Reading



5 ★ **Read the text and for questions 1-4 choose the right answer *A*, *B*, *C* or *D*.**

Jacqui lives with her family on a sheep farm in the outback of Australia. The nearest town is two hundred miles away, so she must study at home. Once or twice a year, she goes into the school building. The rest of the time, the school comes to her. She completes all of her schoolwork by post, radio or via the Internet.

"I usually get up at six o'clock. I must feed the chickens and collect their eggs, then we have breakfast. After that, I turn on my computer and check my messages. School starts at eight thirty with assembly and registration. We have lessons before lunch, and early in the afternoon. At five o'clock, I help my mother to make dinner and then I do my homework.

I really like living in the outback. My father and brothers are sheep herders, and I love working with them. I enjoy the School of the Air because I can stay at home and learn, but I miss my friends. My best friend Stephanie lives two hundred miles away and I only see her once a year at school. She has to go into school every day."

The 'real' school is in Alice Springs, in the heart of the Australian outback. This is where the teachers give their lessons. The school provides education to children in the most isolated parts of Australia and is fifty years old. There is a visitor centre for tourists.

1 According to the text, Jacqui
- A lives in an Australian town.
- B uses the Internet to help her with her schooling.
- C travels two hundred miles daily to get to school.
- D only studies once or twice a year.

2 Jacqui's day begins
- A with eggs for breakfast.
- B with checking her messages.
- C with assembly and registration at school.
- D with feeding the chickens.

3 Jacqui's only problem is that
- A she has too much work.
- B she has to stay at home a lot.
- C her friend lives too far away.
- D she has to go to school every day.

4 Jacqui's school
- A is in the middle of the outback.
- B only educates students near Alice Springs.
- C has a fifty-year-old visitor centre.
- D has teachers that travel all over the outback.

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