

## I. READING COMPREHENSION

### TASK 1

Read this story and do the exercises that follow.

Surprise!

Last week Simon Fine was away on business. While he was away, his wife, Judith organised a surprise party for his fortieth birthday. She invited all Simon's family and friends. They arrived at six o'clock and they waited for Simon.

When Simon arrived home, he walked upstairs to the flat. Then he stopped because there were voices in the flat. But who was it? He listened. It wasn't Judith because she was on holiday in Scotland. Were there burglars in the flat?

Simon rushed downstairs and he phoned the police. Five minutes later two police officers arrived in a police car. They walked upstairs. Simon opened the door and they rushed into the flat. Then all his family and friends shouted: Happy Birthday!

'It was very embarrassing, but the police officers laughed about it,' said Simon.

'I organised the party while Simon was away. I wasn't really on holiday. It was certainly a big surprise when he arrived with two police officers,' said Judith.

Choose the correct answer:

1. Judith invited Simon's friends because
  - A she wanted to celebrate her birthday.
  - B she thought she would surprise his family.
  - C Simon didn't like her to be alone.
  - D she wanted to give her husband a big surprise.
2. The policemen came to the house because
  - A they heard voices upstairs.
  - B they were Simon's relatives.
  - C Simon called them up.
  - D they saw Simon walking upstairs.
3. When Simon arrived home and heard voices he thought that
  - A he might find some criminals in the flat.
  - B his wife hadn't gone to Scotland.
  - C he could celebrate his birthday with some policemen.
  - D Judith was spending her holiday in the house.

Which words in the story mean the opposite of the following words?

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| 1. sent away: .....    | 3. earlier:.....   |
| 2. walked slowly:..... | 4. whispered:..... |

## II. GRAMMAR AND VOCABULARY

Write *one* word in each gap. More than one word will not be accepted.

1. .... drew a picture on the wall. Can you guess who?
2. He hardly ..... gets up early.
3. I can never understand ..... he says. He has a funny accent.
4. What ..... of holiday does Ben want next time?
5. The Chicago flight always .....London at 9 a.m. every day of the week.
6. If you are on a diet, you ..... eat any chips.
7. He isn't good ..... Mathematics.
8. Is she French? I don't think .....
9. Can you get me a plaster? I've cut .....
10. You ..... remember the words if you learn them.
11. Whose is the soup? It's .....
12. He ..... be in love with her because he writes her long letters every day.
13. ....the doorbell rang I was washing my hair.
14. There are only a ..... good restaurants in the town.
15. He was ..... followed all the way home, and he didn't even notice it.

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## III. WRITING

Answer the following questions in one sentence:

1. What does your best friend look like?
2. What is the weather like now?
3. What were you doing yesterday afternoon?
4. How do you prepare for a journey abroad?
5. Why do you think it is important to learn foreign languages?

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