READING – A rainy day

Last week, as usual, I locked my flat at a quarter to eight to go to work. I went down in the lift, but when I opened the door into the street I saw it was raining heavily. I went back inside, took the lift up and went into my flat to get an umbrella. It was not in its usual place, and I spent a few minutes looking for it. Finally I found it in the bathroom.

It was getting late, so I quickly closed the door, but I forgot my briefcase inside. I realised that as soon as I reached the street, but the lift was going up and I did not want to wait, so I ran up the stairs to my flat on the third floor. I took my briefcase and ran back down the stairs, because the lift was still moving, but as I opened the door to the street I realised I didn't have my key. It was probably in the door! I couldn't leave it there, so I had to go up once again.

Sure enough, there was my key, in the keyhole. I took it and ran back down, but when I got to the bus stop, the bus was already moving away. I waved at the driver, but he did not see me through the rain. In the end I had to walk all the way to my office in the rain, because the next bus was half an hour later. I arrived nearly twenty minutes late, and my boss was not very pleased to see me.

Choose the correct answer for each question:

1. Why did the protagonist of the story go back into his flat the first time?
   a) Because he needed his key.
   b) Because he needed an umbrella.
   c) Because he needed his briefcase.
2. Where was it?
   a) It was in the bathroom.
   b) It was in the lift.
   c) It was near the door.

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3. Why did he close the door quickly?

   a) Because it was late.
   b) Because it was raining.
   c) Because he was going to work.

4. What did he forget in his flat?

   a) He forgot his briefcase.
   b) He forgot his key.
   c) He forgot his money.

5. Why didn't he use the lift to go up to his flat?

   a) Because it was not working.
   b) Because it was too slow.
   c) Because it was too full of people.

6. Why did he go up the last time?

   a) Because he didn't have his key.
   b) Because he didn't have his briefcase.
   c) Because he didn't have his watch.

7. How many times did he go back up to his flat?

   a) Twice.
   b) Three times.
   c) Four times.

8. Why didn't the driver stop?

   a) Because it was raining.
   b) Because he didn't see him.
   c) Because he was in a hurry.

9. How did he get to his office?

   a) On the bus.
   b) On a train.
   c) On foot.

10. How did his boss feel?

    a) Impatient
    b) Annoyed
    c) Unhappy

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