PUPPY LOVE

"SHIRO!Shiro!"
Mr. and Mrs. Nakamura were worried. Their dog Shiro was missing. "Shiro!" they called again and again. Mr. and Mrs. Nakamura lived on a small island in Japan. They looked everywhere on the island, but they didn't find Shiro.

The next day Mr. Nakamura heard a noise at the front door. He opened the door, and there was Shiro. Shiro was very wet, and he was shivering.

A few days later Shiro disappeared again. He disappeared in the morning, and he came back late at night. When he came back, he was wet and shivering.

Shiro began to disappear often. He always disappeared in the morning and came back late at night. He was always wet when he came back.

Mr. Nakamura was curious. "Where does Shiro go?" he wondered. "Why is he wet when he comes back?"

One morning Mr. Nakamura followed Shiro. Shiro walked to the beach. He ran into the water and began to swim. Mr. Nakamura jumped into his boat and followed his dog. Shiro swam for about two miles. Then he was tired, so he climbed onto a rock and rested. A few minutes later he jumped back into the water and continued swimming.

Shiro swam for three hours. Then he arrived at an island. He walked onto the beach, shook the water off, and walked toward town. Mr. Nakamura followed him. Shiro walked to a house. A dog was waiting in front of the house. Shiro ran to the dog, and the two dogs began to play. The dog's name was Marilyn. Marilyn was Shiro's girlfriend.

Marilyn lived on Zamami, another Japanese island. Shiro and the Nakamuras used to live on Zamami. Then, in the summer of 1996, they moved to Aka, a smaller island. Shiro missed Marilyn very much and wanted to be with her. But Shiro wanted to be with the Nakamuras, too. So, Shiro lived with the Nakamuras on the island of Aka and swam to Zamami to visit Marilyn.

People were amazed when they heard about Shiro. The distance from Aka to Zamami is two and a half miles.[2] The ocean between the islands is very rough. "Nobody can swim from Aka to Zamami!" the people said.

Shiro became famous. Many people went to Zamami because they wanted to see Shiro. During one Japanese holiday, 3,000 people visited Zamami. They waited on the beach for Shiro. "Maybe Shiro will swim to Zamami today," they said. They all wanted to see Shiro, the dog who was in love.

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Questions

A. Choose the correct answer.

1. " Puppy love is about"

a) Two islands in Japan.
b) A Japanese holiday
c) A dog who visit his girlfriend

2. People were amazed when they heard about Shiro because

a) Dogs don't usually fall in love
b) Swimming from Aka to Zamani is very difficult
c) " Shiro" is an unusual name for a dog.

3. How many miles did Shiro swim from Aka to Zamani?

a) Two and a half miles
b) 4 miles
c) 1 mile

4. On the other island, who was waiting for Shiro in front of the house?

a) His girlfriend Marilyn
b) His friend Marlin
c) His friend Autumn

B. Write true or false.

1.- Shiro sometimes came back the next day
2.- Shiro disappeared. Mr. and Mrs. Nakamura looked everywhere for him, but they couldn't find him. Their dog was missing.
3.- People said "We can't swim from Aka to Zamami. But Shiro can! People were amazed when they heard about Shiro.

C. Find the best way to complete each sentence. Match the letter of your answer on the line.

1.- _Mr. and Mrs. Nakamura were worried	a. Because he swam in the ocean
2.- _ Shiro was always wet when he came back	b. Because their dog were missing
3.- _Mr. Nakamura followed Shiro	c. Because he was curious.

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