**Reading Test**

**Part 1: Complete the text with the correct past simple or past continuous form of the verbs in brackets. (2.5 points)**

It was a cold, dark evening. The snow was falling fast and an icy wind was blowing. As Rick (1)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(walk) home along the empty street, he saw a strange flash of light in the distance. He (2)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(stop). “Maybe it was just my imagnation,” he thought. Then, suddenly, the light (3)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(flash) again. As he was watching it, he ran towards he light when something hit his heads. Rick (4)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (fall) onto the snow. A car door opened and a man (5)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(step) out in front of him…

**Part 2: Read and answer the questions. (2.5 points)**

BASE jumping is an extreme sport. It is similar to skydiving, but there are important differences. Firstly, the jumps are much lower – usually no more than six hundred metres. And secondly, there is no aircraft. Instead, participants jump from some kind of bridge, building or cliff. The first BASE jump took place in 1912 in New York, when Frederick Law jumped for the Statue of Liberty. In the 1960s and 70s the sport became more popular, partly thanks to Carl Boenish. He made documentaries about BASE jumping and also thought of the name. He died in 1984 while he was jumping in Norway. BASE jumping is a thrilling experience, but it is very risky too.

1. What is the text about?

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1. Is BASE jumping the same as skydiving?

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1. Where do participants jump from in this sport?

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1. When did first BASE jump take place?

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1. Did Carl Boenish make the first BASE jumping?

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**Part 3: Match the sentence halves. (2.5 points)**

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| 1. As I was climbing the mountain, | a. she lost her torch |
| 2. The girl was kayaking down the river, | b. they dropped their map |
| 3. As the friends were arguing | c. when our car broke down |
| 4. While we were sailing to Greece, | d. I met another hiker on his way down |
| 5. We were driving through the desert | e. my sister fell into the river |

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| **1.** | **2.** | **3.** | **4.** | **5.** |

**Part 4: Read the description of a photo and answer True or False. (2.5 points)**

The photo shows five people in a dinghy. They’re white-water rafting on a river. In the top left corner of the photo, there is a man leaning out of the boat. In the foreground, there’s a lot of water. The man at the back of the dinghy is trying to guide the dinghy with his paddle. The other four people aren’t helping very much. It looks as if they’re new to it. They’re all wearing the same life jackets and helmets. They’re doing this as a holiday activity.

1. There are five people in the photo.
2. There is a man leaning to the boat.
3. There is only one person trying a lot.
4. These people know how to sail the dinghy well.
5. They are doing this as a competition.

**🍀THE END🍀**

**ANSWERS:**

**Part 1:**

1. was walking
2. stopped
3. flashed
4. fell
5. stepped

**Part 2:**

1. The test is about BASE jumping.
2. No, it isn’t.
3. Participants jump from some kind of bridge, building or cliff.
4. The first BASE jump took place in 1912.
5. No, he didn’t.

**Part 3:**

1d 2a 3b 4e 5c

**Part 4:**

1. T
2. F
3. T
4. F
5. F