

THEME 3 HARD TIMES READING SKILL (SUNSHINE)

A. Read the texts again and write T for true and F for false for the following statements.

1. Last week, something terrible happened! My brother was riding his bike when he broke his leg. That day was a sunny and beautiful day, so my little brother, Tony, went out to play with his friends. He used to play with his friends outside the house. As I was studying in my room, I heard them playing, laughing and having fun. After a while, they were all gone. I looked out of the window and saw Tony and his friends riding their bikes. I used to ignore my little brother so I went on studying. But then, I heard a cry. It was Tony! My father and I ran outside the house. Tony was lying on the ground while his friends were trying to help him. He couldn't stand up because he broke his leg awfully. My mother called the emergency immediately and an ambulance came and took Tony to hospital. I was shocked and felt guilty because I didn't warn Tony and his friends that they were riding around a construction area which could be dangerous for them. That was my mistake!

2. I eat, sleep and breathe adventure travel as it is always fun, but something bad happened during one of my vacations a while ago. While I was driving in India a few years ago, I found myself in the tiger area. I was alone because I used to enjoy trying new things myself so I left the group for a short ride around the campsite, but I drove too far away. Suddenly, I realized that the road ended and I was in the bare forest. Then, my tire stuck into the mud. I was scared, but it was too late. First, I tried to get out of the mud. It was impossible. Then, I looked for someone to help, but nobody was around. I shouted a lot. Then, suddenly, I heard slow footsteps inside the bushes and saw a tiger walking towards me. I was going to faint. I ran inside the SUV and tried to call someone for help. My phone wasn't there! I started crying and after two hours, two tour guides came while I was desperately waiting for someone to realize that I was missing. They saved me, but the tiger was hurt a bit while the guides were trying to distract it away from me. It was my fault!

3. When my grandparents were young, there were no mobile phones. There were phones at homes, but they couldn't call someone directly. They used to have a central telephone system and some officers connect people after a while. They used to wait for hours to call someone. Therefore, they came together with the people they wished to see or talk to and they communicated via letters with the people who lived far away. One day, my grandfather's aunt wrote a letter to my grandfather to inform him that his mother was ill and he needed to go to his hometown to see his mother for the last time. But, unfortunately, it was too late when the letter arrived. His mother had already died before he could go to their house. My grandfather never forgave himself because he put off visiting his parents that year and couldn't see his mother for the last time!

1. Tony and his friends played outside the house because it was nice outside. _____
2. Tony was taken to hospital in his father's car. _____
3. The car was stuck in the mud because it was raining heavily. _____
4. Tour guides found out that one person was absent and looked for him. _____
5. People used to have more face to face communication with the people around. _____
6. People used to receive letters always on time. _____