Reading: Harry and Meghan

Reporters are saying the Duke and Duchess of Sussex have abandoned social media. The Duke (formerly Prince Harry) and his wife Meghan have reportedly said goodbye to their social media accounts. They want to focus on their new life together in the USA. The "Sunday Times" newspaper in the UK wrote that the couple have no plans to use social media for their non-profit organisation or for their personal lives. The newspaper said the couple have become sad and tired of all the "hate" they see online. They both decided to step down as active members of the British royal family last year. Since then, many people have attacked and criticised them on their Instagram account.

Harry and Meghans' main social media account was @sussexroyal on Instagram. They have 10.4 million followers on this account but have not posted any new content since March 2020. A source told the "Sunday Times" that the couple were "very unlikely" to use social media again. Meghan has spoken out about the harm social media can do. She was the subject of many attacks after she married into Britain's royal family. She said she experienced "almost unsurvivable" online abuse and cyberbullying. She added that she was the most trolled person in the world in 2019. This news comes as social media companies are in the spotlight for suspending the accounts of US President Donald Trump.

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A. Match the words on the left with their meaning on the right.

Paragraph 1

1.abandoned	a. This is what someone said (but might not be true).
2.formerly	b. Totally gave up a course of action, a practice, or a way of thinking.
3.reportedly	c. The center of interest or activity.
4.focus	d. Two people who are married, engaged or together.
5.couple	e. In the past; in earlier times.
6.royal	f. Pointed out the bad things about someone or something.
7.criticised	g. Having the status of a king or queen (or emperor or empress; sultan or sultana, etc.) or a member of their family.

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Paragraph 2

8. follower	h. Where information comes from.
9. source	i. Followed someone on social media and made non-stop negative comments about them.
10.spoken out	j. Someone who joins another person's social media account.
11.abuse	k. Talk honestly about your feelings.
12.trolled	l. The focus or center of attention.
13.spotlight	m. Terrible and harmful language aimed at someone.
14.suspending	n. Stopping something or someone from continuing or being in force or effect for a (short) length of time.

B. Multiple choice

1) What was the Duke of Sussex formerly known as?
a) Prince William
b) Prince Harry
c) King Harry
d) King William

2) What do the couple want to focus on?
a) their business
b) charities
c) love
d) their new life

3) What is the name of the newspaper mentioned in this article?
a) the UK Times
b) the Times
c) the Sunday Times
d) the Tuesday Times

4) What are the couple sad at seeing online?
a) hate
b) poverty
c) coronavirus
d) corruption

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5) How many followers do the couple have on Instagram?
a) 10.4 million
b) 104 million
c) 14 million
d) 140 million

6) When was the last time the couple posted content on social media?
a) April 2020
b) May 2020
c) March 2020
d) October 2020

7) What did Meghan experience that was "almost unsurvivable"?
a) online abuse
b) a car accident
c) an illness
d) a computer crash

8) Whose accounts did social media companies suspend?
a) big companies
b) the royal family
c) a U.S. president
d) Queen Elizabeth

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