Reading Plus
Lesson 6

Exercise 16

A. Scanning:
1. Which two paragraphs end with the same word?
2. How many questions are presented in this reading passage?
3. Which paragraph has the same number of lines as it does sentences?
4. Which paragraph has the fewest sentences?
5. How many sentences are there in the fourth paragraph?

B. Locating Information:
1. According to this reading passage, how many steps are there to giving a person mouth-to-mouth artificial resuscitation?
2. According to this reading passage, how many times should this process be repeated per minute?
3. Which paragraph sets up an imaginary situation?
4. How many parts of the body appear in the final paragraph? (Some body parts appear more than once, so be sure to count them all.)
5. At what point in this timed reading might the author add a paragraph that talks about what to do if you give a victim mouth-to-mouth, but the victim still does not start breathing?

C. Grammar:
1. If you were to change the word “can” (line 3) to “could,” would the sentence still be grammatically correct?
2. Which sentence in the second paragraph begins with a phrase that could be substituted by the word “suddenly” without changing the meaning of the sentence?
3. If you were to change the word “of” (line 9) to “to,” would the sentence still be grammatically correct?
4. Explain the meaning of the word “still beating” (line 7) to someone who said the following: “I don’t understand this sentence. I thought ‘still’ meant ‘not moving,’ but beating means moving, so is it moving or not moving?”
5. How many sentences in the fourth paragraph begin with a verb?

D. Vocabulary:
1. Find a word in the first paragraph that means “prevented” or “kept from happening.”
2. Find an adjective in the first paragraph that means “more than necessary” or “too much.”
3. Which verb in the first paragraph refers to a person dying because they were not able to breath?
4. Find a word in the third paragraph that means “to wake a person up” or “to bring a person back to life.”
5. Find an adjective in the third paragraph that refers to doing something successfully, or in a way that actually works.
6. Find a word in the third paragraph that means “the act of breathing.”
7. Find a verb in the fourth paragraph that means “to squeeze or close something with your two fingers.”
8. Which verb in the fourth paragraph means “to breathe out”?
9. Which phrase in the fourth paragraph refers to an object that is found in one place where that object does not naturally belong?
10. Find a verb in the fourth paragraph that is a synonym of “look” or “observe.”