NAME: ______ DATE: _____

READING – Short text

1. Read the text about 'Learning to swim' and answer the questions.

LEARNING TO SWIM

a) Rachel Robbins: I learnt to swim when I was a teenager. I went to the local swimming pool with my two sisters. It was old and cold and not very nice. I can still remember my instructor: his name was Colin Firth, like the actor. But he wasn't as good-looking!

b) Geoffrey Hopkins: It took me a long time to learn. I wasn't a natural. I still don't swim very well. I certainly wouldn't like to be in a boat in rough seas. I never really learnt to put my face in the water. It hurts my eyes and I can't see.

c) Simon Fordham: My father was a swimming instructor so I guess it's in the blood. I can't remember a time when I couldn't swim. I spent most of my childhood holidays at the beach and I still go at any opportunity I get.

d) Karen Marks: One day I was standing by the deep end of the swimming pool and I suddenly fell in. I don't know how I did it but I managed to get to the side. I was coughing but I could swim! My brother saw me when I got out and thought it was very funny. But he didn't laugh when I hit him.

e) Phillip Parker: I was on a small boat with about ten other boys. It was very small and someone pushed me in the water. The water was very clean and I could see everything. I remember feeling very peaceful and comfortable, I wasn't worried at all. I started swimming, not very well, but another boy helped me to return to the beach.

Which person:

1.	enjoyed the experience?
2.	doesn't feel comfortable in water?
3.	learnt to swim without any help?
4.	took swimming lessons?
5.	learnt when he / she was very young?
6.	goes swimming now when it's possible?

GRAMMAR – Present/Past simple/continuous

1. Put the verbs into the Past Simple, Present Simple or Present Continuous. All the sentences are affirmative. There are three examples at the beginning.

- Kevin broke (break) his leg three days ago.
- Ann never plays (play) basketball. She doesn't like it.

• "What are (be) you doing (do)?" "I'm doing (do) my homework."

1) Jason ______ (be) very busy yesterday and he didn't come.

2) We always ______ (help) my grandparents when they're in need.

3) Erica ______ (study) in France at the moment. She went there two weeks

ago.

4) Kevin_____ (catch) a cold last weekend.

5) She usually_____ (go out) with her friends twice a week.

6) I _____ (give) her a wonderful present one year ago.

7) Most students ______ (make) the same mistake last week.

8) "How many foreign languages _____ (d) she _____ (speak)?" She _____

(speak) French, Russian and English.

9) "What _____ (be) they _____ (do) now?" "They _____ (do) their shopping in Marks Spencer."

10) Susan _____ (fly) to Chicago a few weeks ago.

2. Complete the short answers. There is an example at the beginning.

0. Can she swim? Yes, she can.

1) Is your friend from Argentina? No, _____.

2) Do you drive a white sports car? Yes, _____.

3) Did they give you this book yesterday? No, _____.

4) Are you frightened of snakes? No, _____.

- 5) Were your parents doctors? Yes, _____.
- 6) Is Tina interested in psychology? Yes, _____.
- Are there any plants in the living room? No, _____.
- 8) Is it foggy today? Yes, _____.

9) Are you wearing jeans? Yes, _____.

10) Does your brother like watching football matches? No, _____.

VOCABULARY- Feelings

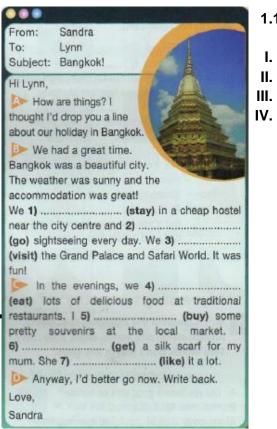
1. Choose the correct option. In case you don't know the vocabulary, search it on the dictionary.



WRITING

1. Read the rubric, then the email. Put the verbs in the correct tense.

Write an email to your English-speaking friend about a holiday you went on. Mention where you went, where you stayed and what you did (50-100 words)



Hi

____,

- 1.1 Match the paragraphs to the headings
- I. Expressions to finish the letter
- II. Food and shopping
 - Accommodation and sights
- IV. Reason for writing

1.2 Now complete the letter to your friend about your holiday

LISTENING – FILL THE GAPS

1. Fill the gaps with the correct phrase from the box.

Have you got them	How much are they	no thanks		
They're a bit too big	size 11 in black	thanks anyway		
Shop assistant: Hi there. Do you need any help?				
Sam: Hi. Er I really like these trainers?				
Shop assistant: Oh they're £45.				
Sam: OKin a 10?				
Shop assistant: I'll have a look for you.				
Sam: Thanks.				
Shop assistant: Oh what colour would you like?				
Sam: Black, please.				
Shop assistant: OK, just a moment, please We've got a 10 in white, but not in black.				
Sam: Oh do you have?				
Shop assistant: Yeah, sure. Do you want to try them?				
Sam: Yes, please.				
Shop assistant: How are they?				
Sam: I like them, but				
Shop assistant: Do you want to try the white ones in your size?				
Sam: Mmm, I don't like the white ones too much.				
Shop assistant: Ah, OK. I'm sorry about that.				
Sam: Don't worry Bye.				
Shop assistant: Thanks a lot. Bye now.				

SPEAKING – Report a trip

1. Compare and contrast the following photographs.



2. Now, answer the questions.

- I. Describe your ideal holiday.
- II. Describe your last holidays. (What did you do? Where you alone? With family members or friends? Where did you go?)
- III. Have you ever missed home? If yes, when was it?
- IV. Where would you want to go in the future?