

Reading Comprehension – Test 1



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Read each text carefully and choose the correct answer for each question.

Part 1: An email

Read Lina's email to her friend Tom. Then choose the correct answer.

Hi Tom,

How are you? I am in Lisbon with my family. We are here for one week. Our hotel is small but very nice. It is near the sea, and my room has a big window.

Every morning we have breakfast at eight o'clock. I eat bread, cheese and fruit. My brother Sam drinks orange juice, but I like tea.

The weather is hot and sunny. In the afternoon we go to the beach. Sam likes swimming, but I don't. I read my book under a tree.

Tomorrow we want to visit a museum. On Saturday we go home by train.

See you soon!

Lina

1. Why does Lina write to Tom?

A To invite him to Lisbon	B To tell him about her holiday
C To ask about his family	D To thank him for a book
2. How long is Lina's family in Lisbon?

A One day	B Two weeks	C One week	D One month
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3. Which sentence about the hotel is true?

A It is big and near the sea.	B It is small and near the sea.
C It is small and far from the sea.	D It is big and in the city centre.
4. What does Lina drink at breakfast?

A Orange juice	B Coffee	C Milk	D Tea
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5. The hotel is "near the sea". This means the hotel is _____.

A close to the sea	B in the sea	C far from the sea	D under the sea
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6. What does Lina do at the beach?

A She swims with Sam.	B She reads a book.
C She plays football.	D She sleeps in the hotel.
7. Which sentence is true?

A Lina and Sam drink the same thing at breakfast.
B Lina does not like the hotel.
C Lina and Sam like different things at the beach.
D The weather in Lisbon is cold.

8. When and how does the family go home?

- A** On Friday, by plane
- C** On Sunday, by train

- B** On Saturday, by train
- D** On Saturday, by bus

Part 2: A notice

Read the notice from a library. Then choose the correct answer.

GREENFIELD LIBRARY

Welcome to our new library!

Opening times:

Monday to Friday: 9:00 am – 6:00 pm

Saturday: 10:00 am – 2:00 pm

Sunday: closed

You can borrow five books for two weeks. It is free! You need a library card. Please bring a photo and your address to the front desk.

Children's Corner: Story time is every Wednesday at 4:00 pm. It is for children from 3 to 7 years old.

Computer Room: There are ten computers on the first floor. You can use a computer for one hour.

Please be quiet in the library. No food or drinks, please. Water is OK.

Questions? Call us: 555 0172

9. What is this notice about?

- A** A new library
- B** A new school
- C** A computer shop
- D** A children's party

10. When is the library closed?

- A** On Saturday
- B** On Monday
- C** On Sunday
- D** On Wednesday

11. Ali wants to go to the library on Saturday at 3:00 pm. What is true?

- A** He can go. The library is open.
- B** He can't go. The library closes at 2:00 pm.
- C** He can go, but only to the computer room.
- D** He can't go. The library opens at 4:00 pm.

12. "You can borrow five books." Here, borrow means _____.

- A** buy and keep
- B** sell to the library
- C** write in
- D** take home and bring back later

13. What do you need to bring for a library card?

- A** A photo and your address
- B** Money and a photo
- C** A book and your phone number
- D** Your passport and money

14. Who is story time for?

- A** Adults
- B** Children from 7 to 10
- C** Young children from 3 to 7
- D** Teachers

15. Where are the computers?

- A** In the Children's Corner
- B** On the first floor
- C** Next to the front desk
- D** On the second floor

16. Maya is in the library. What can she do?

A Eat a sandwich

C Talk on the phone loudly

B Drink some water

D Use a computer for three hours

Answer key – Reading Comprehension – Test 1

1 B	2 C	3 B	4 D	5 A	6 B	7 C	8 B	9 A	10 C
11 B	12 D	13 A	14 C	15 B	16 B				

Explanations

- B** – Lina writes about her week in Lisbon with her family, so she is telling Tom about her holiday.
- C** – The email says: 'We are here for one week.'
- B** – Lina writes that the hotel is small and it is near the sea.
- D** – Sam drinks orange juice, but Lina says 'I like tea.'
- A** – 'Near' means close to something.
- B** – Lina doesn't like swimming, so she reads her book under a tree.
- C** – Sam likes swimming, but Lina doesn't, so they like different things at the beach.
- B** – The email says: 'On Saturday we go home by train.'
- A** – The notice says 'Welcome to our new library!' and gives information about it.
- C** – The opening times say 'Sunday: closed'.
- B** – On Saturday the library is open from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm, so at 3:00 pm it is closed.
- D** – You take the books home for two weeks and then bring them back, so 'borrow' means take and return later.
- A** – The notice says: 'Please bring a photo and your address to the front desk.'
- C** – Story time is 'for children from 3 to 7 years old'.
- B** – The notice says there are ten computers on the first floor.
- B** – Food and drinks are not allowed, but the notice says 'Water is OK.'

Notes for teachers: Ask learners to read each text once for the general idea, then again to answer the questions. Several items target common A1 problems: mixing up details about two people (Lina and Sam), reading times on a timetable, and guessing words like 'near' and 'borrow' from context. As follow-up, learners can write a short holiday email or design a notice for their school.