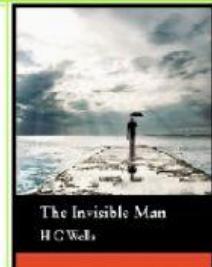


Reading Practice - Unit 5

Look at the cover of the book. 

- What kind of story could that be? Do you think it is:
serious (poważna)
funny (zabawna)
easy to read (łatwa do czytania)
scary (straszna)
depressing (przygnębająca) ?



Read the text. What is it? 

- a summary (streszczenie)
- a review (recenzja)
- a quotation (cytat)

When a mysterious stranger arrives in a small English village, the villagers are shocked by the strange clothes he wears that cover his whole body, and even his face. The stranger is a scientist, and he continues his experiments in the village. But what are these experiments? And what is the stranger trying to hide?

Look at the words (a - f). Use a translator/a dictionary and match them to the definitions (1 - 6):

a. blood	1 something you cannot see
b. escape	2 to say you will not do something that someone has asked you to do
c. landlord	3 the red liquid that flows around your body
d. diary	4 run away
e. invisible	5 a book in which you write about your experiences every day
f. refuse	6 a man who owns a house/flat which people can rent

Read the extract from the book.

The Invisible Man is talking to his friend, Dr Kemp. He is telling him about his previous experiments and explaining to him how he made himself invisible.

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The **Invisible** Man stopped. He did not say anything for a minute or two.

'I remember the day that I became invisible very well,' he continued. 'It was a beautiful, cold, sunny day in January. I went for a walk in the park. I knew I had to work quickly because I had no more money. I went back to my room and had lunch, and then went to sleep.'

'I woke up after about an hour,' continued the Invisible Man. 'Someone was knocking on the door. It was my **landlord**. He was worried. What was I doing in the room? Why all the noise? What was that cat noise? He came into the room and started looking at things. I told him to go. He **refused**. In the end I pushed him out of the door and locked it. He shouted at me outside the door, but I didn't listen.'

'But this worried me,' he continued. 'I knew that I didn't have very much time. I couldn't move to another room because I didn't have enough money. There was only

one way to **escape** – invisibility. It was the answer to all my problems. But first I needed to find some place for my **diaries**. There's a shop in Great Portland Street where you can send letters and they look after them for you. It's not cheap, but it seemed the best answer. I found a box, put my diaries in it, took it to the Post Office and posted them. I was ready.'

'So what did you do next?' asked Dr Kemp.

'I went back to my room,' answered the Invisible Man. 'The first thing I needed was the drugs to take the colour out of my **blood**. I drank them and sat down and waited. After a few minutes there was a knock at the door. It was the landlord again. He wanted me to leave the house immediately. But when he saw me he looked very frightened and ran off back down the stairs. I shut the door, and locked it, and looked in the mirror. My face was completely white, like a white stone.'

'It was a long night,' continued the Invisible Man. 'My body hurt all over, and I thought for some time I was dying. But in the early morning I looked at my hands. They were almost invisible. After another hour or two I was completely invisible.'

Read the text again and choose the correct answers:

- 1 On the day the man became invisible
 - a he ate a meal.
 - b he had no financial problems.
 - c he did not do any physical activity.
 - d it was warm.
- 2 When the landlord came to visit the Invisible Man for the first time, he
 - a asked why he was so quiet.
 - b was looking for something.
 - c did not want to leave the room.
 - d seemed relaxed.
- 3 The man wanted to become invisible because he
 - a did not want anyone to know the truth.
 - b could not afford to move house.
 - c wanted to run away.
 - d was in a hurry to send his letters.

- 4 Why did the man remember the day he became invisible?
 - a The weather was unusual.
 - b It was an incredible event in his life.
 - c He had set the date long before.
 - d The landlord asked him to leave on that day.
- 5 In what order do the events of the story happen?
 - a The hero takes the invisibility drugs, has lunch and argues with the landlord.
 - b The hero argues with the landlord, takes the invisibility drugs and has lunch.
 - c The hero has lunch, argues with the landlord and takes the invisibility drugs.
 - d The hero takes the invisibility drugs, argues with the landlord and has lunch.
- 6 What is the extract of the story about?
 - a a medical experiment
 - b a friendship between two men
 - c a reason why someone had to disappear
 - d an argument about money

Read the texts 1 - 3. Which text is...

a. a leaflet (*ulotka*) b. a blog entry (*wpis na blogu*) c. an email ?

Text 1



Is your English teacher making you read *Hamlet* or *Romeo and Juliet*? Here's a more exciting way to get to know them – attend a performance at SHAKESPEARE'S GLOBE THEATRE!



- experience Shakespeare's plays live on stage
- see a reconstructed theatre and learn what theatres looked like in Shakespeare's times
- take part in talks before and after the show that help to make sense of some parts of the plot
- visit our library and archives and learn even more
- become an actor for a day and rehearse with professionals

Text 2

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If you're in London right now and didn't spend this night at the British Summer Time Hyde Park festival then you missed out on the best party ever. The place was packed and we saw Bruno Mars perform his greatest hits live! I still can't believe it, especially since they're all at the top of my playlists! I must say I had read many enthusiastic reviews of his concerts but I still wasn't prepared for it. The lights, the pyrotechnics and his music – it all created this party vibe so everyone was singing along with him. Now I truly see what a talented artist he is – the things he can do with his voice, his perfect dance moves – it was unbelievable. I'll never forget it!

Anyone else there? What did you think?

Przeczytaj teksty 1 i 2. Na ich podstawie uzupełnij luki w tekście 3. W każdej luce możesz wpisać nie więcej niż 4 wyrazy.

Text 3

Hi Mum,

Just wanted to let you know I'm having fun at Aunt Jenny's. I'm enjoying myself and learning something too! :) I had imagined London to be just boring museums and historical places, but they're actually fun. The museums were interactive and interesting. We also went to see Shakespeare's theatre. Not just his play but the theatre as it was ¹ _____ because they've reconstructed it. You know I'm not a big fan, but this time I actually understood what the play was about thanks to ² _____ the show. We went to see *Hamlet* and I think it will be very useful because I'm sure our ³ _____ will ask us to read it next year. We also went to see Bruno Mars in concert at Hyde Park. As you can imagine there ⁴ _____ people there and everyone was very excited. The concert was ⁵ _____ than I had thought, even though I love his songs!

Talk to you soon!

Love,

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