

# Wonderland

## LANGUAGE SCHOOL

### MAKE UP - READING COMPREHENSION

#### 1. Read the following article

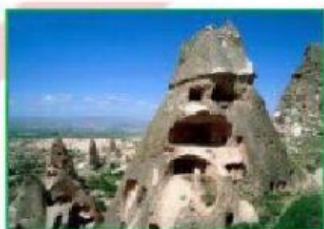
##### WEIRD HOMES

We all know that people lived in caves long long ago. But did you know that nowadays thousands of people in Southern Spain live in cave homes? In central Turkey, you can see whole villages of cave houses, some of which are nearly 2,000 years old. And millions of people live in cave homes near the Yang-Tze River in China.



Living in these homes is more comfortable than you might think. They are naturally cool in summer and warm in winter. The floors are usually covered in tiles or rugs, the walls are painted and there are windows and doors. Many cave homes have telephones, and some even have Internet connections and cable television.

Perhaps the most luxurious modern cave houses in the world can be found in the village of Troo, situated in the Loire valley of France. People have always used the caves in this area to store wine and grow mushrooms. In recent years they have fitted all the caves with running water and electricity. There's even a fancy restaurant that serves 5-course meals. Today many rich people from Paris use the caves as second homes since they are a cool relaxing change from the fast rhythm of the city.



If you travel to some of these places, you can even find some rather expensive hotels that are in caves. In a village in Cappadocia, Turkey, for example, you can stay in an 11-room cave house. All the rooms come with jacuzzi, walk-in wardrobes and 55-screen HD smart TVs with full applications. A double room costs around 800 dollars a night!

**A) Now say if the sentences are Right (R), Wrong (W) or Doesn't Say (DS)**

1. Lots of people in different countries live in cave houses. \_\_\_\_\_
2. The walls of all the caves are painted in white. \_\_\_\_\_
3. Cave homes are more comfortable now than in the past. \_\_\_\_\_
4. Nowadays there is telephone and Internet service in every cave. \_\_\_\_\_

**2. Read this article about a famous chef**

**I LOVE MY JOB!**

James Shannon is a chef in a London restaurant. This is what he says about his job:

"I work at **Suzie's**, which is one of the most popular restaurants in central London. The best part of working there is being part of a fantastic team of friendly and talented people.

I started by washing dishes when I was only 16. I wasn't interested in food and I never cooked at home, but I worked hard, and soon became a waiter. Simon, who was head chef at the time, then began to show me how to cook and I loved it so much I went to college to learn more.

When Simon left **Suzie's**, I became head chef. At the time all the food was British. The quality was excellent, but I wanted to do something different, so I decided to have an international menu.

Now we serve food from all over the world. There are so many fantastic markets and food shops in London that I can usually find any ingredient I need.

I use a lot of natural ingredients such as brown rice, organic flour, and pasta. Some people think that healthy food is boring, but they're wrong. Well-prepared natural food has so much more flavour than fast food. Our food is healthy and our customers love it. We use excellent meat and the highest quality vegetables.

**Suzie's** is open Monday to Friday from **5 p.m. to 11 p.m.**, and from **12 a.m. to 11 p.m.** at weekends. On Fridays and Saturdays we play live music from around the world. There's a children's menu on Sundays and that's when we serve traditional British food.



**Now choose the correct answer: a), b) or c)**

**5. James started to learn how to cook ...**

- a- at college.
- b- at the restaurant.
- c- at home.

**6. When James became head chef, he changed the ...**

- a- restaurant's name.
- b- quality of the food
- c- kind of food offered in the restaurant



**7. James ..... to find the ingredients he needs.**

- a- has to travel to other countries.
- b- goes to different places in Britain.
- c- doesn't have to leave London.

**8. The restaurant opens early ...**

- a- once a week.
- b- on Saturdays and Sundays .
- c- every day .