Alice in Wonderland

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There was a tree in front of the house. Under the tree was a big table with a lot of chairs round it. But there were only three at the table: the Mad Hatter, the March **Hare** and a large brown mouse. The Mouse sat between the Mad Hatter and the March Hare. It was asleep, so they talked over its head.

When they saw Alice, they cried, 'No, no, you can't sit here! There isn't a **place** for you!'

'There are a lot of places,' Alice said. She sat down in a chair at one end of the table.

'Have some **wine**,' the Mad Hatter said politely.

Alice looked round the table but there was only **tea**.

'I don't see any wine,' she answered.

'There isn't any,' said the March Hare.

'Then why did you say, "Have some wine"? It wasn't very **polite** of you,' Alice said angrily.

'We didn't invite you to tea, but you came. That wasn't very polite of *you*,' said the March Hare.

'No, it wasn't. Cut your hair!' said the Mad Hatter.

'Oh, be quiet,' said Alice.

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The Mad Hatter opened his eyes very **wide** but he said nothing. Then he took out his watch and looked at it. 'What day is it?' he asked.

Alice thought for a little. 'Wednesday, I think,' she said.

'My watch says Monday,' the Mad Hatter said. 'You see, I was right. Butter isn't good for a watch.' He looked **angrily** at the March Hare.

'But it was the *best* butter,' answered the March Hare.

'Yes, but you put it in with the bread knife. Perhaps some bread got in.'

The March Hare took the watch from the Mad Hatter and looked at it sadly. Then he put it in his tea. He took it out and looked at it again. 'It was the *best* butter, you know,' he repeated.

Alice looked at the watch. 'It's a strange watch!' she said. 'It tells you the day but it doesn't tell you the time.'

'So, does your watch tell you the year?' asked the Mad Hatter.

'No,' Alice answered, 'but it's the same year for a very long time.'

'And my watch doesn't tell the time because it's always tea-time.'

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Ex.1. Choose the correct word

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angrily	the way you speak or act when something has made you unhappy or cross
.....	a big rabbit
.....	where you sit or stand
.....	this is when you say please and thank you
.....	a hot, brown drink
.....	open as much as possible
.....	a red or white drink for men and women

Ex.2. Choose the correct sentence

1 **a** The Mad Hatter, the March Hare and the mouse want Alice to sit at the table.
b The Mad Hatter, the March Hare and the mouse don't want Alice to sit at the table.

2 **a** The mouse doesn't say anything.
b The mouse talks a lot.

3 **a** Alice doesn't think the Mad Hatter and the March Hare are very polite.
b Alice thinks the Mad Hatter and the March Hare are very polite.

4 **a** Alice cuts her hair.
b Alice doesn't cut her hair.

5 **a** The Mad Hatter's watch has numbers.
b The Mad Hatter's watch has the days of the week.

6 **a** The March Hare puts the watch in his tea.
b The March Hare puts the watch in his cake.

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Ex.3. True or False? Choose

1 There was a small table under the tree. False

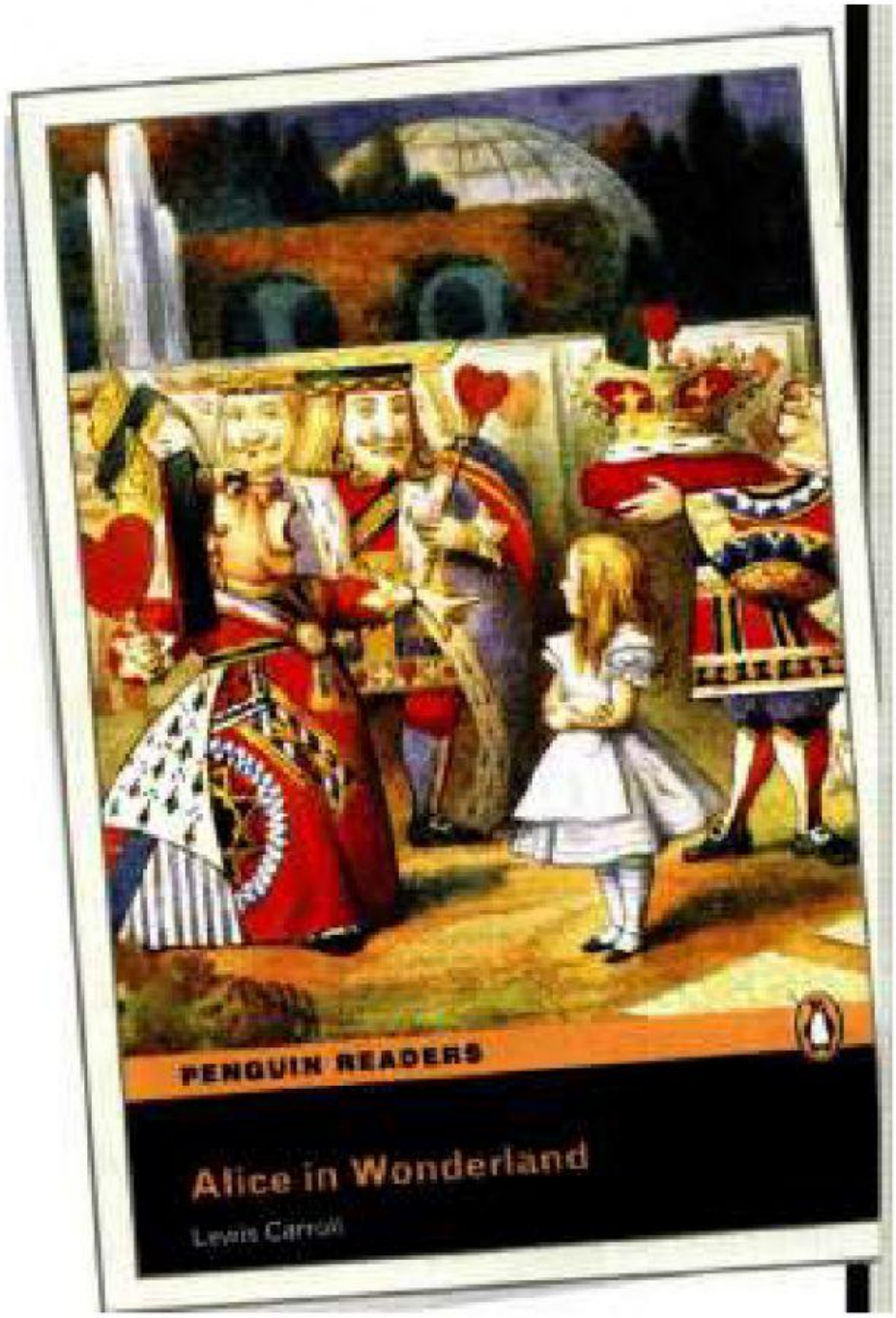
2 The Mad Hatter invited Alice to tea. .....

3 They drink wine. .....

4 The March Hare put butter on the Mad Hatter's watch. .....

5 The Mad Hatter thinks his watch is strange. .....

6 Alice thinks the watch is strange. .....



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