

English Language Reading

Science & Medical
Level Two
Unit Four



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Reading A: Comprehension

Becky and her brother are visiting their aunt at her house at the beach. It's a beautiful summer day. Becky is building a giant sand castle this morning. Aunt Maryam is taking pictures of the castle to send to Becky's parents. It's a great big sand castle.



Later this morning, Becky and her aunt are going swimming in the ocean. It is fun to jump with the waves. Then, they are going in the house and eating sandwiches for lunch. Becky wants to play on the beach this afternoon, but her aunt is telling her it's too hot to go outside without a hat on. Becky doesn't have a hat. Aunt Maryam is telling her not to worry, she can wear one of her hats. Becky is trying on four hats. The pink one is really pretty, but it has a big bow in the back which is too long for Becky. The green hat is too fancy for her. She doesn't like that hat at all. The blue one is nice, but it has an ugly bird on it. Then Becky saw a brown hat with a yellow ribbon on it. That hat is made of straw. It is a perfect hat for the beach. It's too big for Becky's head, but she doesn't care. Becky is trying on the hat. It's a great hat. Becky is going to enjoy playing on the beach this afternoon.



Exercise 1A: Answer the following questions

- A.** What's a good title for this story? _____
- B.** Where is Becky?
a. at the store b. at the beach c. at school d. at home.
- C.** Who's Becky visiting?
a. her grandparents b. her friends c. her sister d. her aunt
- D.** Why doesn't Becky like the blue hat?
a. it's too fancy b. it's too new c. it has an ugly bird on it. d. it's very old.
- E.** Why doesn't Becky want to wear the pink hat?
a. the bow is too long b. it has a flower c. it has a bird on it d. it is dirty
- F.** Why does Aunt Maryam want Becky to wear a hat?
a. it's raining b. it's too hot c. it's cold d. it's snowing.
- G.** Why does Becky like the brown hat?
a. it's ugly b. it's perfect c. it's too big. d. it's old

Exercise 1B:

Match the verbs from the passage with the descriptions.

Example: to go and stay for a few days → are visiting (v)

A. warm sunny day	A	___
B. very large	B	___
C. use a camera	C	___
D. wonderful, large	D	___
E. an hour or two after	E	___
F. go swim	F	___
G. to speak gently	G	___
H. would like to have fun	H	___
I. to put on the first time	I	___
J. too bright, too colourful	J	___
K. to have fun in the near future	K	___

Here's an email that a lady is writing to her mother about her holiday at the Royal Sludge Hotel.



Royal Sludge Hotel



Dear Mother

I'm writing from our hotel at Sludge Beach. Ralph and I are on vacation with the children for a few days. We're happy to be here, but to tell you the truth, we're having a few problems.

The weather isn't very good. In fact, it's cold and cloudy. Right now, I'm looking out the window and it's raining cats and dogs. The children aren't very happy. In fact, they're bored and they're having a terrible time. Right now, they're sitting on the bed and playing tic tac toe and watching TV.

The restaurants here are expensive and the food isn't very good. In fact, Ralph is at a clinic right now. He's having some problems with his stomach because of something he ate last night.

All the other hotels here are beautiful and new. Our hotel is ugly, and it's very very old. As a matter of fact, right now a repairman is fixing the bathroom sink.

So mother, we're having a few problems here at Sludge Beach, but we're happy. We're happy to be together and we're happy to be on vacation. The children are saying hello to you and sending their love. I think they miss you.

With all our love,

Noora

Exercise 1C: Reading Check Up

True or False



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|--|---|---|
| 1. The weather is lovely, sunny, and warm. | T | F |
| 2. Noora is watching cats and dogs. | T | F |
| 3. The children are enjoying themselves. | T | F |
| 4. The restaurant food is delicious and cheap. | T | F |
| 5. Ralph is feeling great. | T | F |
| 6. Their hotel is fantastic. | T | F |
| 7. A repairman isn't fixing the window. | T | F |



Writing Practice

Use the email about the Royal Sludge Hotel. Write a similar paragraph about one of your experiences from the past or from the future.

Imagine that your experience is happening right now and you're writing to your brother or sister. Use the present simple and / or present continuous. This can be a happy or unhappy experience.



Note to students: The present continuous can be used for actions happening in the near future. E.g. tomorrow, this afternoon, tomorrow morning, etc....

Exercise

2A: Hobbies word-search

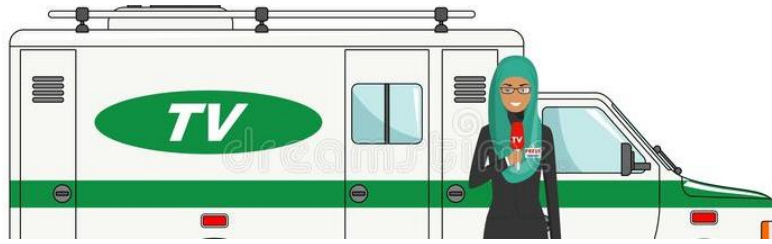


Search for the words on the **right**.

Karate is already done for you.

H	I	M	H	O	I	C	R	S	F	C	S	N	G	COOKING
S	U	N	L	G	I	D	G	O	R	I	S	N	I	FOOTBALL
S	M	N	N	M	W	G	O	N	G	N	I	C	M	SIGHTSEEING
E	H	N	T	A	E	T	I	H	I	M	N	A	N	FISHING
H	I	G	W	I	B	I	T	D	M	H	I	M	E	HIKING
C	K	A	S	A	N	S	E	I	B	G	S	P	N	HUNTING
D	I	N	L	O	E	G	W	G	N	O	I	I	G	READING
R	N	L	T	E	I	S	C	A	G	T	I	N	F	DRAWING
A	G	K	I	E	C	O	O	K	I	N	G	G	I	SWIMMING
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I	G	N	L	H	O	W	H	G	A	C	E	R	R	CHESS
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Daylight Robbery: Live on the News Channel



Amina is a journalist for a national news channel on TV




Amina: Hello to our viewers, this is Amina reporting live from Fuloos Kathir Bank in Jeddah where a man has entered the building and is stealing the money. He is currently telling the cashiers to raise their hands. Now, he is instructing them to put the money in the bag. The bags are filling up with all the brand-new banknotes. We are hearing that the police are arriving. It looks like they won't be entering the building because the gunman is holding a gun. They customers and employees are screaming and asking for help.

The situation is becoming very intense. We can now see one police officer entering the building with his arms raised. It looks like he is not carrying a gun. He is now talking to the gunman who is asking for a helicopter. Oh no! the police man



is wresting the gunman to the ground. He is now putting the handcuffs on. What an eventful few minutes. Thanks for watching and have a nice day.

Exercise 2A: Vocabulary

<u>Word</u>		<u>Definition</u>
gun		Policeman/woman
Police officer		Giving orders
customer		Putting your hand up
instructing		A weapon
Cashier		Interesting and exciting
Raising your hand		Someone who buys products or pays for services.
Eventful		Someone who works in a bank

Exercise 2B: Choose the correct answer

1. The robber asked for: brand-new banknotes a helicopter
2. The name of the bank is: Fuloos Kathir Jeddah
3. The customers were: screaming giving help
4. The robbery lasted for: a few days a few minutes
5. Who wore the handcuffs: the robber the policeman

End of Unit Four Reading