

ERCIYES UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF FOREIGN LANGUAGES

(ALL LEVELS) READING QUIZ SAMPLE

A. Read the text and choose the best alternative. (Metni okuyup en iyi seçeneği işaretleyiniz.)

Hi, my name is Tina. I am thirteen years old and today I want to talk about my best friend Selena. She is my classmate and she is thirteen years old, too. We attend a very big school near Scotland. We share the same desk and love the same school subjects. Our favourite lessons are Arts and Physical Education. I am very good at tennis and she is very good at volleyball. She plays volleyball at our school team. We both have a busy life. We always get up at a half past six and at seven o'clock her father takes us to school by car. They live next door to us, so after school we always do our homework, walk our dogs and play together. Our classes start at half past seven and finish at 4 p.m. Her mother is a nurse. My mother is a nurse too and they work at the same hospital. Our fathers are both engineers but they work at different companies. On Mondays, Selena has violin classes and I have piano classes. On Tuesdays and Thursdays, she practices volleyball at the school's gym and I play tennis in our school court. Friday is my favourite day because Selena stays overnight with us. On the weekends, we usually go to the movie theatre or have a picnic if the weather is good. I am an only child; I don't have a sister but she is like a sister to me.

1. What is Tina's favourite day of the week?

- A) Sunday
- B) Monday
- C) Tuesday
- D) Friday**

2. Selena and Tina don't _____.

- A) go to school together
- B) walk their dog together
- C) play together
- D) live in the same house**

3. Which of the following is FALSE about Tina according to the text?

- A) Her mother is a nurse.
- B) She has a busy life.
- C) She walks her dog on Saturdays.**
- D) She spends time with her best friend.

4. The word 'she' in the text refers to _____.

- A) Tina
- B) Selena**
- C) Selena's mother
- D) Tina's sister

5. The word 'classes' in the text means _____.

- A) lessons**
- B) schools
- C) projects
- D) exams

B. Read the text and circle the best alternative. (Metni okuyup en iyi seçeneği işaretleyiniz.)

Every spring, a spectacle unfolds on the tiny island of Handa, nestled just off Scotland's far north-western coast. Nearly 100,000 seabirds – guillemots, great skuas, razor-bills, and puffins – descend upon this remote haven. While Handa is visible from various points along the mainland coastline, its proximity can be deceiving. Unless you're familiar with the landscape or have a map handy, you might miss the fact **that** it's actually an island. At its closest point, a mere 350 meters separates Handa from the mainland. On a sunny day, the swim might seem tempting, but the chilly water quickly dispels that notion. Reaching Handa requires a 10-minute ferry ride from the small pier at Tarbet, a hamlet 5.5 winding miles down the road from the larger village of Scourie. Approaching the island's eastern side, you'll be greeted by a surprisingly tranquil scene – a soft white-sand beach lapped by turquoise water. This calmness belies the island's true claim to fame: the steep cliffs **teeming** with seabirds. Day trips are the only way to experience Handa. The Handa Ferry operates from Tarbet pier between early April and early September, running Monday to Saturday. Outgoing journeys depart between 9:00 AM and 1:30 PM, with the last return ferry around 4:30 PM. Be sure to pack a picnic – the island has no food or drink facilities. Luckily, Scourie has a small grocery store for last-minute provisions. While a ranger and volunteers are available to answer questions about Handa, exploration is primarily self-guided along well-marked paths. The best time to witness the seabirds, especially the adorable puffins, is from mid-May to June. Life on Handa, despite its abundant natural beauty, comes with its challenges. "We rely heavily on the ferry service to get supplies from the mainland," shared one resident. "There was even a time when bad weather stranded us for eight days without any boats." However, he continued, "The peace and solitude of the island after the tourist season is unmatched. You adapt to island life surprisingly quickly."

1. What is the main focus of the text?

- A) The history of bird species native to Scotland
- B) The challenges of living in remote Scottish villages
- C) The attractions and conditions of visiting Handa Island**
- D) The environmental problems caused by tourism on Scottish islands

2. The word “**that**” in line 4 refers to:

- A) the island's remoteness
- B) Handa's visibility from the mainland
- C) Handa being separated from the mainland**
- D) the distance of 350 meters from the mainland

3. The word “**belies**” in the sentence “*This calmness belies the island's true claim to fame*” is closest in meaning to:

- A) contradicts**
- B) confirms
- C) reveals
- D) emphasizes

4. Which of the following statements about the **Handa Ferry** is correct according to the text?

- A) It runs daily throughout the entire year.
- B) It operates between early April and early September.**
- C) It departs from Scourie village every morning.
- D) It allows overnight stays on the island.

5. According to the resident, what was one difficulty of living on Handa Island?

- A) Lack of access to fresh water
- B) Having no electricity or heating
- C) Being stranded due to bad weather**
- D) Managing the large number of tourists year-round