Reading Test

I. Choose the correct phrase from the box to complete the dialogues below.

Do you know what you should do	Very intelligent
Oh dear	What's the problem
I'm looking for the Art teacher	Great! Thanks, Mum
This company is very successful	That pizza looks nice
Medium	Is there any cake left

1 A: How can I help you?
B: .....

2 A: What kind of a person was she?
B: .....

3 A: ..... ?
B: What?

4 A: ..... ?
B: I cut my finger while I was slicing vegetables.

5 A: What size is she?
B: .....

6 A: ..... ?
B: Sorry. There's a packet of biscuits, though.

7 A: .....
B: Try some.

8 A: You don't have to water the plants. I'll do it later.
B: ..... !

9 A: I crashed my car this morning.
B: ..... !

10 A: .....
B: That's true.

II. 1.Read the text. Choose the correct answers (A, B or C).

Climb every mountain

Stephen Venables' love of mountains began at nine years old on a skiing trip to the Alps. 'I was thrilled,' he remembers. 'It was actually far more impressive and exciting than seeing the Himalayas for the first time, because when you're nine it's all new and you don't know what to expect.'

From that moment, Stephen knew that he wanted to climb mountains, but he didn't realise then that one day he would be the first British man to climb Everest without oxygen. However, his record-breaking expedition in 1988 was not an easy one. [1] ☐ After years of climbing, he was prepared for this and he knew that the best thing he could do was wait for the weather to change.

'At first I tried sitting on a rock because rock is warmer than snow, but it wasn't completely flat. I really wanted to lie down so I decided to cut a ledge in the snow. I did sleep a bit,' he says. 'They always say you should stay awake but I was totally exhausted.' Fortunately, the storm passed, and Stephen managed to climb back down to his camp and enter the record books.

The Everest expedition wasn't Stephen's only difficult climb. [2] ☐ 'It was very unlucky that it happened, but I was lucky that there were five of us.' The group included Chris Bonnington and Stephen's good friend Harish Kapadia. It took them twelve hours to make camp in a safe place. Then two of the team went for help.

'I think that was one of the most wonderful moments of my life – finally being in the tent and realising that I could just lie back in my sleeping bag.' [3] ☐ By that time, there was almost no food left. 'On the last day we had a boiled sweet and we used the last tea bag so many times that it wasn't actually changing the colour of the water.' But luckily, the team managed to keep going until help arrived.

1.What happened to Stephen Venables when he was nine years old?

A He was able to compare two different mountain ranges.

B He realised where he would like to live in the future.

C He decided what he wanted to do in his life.

2. What did Stephen Venables do when he was caught in a snowstorm?

A He decided to sleep all day until the weather changed.

B He didn't follow important advice.

C He climbed down the mountain.

3. What is the writer's purpose in this article?

A To describe the best way to climb a mountain.

B To tell the story of a mountain climber.

C To explain why mountain climbing is dangerous.

ledge – выступ; purpose – цель

II. 2.Match sentences A-E with gaps 1-3. There are three extra sentences (put 0).

A ☐ But Stephen didn't know then that the rescue would take four days.

B ☐ While he was climbing Everest, he met the climber Chris Bonnington for the first time.

C ☐ In 1992, while climbing another Himalayan mountain, he fell 100 m, breaking both his legs.

D ☐ It was the second time that he needed medical attention because of his injuries.

E ☐ He was coming down from the top of the mountain when he was caught in a snowstorm.

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II. 2.Read the text again. Choose true (T), false (F) or not known (NK).

1. Stephen's love of mountains began on a skiing trip to the Alps.	T	F	NK
2. Stephen Venables was the first person in the world to climb Everest without using oxygen.	T	F	NK
3. While waiting during the storm, Stephen managed to sleep for a little while in the snow.	T	F	NK
4. Stephen's good friend, Harish Kapadia, was with him during his Everest expedition.	T	F	NK
5. There were five people involved in the second difficult climb described in the text.	T	F	NK
6. The climbers had almost no food left before they received help.	T	F	NK

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