



UP English Center

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1. Read the text and write True (T) or False (F).

The Man Who Never Checked Out

Can a hotel become your home for life?

Many people say that the longest hotel stay in the world lasted **67 years**. A man named Jean Le Bon lived in a hotel in Paris from 1957 to 2024.

Jean Le Bon travelled for work. At first, he checked into the hotel for a short stay. However, he liked the hotel very much and decided to stay longer. In the end, he never left and lived there until he died at the age of 91.



The hotel, called the Grand Hotel in Paris, became his home. Jean did everything there. He slept in his room, ate his meals, and spent his daily life in the hotel. He liked services such as cleaning and room service, which made his life easy and comfortable.

During his long stay, Jean paid a lot of money. People think that he spent more than **\$2.5 million** on the hotel. This is a very large amount, but he chose this way of living instead of living in a normal house.

However, some people say that this story may not be completely true. They think it could be a story that is not real. Even so, many people still share it because it is very interesting and different.

Jean Le Bon's story is not the only one. For example, Coco Chanel lived for more than 30 years in a hotel in Paris. Another man, Mickey Barreto, stayed in a hotel in New York for several years.

These stories show that for some people, a hotel can be more than just a place to stay—it can be a home.

1. He did everything in the hotel, including eating and sleeping. _____
2. Jean Le Bon stayed in the hotel for about 70 years. _____
3. The hotel services made his life easier. _____
4. He left the hotel before he died. _____
5. At first, he planned to stay in the hotel for a long time. _____
6. He decided to stay because he did not like the hotel. _____

2. Read the direct questions and change them into indirect questions using POLITE expressions:

1. Where is the station?

Could you tell me _____ ?

2. Are you coming to the party?

Could you let me know _____ ?

3. How does it work?

Could you tell me _____ ?

4. Has Lucy been to Mexico?

Do you know _____?

5. Does your brother live in Argentina?

Can you tell me _____?

6. How long does it take to get there?

Would you mind telling me _____?

3. For each question, choose the correct answer.

A Favourite Children's Book

Today most people (19) Lewis Carroll as the author of two books: Alice's Adventures in Wonderland and Through the Looking Glass. In the second book, Alice falls asleep one evening. In her dream, she goes (20) a mirror to the world on the other side. She (21) out that the countryside there is a giant board in a game of chess, and she must move across it to become a queen. She (22) people and animals from the first book and some new ones. A few are frightening, but others are (23) to her. The story ends when Alice becomes a queen and finally (24) back home.

19	A	return	B	repeat	C	remember
20	A	through	B	along	C	away
21	A	looks	B	finds	C	learns
22	A	knows	B	meets	C	speaks
23	A	kind	B	careful	C	real
24	A	looks up	B	gets up	C	wakes up

4. Write about a city you visited but did not like.

In your writing, you should:

- say where the city is and when you went there
- describe what you did there
- explain why you did not enjoy the city

Write 250 words or more.

