



INTERACTIVE WORKSHEET

READING COMPREHENSION

GRADE : 5th High School

AREA : ENGLISH

C. Read the text and write T for True, F for False or NM for Not Mentioned.



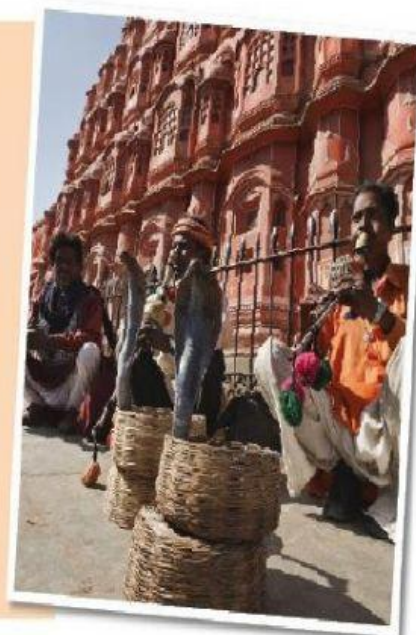
I was a teenager when I went to India for the first time. I spent three weeks there with my family and it was definitely one of the best experiences of my life.

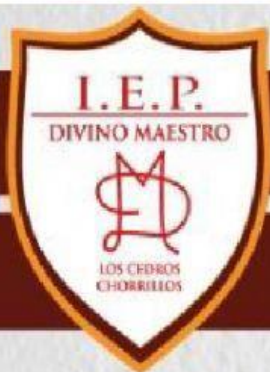
One day while we were going to the Taj Mahal, we decided to stop at a marketplace. I was walking through the market, looking around when, suddenly, I saw something amazing. A man was lying on a bed of nails, but he didn't seem to feel any pain at all. I just stood there looking at him, expecting to see blood. But I didn't see anything. As I continued walking, I saw a man playing the flute and, to my surprise, there was a snake coming out of a basket. The snake was moving to the music, almost like it was dancing! When the music stopped, the snake stopped too and went back into its basket. "How do they do these things?" I thought.

It wasn't until some years later that I got an answer to that question as I was reading an article about India. According to the text, anyone can sit on a bed of nails and not feel much pain. However, the nails should be close together. As for the snakes, well they don't hear anything. The snake charmers play music and move from side to side and the snake moves in the same way.

So, that's how they do it. Was I disappointed? Well, a little. But I still think India is an exciting place to go on vacation.

- ? 1. The writer didn't go to India alone. ☐
- ? 2. He went to the Taj Mahal before going to the marketplace. ☐
- ? 3. The man on the bed of nails didn't feel much pain. ☐
- ? 4. The charmers' snakes are very dangerous. ☐
- ? 5. Snakes dance when they hear music. ☐
- ? 6. The writer was very upset when he learned the truth. ☐
- ? 7. The writer wants to go and live in India. ☐





GRAMMAR

Past Simple vs Past Progressive

READING : READ AND MATCH THE SENTENCES.

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| 1. I don't like lemons. ☐ | a. They're healthy for you. |
| 2. I don't need medicine. ☐ | b. It's very bitter. |
| 3. This coffee needs more sugar. ☐ | c. It smells bad. |
| 4. This fish is really tasty. ☐ | d. They're sour. |
| 5. Eat lots of vegetables. ☐ | e. I'm not sick. |
| 6. I don't want to eat that. ☐ | f. It's very fresh. |



GRAMMAR :

READ AND CHOOSE THE CORRECT ANSWER TO COMPLETE THE TEXT WITH THE PAST SIMPLE OR THE PAST PROGRESSIVE.

As I (1) _____ (walk) home from a friend's house last month, I (2) _____ (smell) something amazing. I (3) _____ (look) around. The smell (4) _____ (come) from a Thai restaurant. The next day, while I (5) _____ (shop) for some books, I (6) _____ (find) a book with Thai recipes. I (7) _____ (not look) for a cookbook, but as soon as I (8) _____ (open) it, I (9) _____ (decide) to buy it. It (10) _____ (have) lots of interesting recipes. I (11) _____ (look) through the book on the bus home when I (12) _____ (see) a recipe for spicy seafood with noodles. I (13) _____ (not have) any of the ingredients, so I (14) _____ (get) off the bus and (15) _____ (go) to the supermarket. But I (16) _____ (not can) find noodles. In the end, I (17) _____ (call) a Thai restaurant and (18) _____ (order) some spicy seafood with noodles, and it (19) _____ (be) delicious!



