

# Reading Comprehension

## Studying Aboard

### vocabulary (คำศัพท์)

- **abroad (adv.):** in or to a foreign country  
(ต่างประเทศ, ต่างแดน, เมืองนอก)
- **dining hall (n.):** dining room for large groups of people  
(ห้องอาหาร ขนาดใหญ่)
- **flavor (n.):** distinctive taste; savor (รสชาติ)
- **impressive (adj.):** causing admiration (น่าประทับใจ)
- **trouble (n.):** problem or difficulty (ปัญหา, อุปสรรค)
- **professor (n.):** the principal lecturer or teacher in a field of learning at a university or college (อาจารย์ในมหาวิทยาลัย)
- **accent (n.):** a way of saying words that shows what country, region, or social class someone comes from (สำเนียง)
- **charming (adj.):** pleasing and attractive (น่าเสน่ห์, น่าหลงใหล)
- **pleasant (adj.):** giving or affording pleasure or enjoyment; agreeable (สุขุมสุนทรีย์, สบายใจ)
- **changeable (adj.):** likely to change or changing often  
(ที่เปลี่ยนแปลงได้, ไม่ตายตัว, ไม่แน่นอน)
- **cloudy (adj.):** full of or covered with clouds; overcast  
(ที่ปิดคลุก ด้วยเมฆ)
- **midday (n.):** the middle of the day; noon (เที่ยงวัน)
- **roommate (n.):** a person that you share a room with  
(เพื่อนร่วมห้อง)
- **look forward to (v.):** to be excited about something that is going to happen (ตั้งตารอ)

# Reading Comprehension

## Studying Aboard

Hi, Mom and Dad,

How are you all? I miss you all a lot. It's the longest I've ever been away from home!

Life here is very different from Monterrey. But studying here will be a great experience for me, and so far I'm enjoying it very much. The food in the university dining hall is OK, but it doesn't have much flavor. I miss mom's cooking. On the weekend, I'm going to London, so I'll have lunch in a Mexican restaurant. There's lots of spicy Indian food here, but it's not the same.

Oxford University is very impressive, and it is one of the oldest in Europe. It started in 1254. I'm having a little trouble, not with the classes, but with understanding what the professors are saying. I studied American English in Mexico, and I'm not used to the British accent yet.

The town of Oxford is charming and has a pleasant atmosphere. The countryside is really beautiful and green—so different from Monterrey. The trouble is the weather—it's so changeable: it'll be cloudy in the morning, the sun will come out around midday, and maybe it'll rain in the afternoon.

My room is small but it's comfortable and warm. My roommate, Igor, is from Russia, so we speak English all the time. We're planning to travel together during the holidays. We'll probably go to Wales or maybe to Scotland. I'm looking forward to that.

Love, Fernando



# Reading Comprehension

Directions: Read each passage carefully and choose the correct answer to each question. You will gain one mark for each correct answer.

อ่านเนื้อเรื่องต่อไปนี้ และเลือกคำตอบที่ถูกต้องที่สุดเพียงคำตอบเดียว

1. Who wrote the letter?

- 1. Mom
- 2. Dad
- 3. Igor
- 4. Fernando

2. What does the author think about the food in Oxford?

- 1. It is good.
- 2. It is bad.
- 3. It doesn't have much taste.
- 4. He likes only the Indian food in Oxford.

3. Fernando is going to London \_\_\_\_\_.

- 1. on Monday
- 2. next week
- 3. on Thursday
- 4. on Saturday

4. Oxford is \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

- 1. modern and old
- 2. old and cold
- 3. warm and charming
- 4. old and pleasant

5. What does the author think about the weather?

- 1. It is difficult to understand.
- 2. He doesn't like it.
- 3. He does like it.
- 4. It is very different from Mexico.

6. Igor is \_\_\_\_\_.

- 1. from Wales
- 2. Scottish
- 3. Russian
- 4. not able to speak English

7. Overall, what is Fernando's experience in Oxford?

- 1. Good
- 2. Bad
- 3. He doesn't say.
- 4. Very difficult

