

UNIT 2C – READING AND VOCABULARY

Vocabulary

4 Complete the descriptions with the words in the box.

abandoned bankrupt declined demolished
neglected outdated restored shrank
took over turned into

- 1 Part of Kelenföld Power Station near Budapest was shut down in 2005 because its machines had become _____. However, because of its special architecture, the building is protected by law and cannot be _____ or altered.
- 2 Family School Fureai was a school in Yubari, Japan. Yubari was once a big coal-mining town, but then the industry _____ and families started leaving to look for work elsewhere. The population _____ dramatically and in 2007 the city went _____ and the school was left _____.
- 3 In 1914, the beautiful gardens of Heligan house became _____ after the gardeners who looked after them went to fight in World War One and never returned. Weeds completely _____. In the 1970s, the house was eventually _____ flats. However, in 1990, the story of the gardens was uncovered and over the next 20 years, the grounds were _____ to their former glory. Since their restoration, they've become a major tourist attraction.

READING: Read the articles on page 18 in exercise 2 in Roadmap B2+

2 Read a review of a book on abandoned buildings. Decide which statements are true.

- 1 The author gives a positive review of a book.
- 2 The author explains why the hotel was abandoned.
- 3 The hotel wasn't in as bad a condition as might have been expected.
- 4 The author found out someone was living in the hotel.
- 5 The author sees opportunities in the buildings photographed in the book.