

Reading Plus

Lesson 4

Exercise 20

A. Scanning:

1. How many lines are there in this timed reading?
2. What is the first word of the paragraph with the fewest sentences?
3. What is the last word of the paragraph with the most sentences?
4. How many words in this timed writing are in italics?
5. How many sentences are there in this timed reading?

B. Locating Information:

1. Which paragraph discusses the ancient Greek civilization?
2. Which paragraph discusses the food available in Greece?
3. Which paragraph describes the land of Greece?
4. Which paragraph describes the water of Greece?
5. What are the reasons given in this timed reading for why tourists visit Greece?

C. Grammar:

1. Which words in the first paragraph can be replaced by the phrase “a little more than”?
2. How many superlative adjectives appear in this timed writing?
3. In which paragraph does a superlative adjective not appear?
4. How many past participles appear in the third paragraph?
5. How many times does the present perfect tense appear in the fourth paragraph?

D. Vocabulary:

1. Find an adjective in the second paragraph that means “productive” or “fruitful.”
2. Find a word in the second paragraph that might be used by someone living on an island to refer to the primary area of land with which the island is associated.
3. Find a word in the first half of the timed reading that refers to a strip of land sticking out from the mainland that is almost completely surrounded by water.
4. Which verb in the third paragraph is a synonym of the verb “cut”?
5. Find a word that describes a nation or people who are known for making a living and traveling by way of the sea.
6. Which word in the third paragraph means “next to” or “nearby”?
7. Which word in the second half of the timed reading is an antonym of the word “primitive” or “simple”?
8. Which word in the fifth paragraph means “drawn to” or “interested in”?
9. Which word in the fifth paragraph refers to the various things that can be seen as part of the view of a place?
10. Find an adjective in the final paragraph that means very, very old.

