

Reading comprehension

Read the passage carefully. Choose the most suitable answer and write its number in the brackets.

Last Sunday, I was at Bugis to celebrate my friend. Kelly's birthday when I lost my mobile phone. Despite that, I thought it was the luckiest day of my life.

That particular morning, I took a taxi to the taxi stand at Bugis to wait for my friends. After alighting from the taxi, I sat down on a bench at the side of a shop, and reached into my right jeans pocket for my phone to message my friends that I was already there.

My phone was missing! I checked my left jeans pocket, and subsequently my bag, could not find it. I felt a gripping sensation of panic, and started looking around. Did I drop it? I frantically checked my paper bag that contained my friend's birthday present, but it was not there as well.

Then it suddenly dawned on me. I must have dropped it in the taxi! I waited impatiently for my friends to come, so that I could use their phones to call my phone, hoping that someone would pick it up. May soon arrived, and after explaining the situation to her, I borrowed her phone and made a call to my phone.

I was prepared to hear a busy tone when I dialed, but to my greatest surprise, a man picked up the phone and said, "Hello?" I almost shouted into the phone that I was the owner, and asked him if he could please return the phone to me.

The man who hailed the taxi after I alighted had picked up my phone, and he offered to keep it for me until I could collect it from him. We arranged a meeting place the next day so I could pick up the phone.

I was so relieved after I put down the phone, and promised myself to be more careful with my valuables in future.

1. Why did the writer visit Bugis?

- (a) He went there for a walk.
- (b) He wanted to buy a present for his friend.
- (c) He wanted to have a talk with his classmate.
- (d) He was going to celebrate his friend's birthday with a group of friends.

2. When did he realise he had lost his phone?

- (a) He realized it after going home.
- (b) He realized it after his friends came.
- (c) He realized it after getting into the taxi.
- (d) He realized it after getting out of the taxi.

3. Where did he search when he realized his phone was missing?

- (a) He searched the taxi.
- (b) He searched his bag and his paper bag.
- (c) He searched his shirt pocket and his jeans pockets.
- (d) He searched his left jeans pocket, his bag, and his paper bag.

4. What did he do in an attempt to get back his phone?

- (a) He called the police.
- (b) He called his own phone.
- (c) He called the taxi company.
- (d) He searched the vicinity for his phone.

5. Why did the writer consider it his luckiest day when even though he had lost his phone?

- (a) His friends helped him find his phone.
- (b) He got to celebrate his friend's birthday.
- (c) He managed to get a replacement phone.
- (d) He managed to contact the person who picked up his phone and was going to get it back.