



HARROW
INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL
BANGKOK

In line with the Ministry of Education's announcement regarding the current air quality, Harrow Bangkok will be closed to students tomorrow and Friday, and will reopen on Monday 4th February. After school activities today are also cancelled.

Parents may elect to pick up their children earlier than normal today, following the normal procedures for doing so. However, the school will continue to be staffed to ensure the safety of those children whose parents are unable to pick them up before the school day ends. Boarders will remain safely in the boarding village.

Please check your emails for full details.

1. Why did the school issue the announcement?
 - A. To remind the students' parents to pick up their children.
 - B. To inform the school policy regarding to recent condition.
 - C. To announce the student's safety in Harrow International School.
 - D. To publicize the re-open schedule of Harrow International School.
2. We are informed from the text that
 - A. the students staying in school dormitory must be picked up soon
 - B. the parents have to pick their children up based on the schedule
 - C. the staff will stand by for the left students until the school day ends
 - D. the Ministry of Education asked all principals to close their schools

Once upon a time, there was a princess who lived in a city. Her name was Isabel. She loved to sing very much. She sang anytime and anywhere. When she was singing, everyone must be quite. If not, she would punish them.

One day an old beggar asked her some money while she was singing. Princess Isabel was very angry, but the beggar was angry too. The old beggar was actually a witch. She cursed Isabel, and from that day she could not sing.

Fortunately, there was a fairy. She was a good one. She said, "You can sing again after you do a good thing to someone else."

From then on, Isabel was always good to everybody. She wanted her voice back. However, it never came back. So, she travelled from one city to another to do good things.

One day, when she took a rest in a forest after her long journey, she saw a thin little boy. The boy was hungry. Without thinking of herself, Isabel gave her only sandwich. Suddenly she could sing again. Her beautiful voice was back.

3. What would happen if Isabel did not give her sandwich to the hungry boy?
 - I. The curse would not disappear.
 - II. She could not do her hobby, singing songs.
 - III. The hungry boy would curse her.
 - IV. The witch would come and helped the hungry boy.
 - A. I and II
 - B. II and III
 - C. I and III
 - D. II and IV
4. Why couldn't Isabel sing?
 - A. The beggar asked her some money.
 - B. The beggar cursed her.
 - C. She was starving.
 - D. She was a witch.
5. What can we learn from the story?
 - A. We must be kind to everyone.
 - B. We should give money to everyone.
 - C. We should take good care of ourselves.
 - D. We have to punish the annoying people.

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7. Who is likely interested in reading the text of this advertisement?

- A. People looking for exercise equipment.
- B. Customers searching for clothing deals.
- C. Individuals interested in home improvement.
- D. Those seeking discounts on kitchen appliances.



The Mona Lisa is a half-length portrait painting by Leonardo da Vinci. It is considered as an masterpiece of the Italian Renaissance, and has been described as "the best known, the most visited, the most written about, the most sung about, the most parodied work of art". The painting's quality is due to the subject's expression, the monumentality of the composition, the subtle modelling of forms, and the atmospheric illusionism.

Mona in Italian is a polite form originated from *ma donna* – similar to *Madam* in English. This became *madonna*, and then contracted to be *mona*. The title of the painting, then is commonly spelled in modern Italian as *Monna Lisa* for the painting is likely of the Italian noblewoman Lisa Gherardini, the wife of Francesco del Giocondo. It had been believed that it had been painted between 1503 and 1506. However, Leonardo may have continued working on it as late as 1517.

The *Mona Lisa* is one of the most valuable paintings in the world. It holds the Guinness World Record for the highest known insurance valuation in history at US\$100 million in 1962 (equivalent to \$650 million in 2018). It was acquired by King Francis I of France and is now the property of the French Republic, on permanent display at the Louvre Museum in Paris since 1797.

8. The text is written with the aim to
- A. inform the naming process of *the Mona Lisa*
 - B. depict particular information about *the Mona Lisa*
 - C. give certain information about the origin of *the Mona Lisa*
 - D. describe the process of *the Mona Lisa* as the best painting
9. What makes *the Mona Lisa* becomes the Italian Renaissance masterpiece?
- A. Its best known, written about, sung about, and parodied work of art.
 - B. Its expression, composition, forms, and atmospheric illusionism.
 - C. Its record as one of the Italian Renaissance's paintings.
 - D. Its half-length portrait painting of Leonardo da Vinci's.
- 10.. What is the second paragraph talking about?
- A. How Gherardini became the model.
 - B. The original name of the model.
 - C. How the painting got its name.
 - D. The history of *the Mona Lisa*.