

UNIT 3: READING TEST 2

A.- Read the text and decide if the sentences are TRUE or FALSE.

What was school like in the 1980s?

Tom H.:

I used to hide comic books under my desk and read them in class. I wore a school uniform and ate terrible school food. All my teachers were old ladies who had no sense of humor. They all used to say, "You shouldn't laugh. Happy people don't succeed at anything."

Nick L.:

I used to go to a private school 20 miles away from home because all the public schools in my town were too crowded. All the students were attractive but had terrible personalities. I only had one friend. His name was Billy. He used to collect old sneakers. He had about 100 pairs. I haven't spoken to him in years. Now, he might have 1,000 pairs.

Cathy C.:

I went to a music high school in the city. All the teachers were intelligent, and many of my classmates had a lot of musical talent. I had one friend who could play ten instruments and sing! But there were many problems: the school was too expensive, I had to take the subway, which was always too crowded, and I had too much homework. So I never had enough free time. If I have children one day, I'll send them to public school.

1. Tom H. used to read comic books under his desk during class.
A.- True B.- False
2. All Tom H.'s teachers were young and funny.
A.- True B.- False
3. Nick L. went to a private school because the public schools were overcrowded.
A.- True B.- False
4. Billy, Nick L.'s friend, collected action figures.
A.- True B.- False
5. Cathy C. went to a music high school in the city.
A.- True B.- False
6. Cathy C. had plenty of free time after school.
A.- True B.- False
7. Cathy C. is planning to send her children to private school in the future.
A.- True B.- False

8. Billy had around 100 pairs of sneakers when Nick L. knew him.
A.- True B.- False
9. Tom H. wore a casual uniform to school.
A.- True B.- False
10. Cathy C.'s friend could play ten instruments and sing.
A.- True B.- False

B.- Read the text again and choose the best answer to complete the sentence about the text.

1. Tom thought ____ was terrible.
A) the school food
B) his comic books
C) the homework
D) the subway
2. The students at Nick's school ____.
A) had no sense of humor
B) had too much homework
C) had terrible personalities
D) had a lot of musical talent
3. Nick's friend collected ____.
A) comic books
B) uniforms
C) sneakers
D) instruments
4. Cathy ____.
A) thinks her school was perfect
B) liked her teachers
C) has children
D) didn't have enough homework

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

Little girl saves mother

A little girl from Newton has become the most famous person in town. Frances Brown, who is starting school next year, called 999 when her mother, Lisa, fell down the stairs. The emergency services immediately sent an ambulance to her house.

'She's an amazing little girl!' said a doctor. 'She knew that she had to call 999 to speak to someone who could help. She gave her name and her address, and she described what the problem was. She said her mother had just got out of bed and had fallen down the stairs. She said that her mum was sleeping, but there was something wrong. She looked after her mum until help arrived.'

When the ambulance arrived at the Browns' house, they found out that Lisa, aged 30, is expecting her second child. The doctors kept Lisa in hospital for 24 hours to check that she was all right before allowing her to go home the next morning.

When Lisa found out what her daughter did she told friends and family. Then the local newspaper heard the story. Frances's father, Liam, aged 32 and a teacher at the local school, said: 'Frances's quick thinking saved her mother's life. Lisa is careful around the house, but accidents happen.'

Lisa is going to have a baby in two months, and she thinks this is why she fell down the stairs. 'I'm so big now that I can't see my feet!' she said. 'I can't wait to give Frances a baby brother.'

- 1 Frances
 - A is still at school.
 - B has just started school.
 - C isn't old enough to go to school.
- 2 On the telephone, Frances
 - A told the emergency services where she lived.
 - B told the emergency services that she needed an ambulance.
 - C told the emergency services that her mother was in bed.
- 3 Lisa
 - A didn't stay in hospital.
 - B stayed in hospital for one night.
 - C went to hospital but returned home that night.
- 4 Liam thinks
 - A Lisa might have died.
 - B Lisa should start thinking more quickly.
 - C Lisa should be more careful around the house.
- 5 Frances
 - A has two brothers.
 - B already has a brother.
 - C is going to have a brother soon.