Reading Comprehension

1. **Read the text**

Escape the crowds

Would you like to stay in the only hotel on a remote, tropical island? Well, you'd better take your mobile phone with you, because there's only one telephone too! Welcome to Wittmer Lodge Hotel on Floreana Island.1____ It's also located on a black, sandy beach, which is quite unusual, and if you want to see green sand, you can visit the beach at Cormorant Point. So where is this island?

Floreana Island is part of the Galapagos Islands, which lie in the Pacific Ocean 906 kilometres west of Ecuador. 2____ It was later renamed Floreana Island after Juan José Flores, the first president of Ecuador, and the island is now ruled by Ecuador. Floreana Island has the most interesting human history of all of the Galapagos Islands. It was the home to the first Galapagos resident – a man from Ireland called Patrick Watkins. He lived there from 1807 to 1809.

Floreana is only 67 square kilometres, and its highest point is Cerro Pajas at 640 metres, which is the highest point of the island's only volcano.3_____ Around seventy people live in Puerto Velasco Ibarra, which is the port town; everyone else lives in the higher parts of the island.

Two of these islanders are the daughter and granddaughter of Margret Wittmer. Wittmer was the second person ever to settle on the island. She arrived in 1932 when she was pregnant, with her husband Heinz and her stepson Harry.4_____ Margret lived to the age of 95 and welcomed hundreds of tourists to her hotel, including presidents. Today her daughter runs the hotel.

What is daily life like on Floreana? It's quiet! 5_____ There is only a boat that comes from Santa Cruz island approximately every two weeks. There is just one school with two teachers, and there aren't any restaurants or bars. But if you are interested in the animals, birds and sea life then Floreana is the perfect destination for you!

2. Complete the spaces with the sentences.

A. When her son Rolf was born, he was the first person to be born in Galapagos.

B. It's a great place to stay because it has amazing views of the ocean.

C. There is not much transport to Floreana.

D. It was first called Charles Island, after King Charles II of England.

E. There are approximately a hundred people living on the island.

3. Answer the questions about the text.

1. How many hotels are there in Floreana Island?
2. Where do most islanders live?
3. When did Margret arrive to the island?
4. Who is the manager of Margret's hotel now?
5. How often does the boat come to Floreana?

Listening

Listen to two conversations about holidays. Then, write T or F.

1. Mia wanted to stay in a hotel. _____

2. Joe didn't take photos. _____

3. Mia didn't want to talk to other tourists. _____

4. Linda thinks Venice is expensive. _____

5. They didn't do many things there. _____

6. Linda wants to go on holiday with her friends again. _____

Now, answer the questions.

Mia.

1. Who is Joe? _____
2. Where did they go? _____
3. How does Mia describe her holidays? _____

Linda.

1. What did she see in Venice? _____
2. Did she go on a boat? _____
3. How does Linda describe her holiday? _____