

KET PRACTICE READING

Part 3 - Text with comprehension questions

Read the article about a country postman and answer the questions.

A country postman

I became a postman about twenty years ago. At first I worked in London but I did not like it very much. There is too much noise and traffic there! Then I saw a job for a postman here in the country. I was very lucky. I applied for the job and they gave it to me. I love living in the country. It's very different to life in a big city. Everyone has more time here. Life is slower. I'm interested in animals and nature. Bird watching is my favourite hobby. I've got lots of books about birds at home. I like to look for particular ones when I'm delivering the post. A postman's job is not always an easy one. You walk everywhere, which some people don't like. And then you have to deliver letters and parcels even when it's raining or snowing. I enjoy being outside and I'm used to bad weather. The job has lots of advantages too. I didn't know anyone here when I arrived. I was a bit lonely at first. Now I know everyone in the village. They all say 'good morning' to me when they see me coming up the road.

1) When did the man start work as a postman?

- A When he was 20 years old.
- B About twenty years ago.
- C In the country.

2) What did he not like about working in London?

- A London is busy and crowded.
- B There are too many people.
- C Noise and traffic.

3) Why does he think he was lucky?

- A Because he got a job in the country.
- B Because he likes bird watching.
- C Because he works in London.

4) What does he have plenty of?

- A Letters to deliver.
- B Books about birds.
- C Friends in the village.

5) Why can this job be difficult?

- A Letters are heavy to carry.
- B You have to walk even in bad weather.
- C There is too much traffic to walk.

6) What does he enjoy?

- A Being outside.
- B Pets and nature.
- C His books.

7) How did he feel when he arrived in the village?

- A excited
- B happy
- C lonely

