

ΘΕΜΑ 1. ΚΑΤΑΝΟΗΣΗ ΓΡΑΠΤΟΥ ΛΟΓΟΥ

Read the text and choose the correct option (A, B or C) for items 1-10.

Like many Greek islands, Tilos has lost most of its population in the past. Up in the hills, away from the beaches and bays, lies the empty village of Mikro Chorio. It was abandoned in the decades after the Second World War. Today, goats walk through the deserted houses. The village inhabitants left after the Second World War, seeking new lives in Athens, the United States and Australia.



But recently, Tilos has welcomed a dozen refugee families. The presence of the refugees has brought money to the island. They receive a small allowance from the UNHCR and spend the money in local shops. Now there are plans to build a cheese factory on Tilos, to take advantage of the milk produced by the 15,000 goats that wander its mountains and valleys.



"Some shepherds use the milk and one or two make their own cheese but it's for their families. It could work," said Stathis Kontos, special adviser to the mayor. It is hoped that the cheese factory will provide jobs for both Syrians and locals.

"The locals know how and the refugees can follow," said Mr. Kontos. This project may help Tilos' economy which depends a lot on tourism.

Some of the refugees hope to join relatives already settled in Germany or other EU countries, but the mayor hopes the rest will remain and rebuild their shattered lives on Tilos.

(230 words)

1. The text talks about how
 - A. the refugees have replaced the lost population of the island.
 - B. inhabitants and refugees can work together to keep the island alive.
 - C. the refugees can learn things from the inhabitants before they leave the island.
2. A suitable title for this text could be
 - A. No room for refugees
 - B. Refugees bring money
 - C. Refugees can be involved
3. According to the text, the village of Mikro Chorio
 - A. has no residents.
 - B. is located by the sea.
 - C. is visited by old residents.
4. The inhabitants of Mikro Chorio left it in order to
 - A. escape from the Second World War.
 - B. start new lives in other places.
 - C. travel around the world for pleasure.
5. The refugees support the economy of the island by
 - A. bringing money from their countries.
 - B. renting houses on the island.
 - C. spending money in the local market.
6. In the text the underlined phrase "take advantage of" means
 - A. use
 - B. save
 - C. help
7. In the text the underlined word "receive" means
 - A. collect
 - B. are given
 - C. refuse
8. The cheese factory could give work to
 - A. shepherds and their kids.
 - B. residents and refugees.
 - C. tourists visiting the island.
9. The mayor of Tilos would like some of the refugees to
 - A. settle in the island.
 - B. bring more relatives.
 - C. build their own houses.
10. According to the text, the refugees can
 - A. bring a lot of money to the island.
 - B. start their own businesses.
 - C. have a positive effect on the island.