

READING

Paragraph 1

The winner of the World's Best Teacher Prize was Nancie Atwell, from the USA. There were 10 fantastic teachers in the final part of the competition. But people thought Nancie was the best teacher and she won one million dollars. The World's Best Teacher Prize is not only about the money. It wants to show young people that teaching is a very important job.

Paragraph 2

Nancie did not want to be a teacher at first. She studied English at university and didn't know what job she wanted to do. She started to work at a school in New York. She was so surprised – she loved teaching! She especially liked teaching 13- and 14-year-olds. That was nearly 40 years ago, and she is still a teacher.

Paragraph 3

Nancie enjoyed discussing books with her students, but she soon understood that the teenagers didn't like the same books as she did. So the students chose the books they wanted to read and chose to write about things they were interested in. The other teachers weren't very keen on this idea, but Nancie continued teaching in this way.

Paragraph 4

What happened was very interesting. The students read some great books, started working harder and they were more enthusiastic about their lessons. Nancie moved from New York to Maine, and started her own school. She uses her special way of teaching there. All classrooms have libraries and there are not many students in each class.

Paragraph 5

Students at the school read about 40 books a year. This is many more than is usual for young people in the USA. Also, 97 per cent of the students go on to university or college. It's not surprising that Nancie won the prize. So what is she going to do with the prize? Is she going on holiday? No! She's going to spend it on a new roof for the school and more books.

1-Read the text above and decide whether the sentences are true(T) or false(F).

- A The most important thing about the prize is the money.
- B Nancie wanted to be a teacher when she was a child.
- C Nancie enjoyed teaching young teenagers the most.
- D The students weren't interested in the same books as Nancie.
- E In Nancie's new school the pupils decide which books to read.
- F There are shelves of books in every classroom of Nancie's school.
- G Many American teenagers don't read any books.
- H Nancie isn't going to buy something for herself with the money.

VOCABULARY

1 Choose the correct options to complete the sentences.

- 1 In winter, I always wear a hat so I don't get *earache / stomach ache*.
- 2 That sounds like a bad *temperature / cough*. Why don't you have some water?
- 3 You should see a dentist if your *headache / toothache* is that bad.
- 4 Coffee isn't good for you if you are *stressed / burned*. You should drink water and phone your mum.
- 5 Mandy fell off her bike yesterday and *broke / burned* her leg.
- 6 Quick! Can someone get a tissue? Sam has got a *nosebleed / cold* again.
- 7 When I have a bad *headache / cough*, I don't like any noise around me.
- 8 Jake was digging the garden yesterday and now he has *toothache / backache*.
- 9 If you have *the flu / stomach ache*, you feel very tired and should stay in bed.
- 10 My brother *cut / burned* his finger badly on a sharp knife and went to hospital.

2 Complete the sentences with the words in the box.

cheap dirty heavy modern narrow noisy quiet uncomfortable

- 1 I can't sleep in my old bed. It's very _____.
- 2 Mexico City is very _____. There are lots of people, cars and music!
- 3 Tom's bedroom is very small and _____. It's 2.5 metres by 1.5 metres!
- 4 This cooker was _____, but it's useless! It doesn't cook my food!
- 5 Leave the dog in the garden please! He's very wet and _____.
- 6 What's in your suitcase – lots of books? It's so _____.
- 7 My parents live in a very _____ apartment in Hong Kong. The walls are all windows!
- 8 I do my homework in the library. It's very _____ there.

GRAMMAR

1-Choose the correct answer. Write a, b or c in the box

1. I'd buy a new computer if _____ you.
a I were b I am c I'd be
2. If I _____ do Pilates every week, I would have backache.
a wouldn't b didn't c don't
3. If you could live in any country in the world, where _____ live?
a would you b will you c you would
4. I go to work by bus because it _____ the car.
a is the least expensive than b isn't as expensive as c is less expensive as
5. If I have time in the afternoon, _____ go for a walk on the beach.
a I'll b I'd c I've

2-Put the verbs in brackets into their correct tense, please.

Dear Julie !

I (ARRIVE) in Paris a week ago, but there was a problem with my luggage. Unfortunately, it was sent to Lisbon instead of Paris. Yesterday, someone (CALL) me from the airport to go and there and pick them up. That's why I (NOT BE) at home when you (PHONE).

The family who I (STAY) with at the moment are very nice. I share a room with the daughter of their family, who is my age. Every morning her mother (WAKE) us up with a cup of tea. Frank, Jane's father, is also a nice guy.

Tomorrow will be my first day at language school and I am really looking forward to it. They told me to be there at 9 o'clock. I (TAKE) a placement test in the morning . I think they (ANNOUNCE) the results by the end of the day. As soon as I learn how I did, I will give you a call.

Well that's all for now. Please write soon. I would really like to know what (DO) on a home.

Love,

Claire

LISTENING



For each question, choose the correct answer.
You will hear Sonia talking to Dan about shopping.
What did Sonia buy in each shop?

Example

0 chemist's D

Shops

1 clothes shop

2 bookshop

3 supermarket

4 sports shop

5 market

Things

A bag

B cake

C flowers

D shampoo

E socks

F towel

G trainers

H trousers

WRITING

Write a profile of a very good friend. Don't forget to include information about his personality, hobbies, free time activities and anything you consider important about your friend.

(80 words)