READING - The Ice Hotel



I'm Vanessa, I'm 16 and I'm Canadian. I live in Quebec, the eastern province of Canada. Quebec's weather is often very bad and cold in winter with abundant snowfalls. I like winter weather and winter sports, in particular skiing and snowboarding, so I like living here! I'm a very good skier and I'm in the local snowboarding team, too.

My dad works at the Ice Hotel. It's a wonderful hotel made of snow and ice! It's only five minutes away from Quebec City, where I live with my family. It's the first ice hotel in North America and it is open only in winter from January to April. In the hotel there is a church, a theatre, a restaurant and a bar. Everything in the hotel is made of ice: the pillars, the sculptures but also the furniture, for example the beds, the tables and the shelves. It is very strange and so people from all over the world come here to sleep in one of its 51 rooms. In the hotel guests sleep in Arctic sleeping bags at a temperature of about -8°! Staying at The Ice Hotel is really expensive: a room for a night costs about $ 300. The Ice Hotel is also open to visitors from 10 am to midnight and there are guided tours.

My dad works in the big hall of the hotel, he is a receptionist there: he welcomes and helps visitors and answers the phone at the reception of the hotel. Every morning he gets up at half past six, he has a big breakfast and then he drives to the hotel. He has lunch at the hotel, in the kitchen. He usually comes home at eight o'clock in the evening. He never sleeps at the hotel but he sometimes works on Sunday afternoons.

Are the sentences True (T), False (F) or Not Given (NG)?

1	Vanessa likes living in Canada.	**T**	**F**	**NG**
2	Vanessa is a good ice-skater.	**T**	**F**	**NG**
3	Her dad works in an ordinary hotel.	**T**	**F**	**NG**
4	Vanessa lives in Ottawa, the capital of Canada.	**T**	**F**	**NG**
5	The Ice Hotel is the third ice hotel in North America.	**T**	**F**	**NG**
6	The Ice Hotel has got more than 40 rooms.	**T**	**F**	**NG**
7	The Ice Hotel guided tours are expensive.	**T**	**F**	**NG**
8	Vanessa's dad is the manager of the hotel.	**T**	**F**	**NG**

Choose the correct option.

1 Winters in Canada are usually

a very cold. **b** rainy and cool. **c** mild. **d** warm and windy.

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2 Everything in The Ice Hotel is made of

a concrete and stones.
b ice and compact snow.
c bricks and wood.
d iron and plastic.

3 Staying for a night in a room at The Ice Hotel is

a quite cheap.
b really cheap.
c not very expensive.
d really expensive.



4 You can go on a guided tour of the hotel

a before 10 o'clock in the morning.
b after midnight.
c from ten in the morning.
d at 9 am.

Answer these questions.

1 How old is Vanessa?

2 What's her nationality?

3 Where does she live?

4 What's her dad's job?

5 When is The Ice Hotel open?

6 What time does Vanessa's dad get up?

7 Where does he have lunch?

8 Do you prefer winter or summer? What do you usually do in summer? (50 words)

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