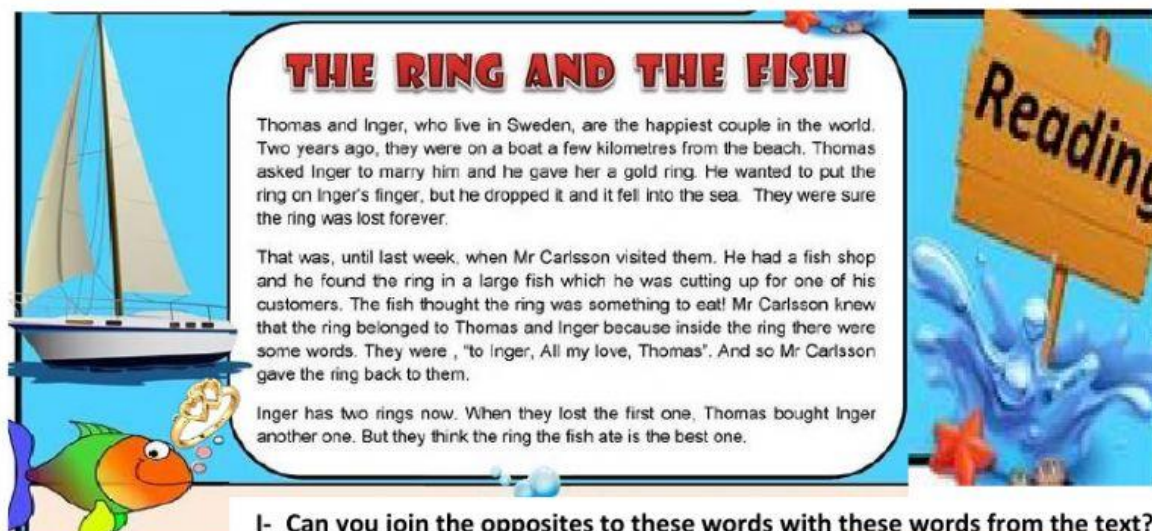




THE RING AND THE FISH

Thomas and Inger, who live in Sweden, are the happiest couple in the world. Two years ago, they were on a boat a few kilometres from the beach. Thomas asked Inger to marry him and he gave her a gold ring. He wanted to put the ring on Inger's finger, but he dropped it and it fell into the sea. They were sure the ring was lost forever.

That was, until last week, when Mr Carlsson visited them. He had a fish shop and he found the ring in a large fish which he was cutting up for one of his customers. The fish thought the ring was something to eat! Mr Carlsson knew that the ring belonged to Thomas and Inger because inside the ring there were some words. They were, "to Inger, All my love, Thomas". And so Mr Carlsson gave the ring back to them.

Inger has two rings now. When they lost the first one, Thomas bought Inger another one. But they think the ring the fish ate is the best one.

I- Can you join the opposites to these words with these words from the text?

1.Saddest

4.Small

6.Hate

First

The best

2.A lot of

7.Last

Large

Marry

3.Divorce

5.Outside

8.The worst

Happiest

Love

Few

Inside

II- Now, read the and choose **TRUE** or **FALSE**.

- Thomas and Inger were on a boat far from the beach.
- Two years ago, Thomas and Inger weren't married.
- Thomas wanted to give Inger a ring.
- After the ring fell into the sea, they thought the ring was not going to appear.
- Mr Carlsson sold them another ring.

III- Read again the story and order the following sentences, please.

Perhaps a fish ate the ring.

Thomas gave Inger a gold ring.

The ring had the words: "to Inger, All my love Thomas"

This first ring fell into the sea.

Thomas bought another ring.

- Thomas and Inger are a very happy couple.

They prefer the first ring.

Mr. Carlsson brought the ring back to the couple.

Thomas asked Inger to marry him two year ago,

They thought the ring was lost for ever.

IV- Is this real love? Join the phrases to know the answer.

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| a) Yes, this is | two years later. |
| b) They are the happiest | another ring. |
| c) They didn't worry | real love. |
| d) Thomas bought | because they lost the first ring. |
| e) They got married | couple in the world. |