

## How to understand a new concept through reading passage?

### Learning Activity:

Read the following passage and complete the tasks given below.

Hi Lucia

How are you? It was so nice to meet you last week in Sydney at the sales meeting. How was the rest of your trip? Did you see any kangaroos? I hope you got home to Mexico City OK. Anyway, I have the documents about the new Berlin offices. We're going to be open in three months. I moved here from London just last week. They are very nice offices, and the location is perfect. There are lots of restaurants, cafés and banks in the area. There's also public transport; we are next to a U-Bahn (that is the name for the metro here). Maybe you can come and see them one day? I would love to show you Berlin, especially in the winter. You said you have never seen snow – you will see lots here!

Here's a photo of you and me at the restaurant in Sydney. That was a very fun night!

Remember the singing Englishman? Crazy! Please send me any other photos you have of that night. Good memories.

Please give me your email address and I will send you the documents.

Bye for now

- Mikel

### Task 1 - Match the following

Group A- Places	(Ans)	Group B- Sentences
1. Berlin	<b>b</b>	a. Mikel and Lucia met here.
2. London	<b>c</b>	b. Mikel's new offices are here.
3. Mexico City	<b>d</b>	c. Mikel used to live here.
4. Sydney	<b>a</b>	d. Lucia lives here.

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**Task 2-** State whether the sentences are true or false

1. Mikel and Lucia were friends from school.

Ans: **False**

2. They work for a company that sells things.

Ans: **True**

3. The new offices are in a very good location.

Ans: **True**

4. There is a metro next to the offices.

Ans: **True**

Solved Activity / Demo:

Read the following passage and complete the tasks given below.

The young seagull was alone on his ledge. His two brothers and his sister had already flown away the day before. He had been afraid to fly with them. Somehow when he had taken a little run forward to the brink of the ledge and attempted to flap his wings he became afraid. The great expanse of sea stretched down beneath, and it was such a long way down – miles down. He felt certain that his wings would never support him; so he bent his head and ran away back to the little hole under the ledge where he slept at night. Even when each of his brothers and his little sister, whose wings were far shorter than his own, ran to the brink, flapped their wings, and flew away, he failed to muster up courage to take that plunge which appeared to him so desperate. His father and mother had come around calling to him shrilly, upbraiding him, threatening to let him starve on his ledge unless he flew away. But for the life of him he could not move.

### Task 1- Match the following

A group	B group
1. Shrilly	i) Scolding
2. upbraiding	ii) loudly

**Ans.- 1. shrilly- loudly      2. upbraiding- scolding**

### Task 2- State whether the sentences are true or false

1. The young seagull was not confident about the ability of his wings- **True**

2. The siblings of the seagull had longer winged than the seagull. - **False**

#### Parallel Activity:

**Read the following passage and complete the tasks given below.**

Hi Samia, Quick email to say that sounds like a great idea. Saturday is better for me because I'm meeting my parents on Sunday. So, if that's still good for you, why don't you come here? Then you can see the new flat and all the work we've done on the kitchen since we moved in. We can eat at home and then go for a walk in the afternoon. It's going to be so good to catch up finally. I want to hear all about your new job! Our address is 52 Charles Road, but it's a bit difficult to find because the house numbers are really strange here. If you turn left at the post office and keep going past the big white house on Charles Road, there's a small side street behind it with the houses 50-56 in. Don't ask me why the side street doesn't have a different name! But call me if you get lost and I'll come and get you.

Let me know if there's anything you do/don't like to eat. Really looking forward to seeing you! See you soon!

*Task1: Match the following*

1. That sounds like (b) a. to eat
2. there's anything you do/don't (a) b. a good idea
3. Keep going past the (f) c. get lost
4. House numbers are really (e) d. seeing you
5. Call me if you (c) e. strange
6. Looking forward to (d) f. big white house

*Task2- State sentences true/ false.*

1. Samia and Gregor are going to meet on Saturday. (True)
2. Gregor is going to make lunch. (false)
3. They haven't seen each other for a long time. (True)
4. Samia's life hasn't changed since they last met. (false)

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