

Reading

Strategy

After you have made your choice, check your answer by deciding why the other options are wrong.

1 Read the Strategy. Then read the text and the question below. Choose the correct option. Sum up in a sentence why each of the other options is incorrect. Underline the part of the text that tells you this. The first one has been done for you.

It isn't 'A' because the writer is planning to start touring again.

Living cheaply in New Zealand

I've been in New Zealand for six months, and, as far as I'm concerned, it's the adventure capital of the world! Hiking, skydiving, caving, ... the list goes on. And it doesn't have to cost a lot to live here. When I arrived, I stayed in a hostel in Auckland. It was cheap, and I met lots of people. I joined up with a few of them and we started touring the country – buses are the cheapest way to get about. We stayed in affordable campsites in the most amazing places. Right now, I'm back in a hostel in Wellington. I'm taking a city break before I start touring again.

1 What does the author say about being in New Zealand?

- A He's planning to go home now.
- B He prefers travelling on his own.
- C He's spent a lot of money.
- D He has seen both town and country.

2 Now read the three texts. Choose the correct answer (A–D).

How to make money travelling

After I left university, I set out on a three-month trip to Asia. The idea was to travel and then go home and find a job. That was two years ago, and I'm still here! But how, you may ask, can you make money and travel at the same time? I teach English. I also write a travel blog, and that makes money too. I don't have a lot of money, but I can pay my bills. I have friends that do other things, such as hairdressing. There are lots of different ways to make money while you're travelling.

1 What does the author say about his experience?

- A He spent three months in Asia.
- B He now knows what job he wants to train for.
- C He became very rich.
- D He changed his plans.

So you want to be a billionaire?

Self-made billionaires have one thing in common: they're good at making money. Most of them will also tell you that this talent is only part of the story. So what else do you need to be a success in the business world? *So you want to be a billionaire?* helps you understand. The book looks at the careers and methods of the world's most famous self-made billionaires. Each chapter examines how these billionaires made their fortune – and how you can do the same. Read *So you want to be a billionaire* and open the door to a great future!

2 The author of the text wants to ...

- A sell people a book.
- B explain the life of a billionaire.
- C encourage readers to write a book about their lives.
- D describe how he became successful.

The cost of art

Paul Cézanne's painting *The Card Players* sold for 250 million dollars. Before that, Francis Bacon's work *Three Studies of Lucian Freud* sold for 142.4 million. The question is: Why would you spend so much on a piece of art? Is it because you want to own something no one else can buy? Here's another story ... Banksy is a street artist whose work can sell for a million dollars. But one day he sold his paintings in Central Park for sixty dollars. The people that bought them didn't know the paintings were by Banksy. Now they have some very valuable works!

3 The text gives readers ...

- A reasons for the high price of some art.
- B information about the cost of art.
- C ideas on how to make money from art.
- D advice on the best artists to see.

Listening

Strategy

Before you listen, look at the statements carefully and underline the key words. Sometimes the information in the statement is true for one of the speakers, but it is incorrect for the speaker in the statement. Listen carefully to hear which speaker gives the information.

3 Read the Strategy. Then look at the task below and underline the key words in the questions. The first one has been done for you.

4  2.07 Listen to the conversation twice. Decide if the statements are true or false.

	True	False
1 Lucy has a <u>relative</u> living in Spain.		
2 Ben prefers the town to the <u>country</u> .		
3 Ben prefers to relax when he is on <u>holiday</u> .		
4 Ben's uncle can teach Lucy <u>Spanish</u> cooking.		
5 Lucy tells Ben about a <u>good</u> hotel to stay at.		
6 Lucy gives Ben some advice about <u>a job</u> .		
7 Lucy is planning to return to Spain in <u>September</u> .		