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B1 Reading Exam Examples

Examples of interpreting signs.

- Look at the text in each question.
- What does it say?
- Mark the letter next to the correct explanation.

DO NOT LEAVE BAGGAGE UNATTENDED

A. You shouldn't stay with your luggage.
B. Do not forget your personal items.
C. You must remain with your baggage.

Email
To: John Clark
From: The Toronto School of English

Hello Mr. Clark
We are happy to confirm your place in our next intensive course that starts on May 3rd. The only problem is that the morning class that you asked for is full. Would it be a problem for you to study in the afternoon? Please confirm as soon as possible.

A. The language course is full and Mr. Clark won't be able to start on May 3rd.
B. Mr. Clark wanted to study in the afternoon.
C. The language school is offering him a course after 12pm.

Notice

Due to the unseasonal weather, this afternoon's outdoor concert will be moved indoors. The concert will be held at Festival Place at 18.30. Tickets are still available online.

The concert will…

A. take place outdoors.
B. Is sold out.
C. happen in another venue.

Reading Exam Long Text

Look at the statements below about a journey across the Canadian Rockies on a train.

Read the text on the opposite page to decide if each statement is correct or incorrect.

True or False?

1. This trip is for people looking for an all night party.
2. There are informative talks given along the way.
3. The trip ends at the Alaskan border.
4. The train has shared bathroom facilities.
5. The menu in the buffet car is fixed.
6. You can see many different animals from the train.
7. Passengers have a chance to get off the train.
8. The indigenous people no longer live in Prince George.
9. Mt. Robson is the highest mountain in Canada.
10. Jasper is a large city.

Exploring Western Canada by Rail

The Canadian Rockies is one of the few places in the world untouched by pollution and the invasion of man. It is a place where you can see nature at its wildest and most beautiful. Join our train, the Canadian Breeze, from 1 to 5 August for a 5 day journey through the mountains. During the voyage you are able to relax and get away from it all. There are no meetings or social activities to attend or entertainers to watch, just relax and enjoy the view. However, we do have specialists on board who can answer any of your questions about the nature you see out your window and who will talk about the birds and animals that you see on the trip.

After setting off from Prince Rupert, on the Alaskan border, we will go east through the province of British Columbia. Along the way you'll see all kinds of wildlife and wonderful scenery, with emerald green rivers and pristine mountains. You will have the chance to see deer, elk, wolves, black bears, grizzly bears, and other animals. Although we have a timetable, experience has shown that we may have to change our speed a little, depending on the animals which may appear along the way.

The Canadian Breeze is a very different train and our passengers are always impressed with its comfort. Our special berths all have the same excellent facilities, which include a private bathroom and refrigerator. Our chefs are happy to prepare any food for people on special diets. Just choose what you want to eat from the wide variety available from the dining room buffet. There is a library, shop, clinic and plenty of space to move around. If you need some exercise, why not try the special gym car that is open 24 hours.

Prices include economy class air travel and 4 nights on board the Canadian Breeze, all meals and lectures.

Itinerary

Day 1 Board the Canadian Breeze and stop at the Khutzeymateen Grizzly Bear Sanctuary on the way to the town of Terrace.

Day 2 Travel to the town of Smithers and stop at the Babine Mountains Provincial Park for a short guided walk.

Day 3 Pass through Rubyrock Lake Provincial Park on the way to Stuart Lake. Here we make a stop and allow our passengers to go fishing or take a canoe trip.

Day 4 We travel to Prince George and stop at the First Nations museum where were learn about the indigenous people that have lived in the area for centuries. We learn about their customs and way of life.

Day 5 This is the longest travel day where we see the highest mountain in the Canadian Rockies, Mt. Robson (3954m) before entering the world famous Jasper national park and we make our final stop in the charming mountain town of Jasper.

Reading Exam Multiple Short Text Examples

The people below are all looking for a book to buy. You will also find several book reviews. Decide which book would be the most suitable for each person.

Mohammad

Mohammad enjoys reading books about Islamic history and architecture. However he is not an academic person and prefers his books to be more accessible to the general reader.

Lisa

Lisa loves romance novels that are set in far away, exotic places. She likes books that transport her to new worlds and makes her forget about her day to day life.

Derek

Derek is an environmental engineer who is always interested in learning more about his field. In his free time he enjoys reading practical books that will help him with his job.

Francine

Francine likes to read about famous people's lives. She loves to learn about the way famous people overcame obstacles in life and is inspired by great people.

Recommended New Books

Alive

The true story of a man who was lost for 47 days in the Canadian Rocky Mountains. An exciting story that talks about the beauty of the natural world and the hidden dangers that exist. This story is a must for someone looking for some inspiration in their lives.

Passion in Bangkok

The 15 stories in this collection describe different relationships that all started at one bar in Bangkok. Each story talks about the way each couple met and what happened to them afterwards. Although they are not necessarily true stories, they definitely cause you to dream about distant loves on equally distant beaches.

Drinkable

A serious look at one of the biggest problems that 80% of the people on the planet face, finding clean drinking water. The author describes the different reasons for this growing problem and suggests many easy solutions.

Murder in the Great Mosque

The murder of a popular imam looks to be the work of a terrorist organization, but was it really them? This fictional story is full of excitement and describes the beautiful world of 18th century Istanbul through its buildings and people.

Just a Normal Man

Vikram Laheed is on of India's best-loved human rights activists. This book follows his life, from unknown student rebel to one of the most influential people in Indian life today. We learn about all of the difficulties he has faced and learn how he managed to solve these problems.

Miracles

Back when northern Europe was living in poor conditions, the caliphate of Cordoba enjoyed running water and beautiful buildings. Matt Frank's detailed description of the buildings and day to day life in Al-Andalus, is an easy but informative read, perfect for anyone interested in that time.