



Sombat had a teacher from England called Carol. He told her he wanted to go to England and see snow. **He** hated the hot weather in Thailand. Carol smiled.

5 "Nobody loves their country's weather," she said. "When **I** was a child, my family did not have enough money to heat our house. I was so cold that it made me ill. I was so cold that I could not sleep. Worst of all, icy cold water came through the holes in my shoes when I walked outside. It hurt so much that I cried. Thai people are so fortunate to live in a hot country. I hate cold weather."

10 Sombat was amazed. He thought England had the best weather in the world because **it** had snow. He still wanted to play with snowballs.

I. UNDERSTANDING PRONOUNS

1. The word "**He**" (line 2) refers to _____.
2. The word "**I**" (line 4) refers to _____.
3. The word "**it**" (line 11) refers to _____.

II. UNDERSTANDING VOCABULARY

Match the meanings under Y with the words or phrases under X. Write the appropriate letter (a, b, c, ...etc.) in front of the number (1, 2, 3, ...etc.) under X.

X

Y

_____ 1. to heat our house (line 5)	a. was painful
_____ 2. ill (line 6)	b. surprised
_____ 3. worst of all (line 6)	c. sick
_____ 4. hurt (line 8)	d. small round pieces of frozen water which children in cold weather like to throw at each other
_____ 5. fortunate (line 8)	
_____ 6. amazed (line 10)	e. to keep the place where we live warm
_____ 7. snowballs (line 11)	f. lucky
	g. the most unpleasant thing was

III.

UNDERSTANDING THE MAIN IDEA

Circle the best answer.

1. The main idea of this passage is that _____.
 - a. cold weather is good and hot weather is bad
 - b. most people think the weather in other countries is better
 - c. other countries' weather is usually better than Thailand's
2. The best title for this passage would be _____.
 - a. Fun in the Snow
 - b. The Weather in England
 - c. Snow : Not All Fun and Games

IV.

UNDERSTANDING DETAILS

A. MULTIPLE CHOICE

Circle the best answer.

1. This story probably happened _____.
 - a. in Thailand on a hot day
 - b. during a history lesson
 - c. in England when it was snowing
2. Carol tells us that her parents were _____.
 - a. very rich
 - b. quite poor
 - c. unkind to her
3. When Carol was a child, the cold weather _____.
 - a. was no problem
 - b. made her sleepy
 - c. kept her awake
4. Carol remembers how ice-cold water _____.
 - a. was good to drink
 - b. kept her shoes clean
 - c. made her very unhappy
5. Carol thinks that Thailand is _____.
 - a. nice and hot
 - b. much too hot
 - c. not hot enough



6. At the end of the story, Sombat _____.
 - a. feels that hot weather is better
 - b. still thinks snow could be fun
 - c. changes his mind about living in the snow
7. We learn from this passage that _____.
 - a. nobody is happy with what they have
 - b. the things we already have are the best
 - c. England has better weather than Thailand

B. TRUE-FALSE

Write T in front of the statements that are correct and F in front of the statements that are incorrect.

_____ 1. Sombat used to study with a foreign teacher.

_____ 2. Carol said nobody liked Thailand's weather.

_____ 3. Carol's parents were not rich.

_____ 4. The weather can make people ill.

_____ 5. The ice-cold water in her shoes made Carol feel nice and cool.

_____ 6. Carol did not like cold weather.

_____ 7. Carol had bad memories of Thailand.

_____ 8. Sombat thinks snow is good fun.

_____ 9. Carol and Sombat have different feelings about cold weather.

_____ 10. Sombat knew that living in a cold country could be unpleasant.

UNDERSTANDING WAYS TO DESCRIBE THE WEATHER

Fill in each blank with one of the following words.

1. The _____ weather will flood the fields.
2. Thai people get very hot when they work in the _____.
3. It was _____ so hard that Sompong could not go out to play.
4. In Florida a strong _____ blew cars off the road.
5. Prasert's favourite month was December because it was _____ at night.
6. People in England need umbrellas because it _____ so much.
7. It was _____ so hard that Carol could not see across the road.
8. When it is _____, Australians like to lie on the beach.
9. If it is _____ tomorrow, Dara can fly her kite.
10. When it _____ in Canada, children have snowball fights.

rainy

raining

windy

snowing

rains

sunny

cool

wind

snows
sunshine

