

I'm sorry that I didn't write any new blog posts last month. Let me tell you why!

My parents enjoy strange holidays, in weird places. Last week, we went on a very strange holiday – in a forest! Yes, that's right, a little house, in the middle of a forest. And, the house was at the top of a tree!

My parents told me about the idea three months ago. I didn't really want to go. I wanted to go to the beach, and have fun near the sea.

We travelled a long way by car. Then, we walked for ages through the forest (with our bags!) to the tree house. It looked very small. We went up the stairs, and I looked for somewhere to charge my phone. But there wasn't any electricity! Also, there wasn't any water! There was a small bathroom, but it used rainwater.

## READING

My father was very happy. 'No Internet, no emails!' he said.

'Thanks, Dad,' I thought. 'This is really annoying.'

But, I was wrong. After one week, the little tree house was like my home. I liked being near the trees and listening to the sound of birds every day. I loved looking at the stars. It was amazing. I don't see stars in the city.

We arrived back home two days ago. It felt really strange. I didn't like all the cars, and noise. Now, I'm really interested in nature and animals. I told my friends about my holiday. Now they all really want to go to a tree house!

Read Laura's holiday blog. Tick 7 things that she writes about.

- 1 the type of holidays her parents like
- 2 the place she wanted to go to
- 3 her first holiday
- 4 how she went to the tree house

- 5 the size of the tree house
- 6 the kitchen and the bedrooms
- 7 her father's feelings

- 8 what she did at night
- 9 the food she ate
- 10 what she liked about the tree house

# READING

Read Laura's blog again. Mark these sentences T (true) or F (false).



- 0 Laura's last blog post was one month ago.
- 1 Her parents often go to special, or different places.
- 2 Laura was excited about the holiday.
- 3 It was easy to get to the tree house.
- 4 There wasn't a lot of space inside.
- 5 She found somewhere to charge her phone.
- 6 Laura's father was very cheerful.
- 7 Laura didn't feel at home in the forest.
- 8 Her friends are quite jealous.

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# LISTENING



Listen to a conversation about how two people met. Put the events in the order they happened.

John started selling magazines.

1 John lost his home.

John asked Annie to buy his magazine.

2

John did something very generous.

3

Annie and John decided something about their future.

4

Annie met a man with no home.

5

Annie and John became good friends.

6

Annie felt very bad, because she wanted to be helpful.

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# LISTENING

► Listen again. Choose the correct answer for each question (A, B or C).

- 1 John lived on the streets because  
A he had no home.  
B he had a bad home.  
C he wanted to make money.
- 2 He sold magazines to  
A people with no homes.  
B make enough money to sleep in a hotel.  
C buy a bed.
- 3 Annie stopped walking because  
A John said something to her.  
B she wanted to look at John.  
C she didn't have any money.
- 4 She cried because she  
A didn't want to buy John's magazine.  
B was so happy to meet John.  
C wanted to buy John's magazine.
- 5 Annie didn't have any money because she  
A didn't want to live in a cold, dark flat.  
B didn't have a job.  
C gave it all to John.
- 6 John didn't want Annie to be sad, so he gave her  
A a job.  
B a magazine.  
C all his money.
- 7 Annie and John met each other again  
A after one year.  
B many times.  
C at a wedding.
- 8 One month ago, they decided to  
A start a friendship.  
B be together all their lives.  
C meet again.

# WRITING

Write a short blog post (60 words) about someone you met for the first time. Use the questions below to help you.

- Who was the person? (Was it your best friend, or another friend?)
- When and where did you meet?
- What did you do together?
- How was the other person? (happy, confident, intelligent, generous?)

