

THEME 5 BACK TO THE PAST READING SKILL (SUNSHINE)

A. Read the diary entry and the reflection of Jennifer. Then, insert the sentences.

a. Therefore, I stayed away from that course.

b. All in all, I have never forgiven myself although I have never cheated again.

c. I felt so embarrassed that I couldn't stand up for a while.

26 November.2013

Dear Diary,

Today, I made a big mistake. I cheated in the Math exam! Do you believe it? It was the first and the last time I swear. Last week, I was very ill, so I couldn't study for the exam. That's why, I made a wrong decision and I tried to cheat. It was a huge mistake! Oh my God! How could I try to deceive my teacher? I can't believe it! My teacher came close and she quietly told me to stop writing and leave the classroom as she saw me cheating. _____. Then, I handed in my exam paper and left the classroom in tears. I hope nobody saw me. But how can I apologize to my teacher for cheating? I have no idea, dear diary. I am a fool!

26 November 2016

When I read my diary, I found this entry and felt ashamed again. What a big mistake! I wish I hadn't cheated in that exam. I wish I hadn't made that wrong decision. That event changed the course of my educational life. I had loved Math a lot before but unfortunately, I couldn't talk to my teacher about that mistake. _____. My grades were still good but I could never look at my teacher's face again, so I chose another field to study at university. I wish somebody had warned me about the consequences. I wish I had had the worst grade from Math but hadn't cheated in that exam! _____ That's all water under the bridge now, but one thing is still the same: my feelings about that shame!

B. Answer the following questions about Jennifer.

1. Why did Jennifer decide to cheat?
2. Do you think it was a reasonable decision? Why? / Why not?
3. When do you think she realized her mistake?
4. How did that event change her life?
5. Do you think her life could have been different if that event hadn't happened?
6. How would you have behaved if you had been in her shoes?
7. Write two more wishes for Jennifer:

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