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Test N° 2

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Reverse culture shock can hit you with full force pretty soon after you arrive home from an adventurous life overseas. But it can also creep up on you piecemeal – little by little showing you the differences between your new self and your old friends, relatives and countrymen. You've grown and changed so much on your travels; you've lived in a foreign place where almost every day became an adventure. And



then, once home, suddenly it feels like you're stuck in a pool of quicksand. Cat Holladay, of *The Compass is Calling*, and her whole family went through this process of reverse culture shock. However, they took drastic (but amazing) measures to overcome <u>its</u> impact.

When we moved to Finland in January 2017 for work, we represented the typical American family from an immensely competitive society where they had endeavored to live "the dream". But that dream was always another day, year, paycheck away. No matter how hard we worked or how many times we achieved our goals for the year, there



was always something else to strive for. Working 60-hour weeks was the norm and packed schedules a routine. Finland was a refreshing change of pace. Since <u>then</u> and for the first time in our lives, we were able to slow down and relax, enjoying the moment rather than living for what could be around the corner. We were more productive in less time and happier as a result. We travelled, worked, made friends and connected with our surroundings in meaningful ways.'

- 'Returning to the United States, our home, was a difficult transition. We jumped right back into our old habits. But something had changed inside us. We no longer enjoyed the monotonous regularity of being overworked. We couldn't keep up with our overburdened schedules
 - and lacked quality family time. We felt out of place and even depressed. What had seemed normal <u>here</u> before no longer held any appeal at all. In short, we were experiencing reverse culture shock.'
- 'This feeling was so overwhelming that we took some measures. After being home just three months, we decided to sell everything we owned, quit our jobs, pull our son out of preschool, buy a motor home so as to travel for a year and reconnect with our native country. No schedule, no commitments. Just living our life and finding our place in America. We have no idea exactly what the future holds, and that's OK. We've already made progress in falling back in love with our home country. We've also decided that the typical American Dream is no longer our life goal ... and that's OK, too.'

| I | COMPREHENSION (15 POINTS) {BASE ALL YOUR ANSWERS ON THE TEXT} |
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| A | Are these sentences TRUE or FALSE? JUSTIFY your answers. (3 pts) |
| 1 | It was easy for Cat and her family to overcome reverse culture shock. |
| 2 | Cat and her husband were unable to realise their dream in the USA. |
| 3 | It took Cat and her family a long time after their return to their home country to realize that they are under the effect of reverse culture shock. |
| В | Answer these questions. (3 pts) |
| 1 | How do people realize that they are undergoing reverse culture shock? |
| 2 | Why did Cat and her family feel miserable when they returned to the USA? |
| 3 | What have Cat and her family realized after trying to overcome reverse culture shock in the USA? |
| С | Find in the text words or expressions that mean the same as the following. (3 pts) |
| 1 | tried (para 2) |
| 2 | charm (para 3) |
| 3 | tremendous (para 4) |
| D | What do the underlined words in the text refer to? (3 pts) |
| 1 | <u>its</u> (para 1) |
| 2 | <u>then</u> (para 2) |
| 2 | <u>here</u> (para 3) |
| E | Complete the following sentences. (3 pts) |
| 1 | When Cat and her family moved to Finland they were happier due to |
| 2 | When they returned to the USA, they realised that something had changed inside them despite |
| | [paragraph 3 |
| 3 | They decided to sell everything, leave their jobs and buy a motor home in order that |

[paragraph 4]

II LANGUAGE (15 POINTS)

| Choose the | correct answer. | (2 pts) | | | |
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| You can | | you | r friend from Fran | ce for the night. | |
| a put up | | b | put on | C | find out |
| Isobel, | | broth | er he was, had he | eard the joke befor | re. |
| a whom | | b | who | c | whose |
| I'll never forge | et | | this piece of m | usic for the first tin | ne. |
| a to hear | | b | hearing | С | hear |
| They ought to |) | | What a pity the | y didn't. | |
| a apologi | ize | b | had apologized | l c | have apologized |
| Put the verb | s between braci | kets into the | correct tense. (| 3 pts) | |
| minutes ago, | when we (1 reac | h) | | the car park abou | ut two miles from the wa |
| l it (² already / s | start) | | | raining. So the wa | alk up (³ be) |
| pretty | unpleasant so fa | r. | | | |
| Correct the I | mistakes in the | following. (2 | ? pts) | | |
| The local peo | ople are very (hos | pitality) | | to stran | gers. |
| She has show | vn great (strong) | | | of character. | |
| Fill in each b | olank with the m | ost appropr | iate word. (3 pts |) | |
| sources | origin | living | income | sensitized | aware |
| She earns a | | as a | part-time secreta | ıry. | |
| People are be | ecoming more | | to the | dangers threatenin | ng the environment. |
| The governm | ent needs to inve | est more in re | enewable | | of energy. |
| Rewrite the t | following senter | nces as sug | gested. (3 pts) | | |
| A robber has | broken the windo | ows of the ho | ouse. | | |
| The windows | of the house | | | | |
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| They not only Besides Write approx You are in a h | r give help and su priate responses | to the follo hot water in | owing situations. the shower. | (2 pts) | |
| They not only Besides Write approp You are in a h You (Complain | oriate responses notel. There is noted in to the manger | hot water in | owing situations. the shower. | (2 pts) | |
| | You can a put up Isobel, a whom I'll never forgong a to hear They ought to a apolog Put the verbon minutes ago, I it (2 already / some pretty) Correct the Interpret The Iocal people are beong to the government of the government of the government of the windows At this rate whom the windows At this rate whom the government of the government of the windows At this rate whom the windows At this rate whom the government of the government of the government of the government of the windows At this rate whom the government of the g | You can | a put up b Isobel, broth a whom b I'll never forget b a to hear b They ought to a apologize b Put the verbs between brackets into the or minutes ago, when we (1 reach) b It (2 already / start) pretty unpleasant so far. Correct the mistakes in the following. (2) The local people are very (hospitality) bhe has shown great (strong) Fill in each blank with the most appropriate sources origin living She earns a as a people are becoming more The government needs to invest more in respectively appleasant so far. Rewrite the following sentences as suggested as broken the windows of the house at this rate we'll spend all the money in a year. | You can | You can your friend from France for the night. a put up b put on collisobel, brother he was, had heard the joke before a whom b who collist piece of music for the first time a to hear b hearing collision applied by had apologized b had apologized collist (2 already / start) raining. So the was pretty unpleasant so far. Correct the mistakes in the following. (2 pts) The local people are very (hospitality) to stranshe has shown great (strong) of character. Fill in each blank with the most appropriate word. (3 pts) Sources origin living income sensitized sensitized search as a sa part-time secretary. People are becoming more to the dangers threatening The government needs to invest more in renewable. Rewrite the following sentences as suggested. (3 pts) A robber has broken the windows of the house. The windows of the house At this rate we'll spend all the money in a year. |

III WRITING (10 POINTS)

| Managing our time | can be of major benefit to us. For example, it |
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| SK 2: (6 pts) | You have received the following email from your e-pal, Robert. |
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| bout Morocco and the uct to observe there a tc anything that will heerio. | e dispatched to work in Morocco for an extended period of time. The problem is that I don't know much Moroccan culture. So, I'd be immensely thankful if you could send me details about the proper code of cors well as the dress code. I'd also like to know about interesting places to visit, typical Moroccan food to trimake my stay enjoyable. |
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