

READING COMPREHENSION

Read about Freya's adventure and answer the questions.

My Helicopter Adventure

Last Sunday, I went in a helicopter for the first time. I went with my mother and the pilot. My mother went in a helicopter with her father once when she was a child and she really liked it.

The helicopter ride was a birthday present for me and I was very excited. We left the house to go for the helicopter ride. It was a sunny day, but there were a few clouds. My mother was worried about the clouds. The helicopter pilot said the weather was OK, so I didn't worry.

Now we are flying high in the sky and I am looking out of the window at the land below. It is beautiful up in the sky. The sound of the helicopter is very loud, but I like it.

After about half an hour, it becomes very cloudy. The clouds become very dark. Then I hear the sound of thunder and I feel very frightened. We see lightning twice. We decide to go back down to land. The storm gets louder and louder and the rain makes it difficult to see. My mum isn't happy.

The pilot is very good. He gets us down to the ground safely. We run through the rain into a building and drink some hot chocolate. The storm lasts for a while, but then the sun comes out. The pilot takes us back up into the sky and we have a wonderful helicopter ride. I am a very happy birthday girl!

1. Who does Freya go in the helicopter with?

2. Was Freya's mother happy about the clouds?

3. Why do they decide to go back down?

4. Does Freya feel frightened during the storm?

5. What do they drink in the building?

6. Is Freya happy at the end of the story?

Answer with TRUE or FALSE.

1. The helicopter ride is a birthday present. _____
2. The weather is rainy at the beginning of the ride. _____
3. Freya is looking out of the window during the flight. _____
4. The helicopter is very quiet. _____
5. Freya and her mother see lightning three times. _____

Use of English

A) Read the paragraph and complete the blanks with the verbs in the correct form.

My best friend Leo is a ski instructor at a mountain ski club. Every winter, he (1) _____ (work) at the resort and he (2) _____ (teach) children how to ski safely. He usually (3) _____ (wake up) very early because he starts work at 7:00 a.m. Every morning, he (4) _____ (check) the weather before going outside. If there is a snowstorm, the instructors (5) _____ (be) very careful. Leo also (6) _____ (love) snowboarding in his free time.

Last winter, I (7) _____ (visit) Leo at the ski resort. One afternoon, we (8) _____ (hear) a very loud noise near the mountains. An avalanche (9) _____ (happen) close to one of the ski tracks. Luckily, nobody (10) _____ (be) hurt. The rescue team (11) _____ (arrive) very quickly and everyone stayed calm. Leo and the other instructors (12) _____ (help) the visitors return safely to the hotel.

Now, I (13) _____ (stay) at the ski resort with Leo for a few days. At the moment, he (14) _____ (teach) a group of children and I (15) _____ (drink) hot chocolate in the café near the snow.

B) Leo and Jack are talking. Complete the missing questions

Jake: Hey Leo! (1) **What** _____ ?

Leo: Hi Jake! I'm teaching a group of children how to ski **right now**.

Jake: (2) **Where** _____ ?

Leo: I work at a mountain ski resort in the mountains.

Jake: (10) **How often** _____ ?

Leo: I usually work at the ski resort every winter.

Jake: (4) _____ ?

Leo: Yes, do. I love snowboarding in my free time!

Jake: (9) _____ ?

Leo: Yes, it was. The weather was very cold and windy yesterday.

Jake: **What** _____ ?

Leo: Last week, the weather was snowy. It was very fun!

C) Complete the sentences. Use the words below. There are three extra words.

avalanche dictionary flood ~~foggy~~ freckles geography glasses kind pinboard shy

Yesterday was really foggy and I couldn't see anything on the road.

1 Owen has _____ on his face in the summer but not for the rest of the year.

2 I don't know that word. Can you pass me the _____.

3 Paulo is _____. He doesn't say much around other people.

4 It rained for days and now there's a _____ in the park.

5 Zak chose _____ because he loves learning about other countries.

6 I can't read this. Where are my _____?

D) Write sentences. Use the present simple, present continuous or past simple.

we / meet / at a party / last year

We met at a party last year.

1 Lenny / do / his homework / right now

2 it / be / a sunny / day / yesterday

3 we / watch / a play / at the moment

4 she / wave / at me / in the afternoons

5 how / Vic / feel / about his new house / now?

6 they / lose / their tennis game / last Tuesday

Listening comprehension

A) Listen to Cameron talking about her neighbour, Maria. Complete the sentences with one or two words.

Maria usually plays music in the evenings.

1 Maria is friendly, sporty and _____.

2 She likes playing _____.

3 Her hair is medium length, _____ and fair.

4 Maria is from _____.

B) Read the questions and choose the correct answer.

1 *When does Maria play music?*

A some evenings

B most evenings

2 *Why is it easy for Cameron to listen to Maria's music?*

A Maria's window is always open.

B Maria's music is often loud.

3 *What sport do Cameron and Maria both play?*

A tennis

B football

4 *How does Maria feel about the UK?*

A She likes living there.

B She thinks it's dangerous.

5 *Who is drawing a picture of a dog?*

A Maria

B Cameron