



Sonia's Home

Most teenagers live in flats or houses, but right now Sonia Ruiz is waking up somewhere in the Pacific Ocean because her home is a 20-metre boat. She has (1) over half her life sailing with her mother and father, who are both scientists.

Sonia's unusual (2) of life means she regularly sees whales and gets to swim with dolphins, and she has (3) friends all over the world. She does her schoolwork online and her studies are going well.

Life on board, though, is sometimes uncomfortable. Space is limited, so there are no wide-screen TVs or soft sofas.

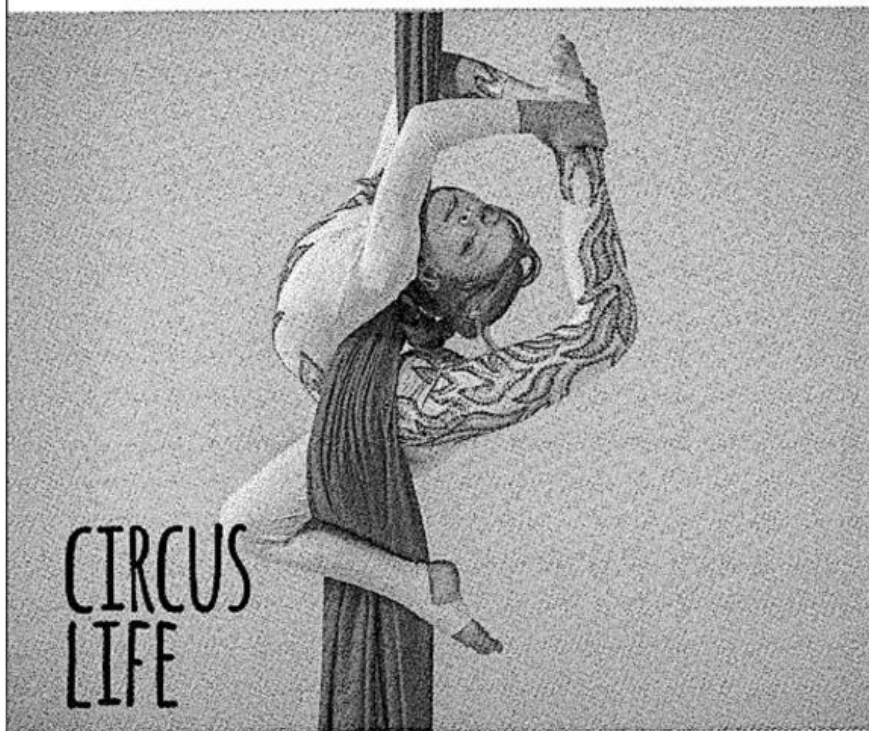
Bad (4) that lasts for days is common,

(5) in winter. Storms at sea can be frightening, although modern boat equipment usually helps sailors

(6) them.

Sonia loves her boat and she nearly always feels safe on it. She contacts friends by using social media and whenever they get together, they have great fun in the sea and on the beach.





Saran is an acrobat. She works in a circus that travels around the world. What is unusual is that she is eleven years old and already a full-time circus performer. Her daily (1) is actually quite strict. Most days she gets up late and (2) maths, science and English classes with the rest of the children in the circus. Then she trains for two hours every afternoon before the (3) in the evening. Normally, Saran, like all of the other members of the circus, does five or six performances a week, so it's (4) work. Her parents are also part of the circus and make sure Saran gets enough sleep and has a healthy (5) Although she doesn't have many hours of school, she speaks four languages and has been to many countries, so her (6) of the world is greater than most children her age.

1 For each question, choose the correct answer.

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| 1 | A way | B custom | C routine | D habit |
| 2 | A attends | B makes | C sits | D goes |
| 3 | A play | B exhibition | C presentation | D show |
| 4 | A heavy | B hard | C huge | D long |
| 5 | A food | B dish | C diet | D supply |
| 6 | A advice | B knowledge | C education | D information |