

Third Partial Exam (Units 5-6)

Part 1. Reading and writing

1)- Reading comprehension.

William Shakespeare.

William Shakespeare was a poet and a playwright and is widely regarded as the greatest writer in the English language. He was born in Stratford-upon-Avon, in central England, in 1564 and he died in 1616. His surviving work consists of 38 plays, 154 sonnets and some other poems. He is best known for his plays, which have been translated into every major language and are performed more than those of any other playwright in the world.

When William Shakespeare was 18 years old he married Anne Hathaway, and they had three children. Shakespeare went to London to work as an actor and a writer. In 1599 the Globe Theatre was built in London and it was in this theatre, situated on the banks of the River Thames, that some of Shakespeare's plays were first performed. In 1613 the theatre was destroyed by a fire. However, a modern reconstruction of the theatre was built near the original site in 1997 so even today you can go to the Globe Theatre to see one of Shakespeare's plays.

Shakespeare's work is still very popular today. But why do we like these old plays? Perhaps it is because they all contain fantastic stories. His characters suffer bloody battles, deaths by poison, huge family fights, problems between brothers and sisters, problems between parents and children ... The plays are also full of parties, weddings and funerals. They are quite simply action-packed.

1. Who was William Shakespeare?
 - 2- When was William Shakespeare born?
 - 3- Where was Shakespeare born?
 - 4- What kind of writing did he like?
 - 5 How many plays did Shakespeare write?
 - 6 How many sonnets did Shakespeare write?
 - 7- What's the name of the 'Shakespeare theatre' in London?
 - 8- What themes are involved in his plays?
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2) Writing:

Read the information about the famous Singer Freddie Mercury.



Freddie Mercury: Singer, singer-songwriter composer, pianist, designer, and Musician.

Born: 5th september , 1946, Stone Town, Tanzania

Death: 24th november ,1991, Kensington, England. UK

EDUCATION: Ealing College of Art

Partners: Mary Austin (1970-1976); Jim Hutton (1985-1991)

Musical Groups: Queen (1970 - 1991), Ibex, The Hectics (1958 - 1962), Sour Milk Sea (1969 - 1970)

Awards: Grammys.

Now write about him . (80-100 words)

Part 2. Grammar and vocabulary

1)- Read the text and complete with the simple past tense of the verbs in brackets.

Last year my friend, Evan, and I _____ (take) a trip to France. I never _____ (travel) to another country before that trip. We _____ (study) French for two months before we _____ (leave). When the day of our flight finally _____ (arrive), we _____ (be) so nervous and excited! The flight _____ (be) fun because the flight attendants _____ (speak) French, and we _____ (practice) speaking with them. Finally we _____ (arrive) in Paris. It _____ (be) so beautiful! We _____ (ride) on the subway to get from the airport to our hotel. After that first day, we _____ (ride) the subway every day. I _____ (feel) so thrilled to finally be in another country. Evan _____ (fall) in love with the city, and wants to move there permanently. While we were there, we _____ (eat) croissants, _____ (go) to many museums, _____ (see) a lot of monuments, and _____ (meet) a lot of interesting people. We _____ (make) so many new friends, and some of them are going to come visit us in New York! My trip to Paris _____ (be) so wonderful, I feel like I _____ (catch) a lucky star. I can't wait to return.

2)- Provide the questions for these answers.

- 1- It was so dangerous.
- 2- I think it was really boring.
- 3- It's great.
- 4- no, I don't like it.
- 5- Yesterday it was a bit windy.

3)- was / were

1 Choose the correct words.

- 1 My Granny was / were born in 1951, in Warsaw.
- 2 Yesterday, I wasn't / weren't well. Today. I'm feeling better.
- 3 There was / were a scary horror film on TV last night.
- 4 Molly and Claire wasn't / weren't at school last week.
- 5 It was / were very cold in my city last winter.
- 6 There wasn't / weren't any children at the party.

4 Write questions. Use was or were.

- 1 you / at home / yesterday morning Were you at home yesterday morning?
- 2 it / sunny in Krakow last week
- 3 your friends / at Keira's party last Saturday
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- 4 we / in town / three hours ago
- 5 Cristiano Ronaldo / born in Portugal
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- 6 your mum / at the football match last Saturday
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5)- Make the sentences negative.

- 1- I heard a scary noise last night.
- 2- He drank orange juice for breakfast.
- 3- They were at the swimming pool.
- 4- We took a picnic basket to the park.
- 5- Mum ate lunch at Granny's house.

Good Luck!!!