Grammar

1 Write questions for the underlined answers.

1 *How many children have they got* ___ ___ *?* They've got three children.

2 _____? He lives near the new city hospital.

3 _____? We went to her party last Saturday.

4 _____? I usually go on holiday twice a year.

5 _____? She goes out with friends on Friday nights.

6 _____? There are twenty-four students in my class.

2 Complete the sentences with the correct past simple form of the verbs in brackets.

1 He last *saw* *them* when he *was* in Mexico in 2013. (see / be)
2 We _____ to stay up all night but _____ asleep after a few hours. (decide / fall)
3 I _____ my degree last year and then_____ around Canada for six weeks. (finish / travel)
4 She _____ shopping on Thursday but she _____ much. (go / not get)
5 He _____ at her and then_____ her get into the taxi. (smile / help)
6 I was very happy when they _____ they _____ my food. (say / like)

Vocabulary

3 Match 1–8 with a)–h).

1 We always go	*b*	**a)** out with friends?
2 Did they spend	_____	**b)** ~~shopping on Saturday afternoons~~.
3 My sister and I didn't play	_____	**c)** time with his cousins
4 How often do you have	_____	**d)** time off last month.
5 He loves spending	_____	**e)** sports?
6 Are you good at playing	_____	**f)** a musical instrument when we were children.
7 I had some	_____	**g)** a barbecue?
8 When did we last go	_____	**h)** much money on holiday?

4 Join the sentences using AND - BUT - BECAUSE - SO

1. Anna bought a bigger house. She has many pets. _____
2. They need a car. They have to save money. _____
3. They are planning to get married. First they have to finish university. _____
4. He graduated from college. He moved to Italy. _____
5. He likes her. She has a boyfriend. _____
6. She had a terrible headache. She went to the doctor. _____
7. They travelled to Paris. He wanted to propose to her in the Eifel Tower. _____

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4 Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verbs in the box.

accept ask fall get ~~get~~ get on have meet propose

1 Where __*did*__ you __*get*__ married?

2 She _____ (not) a boyfriend when she was at high school but she had one at university.

3 They _____ on a course at university.

4 Tina always _____ very well with her husband's mother.

5 How many times _____ you _____ in love?

6 Janice and Paul _____ engaged yesterday.

7 He _____ to her on Valentine's Day!

8 When he _____ her to marry him, she _____.

Reading

READ THE TEXT AND ANSWER THE QUESTIONS BELOW:

Carla says that it was love at first sight between her and the former French President Nicolas. She said that what happened between Nicolas and her was not quick, it was instant. And the very first time in my life I ever felt passionately was the moment I saw him. It was a feeling so loving, so tender, so wild, so overwhelming and breath-taking, and all-involving, a feeling I did not know before."

Love at first sight is not easy to explain. Some people that is just merely attraction, because how can we fall profoundly in love after one quick glance? How can such a glance make us believe that we want to spend the rest of our life in the arms of a stranger we have just seen for the first time?

Arguments against the possibility of love at first sight are usually based on two main reasons. The first reason claims that as we don´t have sufficient knowledge about the person's characteristics in order to fall in love, our response is imaginary, wishful thinking and not a real emotion. The second reason refers to the fact that as we don´t have the time to exercise the activities typical of love, our emotional response can´t be of romantic love.

The first argument implies that romantic love consists not merely of attraction to external appearance, which is the basis of desire, but also of knowing the person's character, such as kindness, honesty, wisdom and a sense of humour. Such knowledge can´t be present at first sight, as it requires familiarity.

The fact that love at first sight may be based on unreliable information does not mean that it is not an instance of intense love. Research indicates that romantic love is often based on idealization and positive illusions, and this is also true concerning love that lasts many years. This is also the case concerning other emotions. For instance, jealousy is often based on incorrect beliefs about the partner's activities.

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True or false?

1. Love at first sight is mostly related to women, according to the author. _____
2. Love at first sight might be a product of wishful thinking. _____
3. The author believes that Carla Bruni's love for Nicolas was not instant _____
4. Love at first sight and attraction are two of the ingredients for romantic love. _____
5. Jealousy and love at first sight are two emotions based on incorrect beliefs. _____

Answer:

1. Adjectives to describe love at first sight _____ _____ _____
2. What's the difference between love at first sight and romantic love?

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3. What does the author mean when he says that "love at first sight may be based on unreliable information"?

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