

# Review 2 ADVANCED

(Units 1, 2, 3)



## C. READING



**IX** Read the passage. Decide if the statements are true (T) or false (F).



Terraced rice fields are located in the northern mountainous provinces. Local ethnic minority peoples can grow rice and establish terraced rice fields, one after another, from the foot to nearly top of mountains. In distance, the terraced rice fields look like a picture of nature with heart-catching beauty keeping tourists to stay for admiration for a while. This picture however has its colour changed seasonally. As usual in April and May, the local people water their fields at full to prepare for a new crop. At this time, the surface of terraced fields shines like a mirror. In June and July, the terraced rice fields with fully-grown paddy rice and forest trees spread the green out to the entire area. In September and October when autumn ends, the terraced rice fields look like golden silk scarves flying over in the wind above green mountain slopes. Famous terraced rice fields can be found in Yen Bai, Ha Giang. Especially, the fields in Sa Pa (Lao Cai Province) were voted as one of seven most beautiful and impressive terraced rice fields of Asia.

1. Terraced fields are established from the middle to the top of mountains. ....
2. Tourists are amazed with the beauty of terraced fields. ....
3. Terraced fields keep its color the same all year round. ....
4. Harvest time falls in September and October. ....
5. Sapa' terraced fields were among the most beautiful fields of the world. ....

**X** Read the passage.

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Fill in the blank with a suitable word.

My first camera was a Canon Snappy 50 given to me by my mom when I (1) ..... 8. It's unusually long frame and that little orange tab to make the flash fire were icing on the cake for an 8-yo! I wanted the star-spangled version but that was unavailable (2) ..... Asia back then.

Anyway, my mom was a shutter bug, not in a technical or artistic sense, however. Like most moms, she snapped everything and records every little embarrassing memorable moment that (3) ..... sister and I went through. It was (4) ..... a diary for her, and she ended up having suitcases of photo prints sorted in plastic bags and labels. Fast forward to my grade school and high school years, my camera adventures circled around taking (5) ..... of friends, skateboarding antics, and martial art events. I became much more interested (6) ..... photography. Now that I'm a father, my camera's job circled back to what my mom used to (7) ..... , documenting my son's adventures. My son's daily photo diary started four years (8) ..... and I'm still doing it now. I wished I was able to start the daily photo project earlier, but at least I took enough pictures of him since birth that my collection can still be considered 'complete'.

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**Decide if the statements are true (T) or false (F).**

1. He himself bought the camera. ....
2. His mom was good at using technical things. ....
3. His mom took many photos of the children. ....
4. The camera was never used at his school. ....
5. He didn't take photos of his son when the son was born. ....