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Reading Comprehension – Transformation questions – Word formation

Reading Comprehension

Read the text below. For each question choose the best answer.

Greenwood Holiday Village

If you want to take the whole family on holiday, and keep everybody happy, then I have found just the place for you. I recently went with a group of friends to stay at the Greenwood Holiday Village, which is open from May until October.

Built in the centre of a forest, Greenwood is a great place to stay whatever the weather. Its main attraction for families is the indoor World of Water, where young and old can have fun in the different pools. Some of these, however, are for serious swimmers only.

For sporty people, the Country Club offers tennis, squash and badminton. If your children are too young to join in these sports, there are activity clubs. Greenwood is a good place for families as it is traffic free – you explore on foot or by bike. Some people complained that this was inconvenient, but I was pleased to be out in the fresh air. For evening entertainment, there are shows and cinemas.

Accommodation is in a variety of apartments of different sizes. These have up to four bedrooms, a kitchen and a bathroom, as well as a dining area. Before going, I thought the apartments might not be big enough for all of us, but I was pleasantly surprised – it was not too crowded at all.

I'll definitely go back to Greenwood next year. Why don't you give it a try? Visit their website for further information now !

(1) What is the writer's main purpose in writing this text ?

- a) to give her opinion of the holiday village
- b) to describe what her family did at the holiday village
- c) to give advice to a friend going to the holiday village

(2) From the text, the reader can find out

- a) the best way to get to the holiday village.
- b) the best time of year to visit the holiday village.
- c) what activities are available at the holiday village.

(3) What does the writer think about the holiday village?

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a) The apartments there are not big enough.

b) There is something there for all ages.

c) It can only be enjoyed in good weather.

(4) What does the writer say about the apartments ?

a) There is not much space between them.

b) Each one has its own bathroom.

c) They all have four bedrooms.

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Write about the experience you would like to have in a holiday village .

(write 50-80 words)

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Sentence Transformation

Write the second sentence so that it has the same meaning as the first. You **must change** the first sentence using **no more than 3 words**.

1) When I was young, I always went to Butlin's holiday camps.

I **used to go** to Butlin's holiday camps when I was young.

2) Who does this suitcase belong to ?

Whose **suitcase is** this ?

3) Check you have your aeroplane tickets and passport before you leave home.

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Before you leave home, **remember to check** you have your aeroplane tickets and passport.

4) A holiday village is more expensive than bed and breakfast accommodation.

Bed and breakfast accommodation **is cheaper than** a holiday village.

5) The apartment key was given to me by the holiday representative.

The holiday representative **gave me** the apartment key.

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Verb Tenses.Fill in the spaces with the correct form of the verb in brackets.

1) Greenwood Holiday Village **is going to pen/will open/is opening** a new cycle path along the river next year. (open)

2) We were playing tennis in the Country Club when it **began** to rain. (begin)

3) Greenwood Holiday Village **was visited** by 80,000 visitors last year. (visit)

4) Have you ever **swum** at the World of Water ? (swim)

5) When we arrived, the apartments were bigger than I **had expected**. (expect)

6) If we **save** enough money, we'll go on holiday to Greenwood Holiday Village next summer. (save)

7) You pick up the bikes and I **will pay** for them immediately. (pay)

8) If Greenwood Holiday Village had a golf course, they **would have/would have had** more guests. (have)

9) We **enjoyed** ourselves at Greenwood Holiday Village last year.(enjoy)

10) We **have already booked** the holiday for next year. (already, book)

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Word Formation. Fill the space in the sentence using the base word given. The required word may be a noun, adverb, adjective or verb and it may be either positive (e.g. helpful) or negative (e.g. unhelpful).

<p><u>Butlin’s Holiday Camps</u></p> <p>Butlin’s holiday camps were founded to provide (1) affordable holidays for ordinary British (2) families. Between 1936 and 1966, ten camps were built, (3) including one in Ireland and one in the Bahamas, and a (4) revolving restaurant in the Post Office Tower in London.</p> <p>Tough competition from overseas package holiday (5) operators, rising operational costs, and (6) rapidly changing demand, forced many of the Butlin’s operations to close in the 1980s and 1990s. Three of the (7) original camps remain open today in Bognor Regis, Minehead and Skegness.</p> <p>Butlin’s provides (8) entertainment and a (9) variety of “ family fun activities” many of which are included in the price of a holiday. Redcoats provide (10) enjoyment, organise activities and act as hosts.</p> <p>Sir Billy Butlin (1899-1980) said, “ Give the punters a fair deal, a roof over their heads and amusements, and they will flock in.”</p>	<p>(1) afford</p> <p>(2) family</p> <p>(3) include</p> <p>(4) revolve</p> <p>(5) operate</p> <p>(6) rapid</p> <p>(7) origin</p> <p>(8) entertain</p> <p>(9) various</p> <p>(10) enjoy</p>
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- (9) _____ (10) _____