Spotlight 7	Reading Task 7501

Read the text and mark the statements True (1), False (2), Not Stated (3).

A Library with No Books?

How will you feel if you walk into your local public library and instead of hundreds of shelves with all kinds of exciting books, you see a modern store with computers and other electronic gadgets? That is exactly the vision Nelson Wolff, the Texas judge, has for BiblioTech, a new kind of public library. He says that he loves paper books, but he believes that it is time to bring the library system in the direction in which the world is going - e-books! The library will not have any paper books, but it will have over 10,000 e-Titles to browse through and even download onto their own e-Readers. For those that do not have access (доступ) to an iPad, Nook, Kindle or other e-Reading device, there will be 150 e-Readers that you can borrow, 50 of which will be for kids!

In addition, the library will also have 50 computer stations, 25 laptops and 25 tablets for people to enjoy. The number of books will grow every year, so that one day, the book selection at this hi-tech version can be as big as the one found in a traditional library. In 2011, the city of Newport Beach in California, tried to transform its library into a bookless one.

But the public did not take it too well and the officials gave up the idea. So are people ready for a bookless library? Only time will tell. Some people think that paper books are better because the computer can freeze and you won't be able to read but with paper books you can read whenever you like. But if it works, hi-tech libraries will open in many more places.

A. Hi-tech libraries look like electronic devices shops.
B. All people prefer paper books to electronic versions.
C. A number of hi-tech libraries were built in the USA.
D. There are no real books in hi-tech libraries.
E. Bookless libraries are good because computers never break.
F. The Texas library has more books (their electronic versions) than a traditional library.
G. Some people prefer traditional libraries.
H. Bookless libraries are becoming more popular in America.

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H

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