

Reading Comprehension :

London is an enormous town and there are hundreds of streets and houses all looking exactly the same. People drive very carefully because they are afraid to get lost especially after dark and in foggy weather.

I remember one particular foggy day very well. I was a young teacher and I was teaching in a school 15 kilometers far from my house. I always traveled in daylight, so I thought I knew the route from my house to school. On that **memorable day**, however, the fog was very thick and I couldn't see more than three or four meters in front of me. I was very worried.

When school finished, I got into my car, put on the lights, and drove slowly out into the main road to join the thousands of cars going home. I could only see the red lights of the car in front of me. A few minutes later, I was surprised that the car in front seemed to be going the same way I wanted to go. Every time I needed to turn left or right, **the car in front did the same**. This continued for three or four kilometers. One hour later, I felt sure that it was going to exactly the same place as me, so I followed it thinking the driver was a neighbor.

We went up a short hill and then we stopped. I waited for the car in front to move, but it didn't. Suddenly, the two friendly red lights went out. The front lights of my own car showed only thick fog. I didn't know what was happening. I was terrified. The next moment someone knocked on the window of my car and I heard a man's voice asking me where I was going. I tried to keep calm and I murmured 'West Wickham. Do you know when this car in front is going to move?' 'Not until tomorrow morning,' he said calmly. 'You see, the car is in its garage and you are parked right behind it, in my drive.' At that moment I felt relieved and I thanked God. 'What about coming in and having a cup of tea until the weather clears up?' And that was how I met my future husband.

1 Tick the right alternative.

The text is: argumentative. narrative. descriptive.

2 Complete the table with information from the text about the writer. (3 marks)

Job	Marital Status	Residence
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3 Find details in the text showing that the following statements are **FALSE**.

a) The writer got lost on her first day at work.

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b) The writer felt afraid after the man talked to her.

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4 Pick out TWO details showing the writer's feeling of fear.

a)

b)

5 Complete these sentences with reference to the text. (3 marks)

a) The writer couldn't see more than three or four metres in front of her car **because**

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b) The writer kept following the car in front of her **because**

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c) The writer when she realised she was **safe at last**.

6 Tick the right meaning.

a) **memorable day** (paragraph 2) means:

a very bad day a day I will never forget a day I don't want to remember

b) **the car in front did the same** (paragraph 3) means:

went exactly to the same place was following me turned left or right

7 What does the underlined word in the text refer to?

We (paragraph 4) refers to

8 Give a personal justified answer to the following question.

Would you **give** someone **in trouble** in a **terrible weather** a **helping hand**? **Why** (not)?

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Language :

Exercise 1 : Circle the right alternative :

A lot of my friends say they feel embarrassed when they sing in front of people, but I don't think it's embarrassing at all. People are so worried about other **(people' opinions/peoples opinions/ people's opinions)** that they can't **(have/ having/ had)** fun anymore. I think it's crazy. When I get up on stage, I just forget **(why/ what/ who)** other people think of me. Last year I entered a karaoke competition in my home town, Wicklow, and I won a place in the national championship. I was so **(excited/ exciting/ excitement)**! I went up to Dublin with all my friends and family, it **(has been/ will be/ was)** fantastic! There were some brilliant **(singing/ singers/ songs)** there from all over the country and I didn't think I had a **(dream/ gift/ chance)**, but in the end I won second place. Was I embarrassed? No, I wasn't!

Exercise 2 : Put the words in the right form or tense :

Edward Christopher "Ed" Sheeran is a well-known English singer and songwriter, who **(to win)**.....the hearts of people all over the world with his melodic voice. He **(to be)**..... born on 17 February 1991 in Halifax, West Yorkshire, UK, and started showing **(to interest)**..... in music from quite a young age. Ed started **(to play)**.....the guitar as well as singing in the local church. His father also used to take him to various musical concerts which inspired him to a great extent. And **(to make)**..... him decide to choose a career in music. He attended Thomas Mills High School in Framlingham. Later, he also **(to study)**.....music .From his teenage days he had started recording CDs and selling them. Ed Sheeran became **(fame)**.....in June 2017, when he was **(to award)**..... an MBE on the occasion of the Queen's Birthday Honours. In 2019, he paired with Justin Bieber for the single "I Don't Care." It **(to be)**..... the first of a series of duets which Sheeran started doing.

Exercise 3 : Complete the paragraph with words from the box .(Nb: There are 2 extra words):

number - favourite - stars - vegetables - popular - third - famous - in front of -
bedtime - performance

The X Factor is a British television music competition to find new talented singers. The 'X Factor' discovers talents and make of peopleThe show began in 2004 and is still X Factor singers perform on a stagethe judges and a live audience. After thethe audience at home can vote by phone for theirsingers . Many winners then go on to get a UK-one single. But you don't have to win *The X Factor* to becomeOne Direction, the massively popular British boy band, competed in 2010 but they didn't win, they came



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Writing :

Task 1: Use the following notes to develop a coherent paragraph summarising the movie Titanic.

- 1912 – trip on the ship Titanic – great love story.
- Jack, 20, poor – Rose, 17, rich, has a fiancé – meet and fall in love.
- accident – ship sinks – Jack sacrifices his life (freeze to death) to save Rose's – sad ending.

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Task 2 : Today was a special memorable day! You had a surprising event that filled you with strong emotions. Write about it in your diary so that you don't forget the experience.

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