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ENGLISH – A2

UNIT 3: READING TEST 1

A.- Read a text about how Sarah's life was in the past and how it is now. For questions 1 to 8, choose the correct answer.

How my life has changed

I used to work on cruise ships as a musician. I travelled a lot! I spent the month before the first lockdown in four continents! I used to get up really early, drive to the airport and fly to a port across the world and get on a ship just to get to work! Then I used to spend between three and fourteen days on the ship. The ships were great. The food was excellent, and the staff were brilliant. The ship stopped at fantastic places, and I often used to spend the afternoon at the beach drinking cocktails or sightseeing. But there were disadvantages too. I often didn't know anyone on the ship. But the passengers all knew me, and they used to talk to me every time I left my cabin. I didn't have any privacy. Of course, I had to chat to them politely even when I wasn't in the mood.

But now, everything has changed. The cruises aren't running now, and I don't know when they will run again, and I've been in my flat for a year. I never used to spend much time here, and I haven't spent a whole year in England for over twenty years! But I've enjoyed it. I bought a bike last year, and I've found some great beach cafes that I never used to know about. I also bought a campervan, and I drove around the coast. I always used to prefer beaches in the Caribbean and the Mediterranean to British beaches. The weather is much better for a start! But I found some beautiful places last year. I could park on the beach in some places and run straight into the sea! They were much less touristy and more peaceful than the places where the cruise ships go.

I'm spending a lot more time alone now. I didn't use to be alone much when I was working. But since the pandemic started, I have developed new relationships with people who I didn't use to know very well. I always used to prefer the company of entertainers and people who like to travel. I used to think that people with normal jobs were boring. But since last year, I've got to know some really interesting, strong, kind and caring people! So that's been really valuable.

1.- Sarah didn't use to have to _____

a.travel long distances to work. b.get up early. c.manage staff on the ship.

2.- Sarah used to ____ around the world.

a.perform in concert halls b.take her bike c.relax on beaches

3.- Sarah didn't use to like _____

a.the lack of privacy on beaches. b.her colleagues on the ship. c.talking politely to strangers.

4.- Sarah is spending ____ at home than before.

a.more time b.less time c.about the same amount of time

5.- Sarah went on bike rides and found some nice _____

a.cafes b.beaches c.parks

6.- Sarah disliked British beaches because ___ beaches in other countries.

a.there are more people than on b.the weather is worse than on c.they are not as beautiful as

7.- Sarah spent ____ time alone in the past compared to now.

a.less b.more c.a similar amount of

8.- Talking about relationships, Sarah ___ now than in the past.

a.has deeper relationships b.appreciates normal people more c.is kinder and more caring

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B.- Read the text. Choose True or False.

Scott had never tried scuba diving, but he wanted to. While reading the newspaper at his brother's house, he saw the following advertisement from a travel agency for a trip to Australia:

Have you ever tried scuba diving?
Well, this is your chance!
Join us on a ten-day trip to Australia and scuba dive in the Great Barrier Reef!
The Great Barrier Reef is one of the most beautiful places in the world.
You are going to see wonderful animals and colorful fish that swim close to you. You are going to see amazing plants that are not like anything you have seen before.
Bring your camera! This is the perfect place for pictures.

After he read this advertisement, Scott decided to try it. He called his friend Tim.

"Have you ever tried scuba diving?" Scott asked.

"No, I haven't," Tim replied. "Why?"

"I want to take a trip to Australia and go scuba diving," Scott told him.

"To the Great Barrier Reef?" Tim asked.

"Yes. Do you want to come?" Scott asked.

"Sure. I have never taken a trip that far before," Tim responded.

"OK. Let's plan it for the summer," Scott said.

Three months later, Scott and Tim were on a boat with several other people. The weather was nice. The water was clear blue, and they had a scuba diving instructor with them. They were very excited to try this wonderful activity.

1. Scott was good at scuba diving when he saw the advertisement.

   A) True B) False

2. Scott saw an advertisement in a newspaper about scuba diving.

   A) True B) False

3. Scott went to the Great Barrier Reef in Australia.

   A) True B) False

C.- Read the text. Choose the best answer to the question about the text.

1. What does the advertisement say is good about the trip?

   A) the great scuba instructors B) the clear blue water C) the colorful fish

2. Why does Scott call Tim?

   A) to ask him about fishing B) to ask him to go scuba diving C) to ask him to read the newspaper

3. Who was on the boat with Scott and Tim?

   A) the travel agent B) a scuba diving instructor C) Adam's brother

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D.- For each question, choose the correct answer.

Cookery books for young people

This week, we look at three books about cooking for young people.

My First Cookbook by Lenard Minnow

Lenard Minnow's last cookery book was a huge success across the world. And now, he has written a cookery book just for children. It has lots of lovely reading activities, so that children can get to know the names of more unusual foods. It explains in an easy-to-read way how to cook and makes it clear that cooking can be a hobby that young and old can really enjoy.

Cooking for Students by Cormac O'Dally

The idea for this book came when Cormac O'Dally's two sons went away to university. They never cooked and had no idea what to do in the kitchen, so Cormac wrote this book to help them. The photo on the cover of the book shows Cormac and his sons laughing and enjoying the food together. Students who use this book won't win prizes for great new food ideas. The meals are very simple, like cheese on toast, but they're easy to prepare and good for you, too.

Everybody Can Cook by Denise Macon

With its 'look-as-you-cook' photos, you can see the author doing everything that you need to do in this wonderful new book. And, as the title says, you'll soon be able to make tasty meals. Many of them come from all four corners of the world. The author received £4,000 when the book was chosen as Cookbook of the Year in a competition this year.

		My First Cookbook	Cooking for Students	Everybody Can Cook
1.-	Which book won a prize?	A	B	C
2.-	Which book has healthy recipes?	A	B	C
3.-	Which book shows that cooking can be fun?	A	B	C
4.-	Which book has dishes from different countries?	A	B	C
5.-	Which book teaches words to talk about food?	A	B	C
6.-	Which book is about food that the writer's family liked?	A	B	C
7.-	Which book has pictures of someone preparing the food?	A	B	C

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