Mother usually has some interesting stories to tell.

Text B

Genealogy is a popular hobby in the United States. It is estimated that over 40% of adults are interested in family history. Nowadays, actual records are available online, and this has led genealogy to be one of the most popular topics on the World Wide Web. Typing the word "genealogy" into a search engine shows over 28,700,000 results. If you are interested in genealogy, there are a lot of popular Web sites that can help get you started finding out about your family. For a small fee you can have access to original documents and transcriptions from all over the world. Censuses, birth certificates, and property records are available at the click of your mouse.

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Answers

- 1 Where is **Text A** probably from? **a) A blog.** b) A newspaper. c) A reference book.
- 2 Where is **Text B** probably from? **a) An advertisement.** b) A novel. c) A magazine.
- 3 Why would you read **Text A**? **a) For information.** b) For news. c) For pleasure.
- 4 Why would you read **Text B**? **a) For information.** b) For news. c) To find out opinions.
- 5 Where might you find a text like **Text A**? **a) In a book.** b) In a magazine. c) On the Internet.

Practice at home program