

1 READING

Read the text carefully and answer the statements below with “True” or “False”:

Adapting to change

In a small, peaceful village, there are three friends: Sarah, John, and Emily. Each of them has gone through significant life changes recently. Let's hear from them about things they used to do, things they are getting used to, and things they are used to now.

Sarah:

I used to work as a librarian in this village for many years. It was a quiet job, and I loved it. But last year, I moved to the city to take a new job as a marketing executive. At first, I found the city's hustle and bustle overwhelming. I wasn't used to the crowded streets, constant noise, and the fast-paced lifestyle. However, over the months, I'm getting used to it. I've learned to navigate the subway system, and now I am used to the noise. I even found a new love for city life.



John:



I used to be a schoolteacher in our village. I enjoyed working with the kids, and it was a peaceful job. But a few months ago, I decided to change my career and became a firefighter. The job is much more physically demanding and risky, which was a big change. I was not really used to the adrenaline rush and constant emergencies. Right now, I'm in the process of getting used to it. I've received training, and with each day, I'm becoming more comfortable with the challenges and life-saving actions required. I know it's worth it.

Emily:

I used to be a professional pianist, performing in grand concert halls. However, I suffered an injury that made me lose the ability to play. Now, I'm getting used to this new reality, focusing on composing music instead. It's a different path I never thought I'd take. I used to be on the stage, but now I'm behind the scenes, writing beautiful melodies. I've come to appreciate the tranquility of composing, and I'm used to this creative process, which brings a sense of fulfillment.



Now, get ready to identify the following statements with “True” or “False”:

Is it true or is it false?

1. Sarah used to be a librarian in the city =
2. John used to be a schoolteacher and became a firefighter =
3. John found firefighting less physically demanding than teaching =
4. Emily used to be a professional pianist =
5. Emily cannot play the piano anymore due to an injury =
6. Sarah moved from the city to the village for a new job =
7. Sarah quickly got used to the fast-paced city lifestyle =
8. John used to work as a firefighter =
9. Emily prefers being behind the scenes composing music =
10. Emily is getting used to playing the piano again =
11. Sarah was used to the constant noise of the city =
12. John had no experience in dealing with emergencies as a teacher =
13. Emily misses being on the stage as a pianist =
14. Sarah is now a marketing executive in the village =
15. John regrets his decision to become a firefighter =
16. Emily found composing music stressful =
17. Sarah's new job is less peaceful than her old one =
18. John is not yet fully comfortable with his new role as a firefighter =
19. Emily's new career brings her fulfillment =
20. John used to dislike working with kids as a schoolteacher =