

### Reading Part 3

Read the four texts. Which text gives you the answer to each question? Choose the correct text (A-D) for each question.

**A**

This Christmas spread the cheer at the City Mall! This year do your shopping at special holiday bargain prices in any of our 36 luxury shops.

But that's not all! Santa Claus and his helpers will keep your little ones busy in our custom-designed Santa's workshop while you are picking out your gifts. Tired from all that shopping? Just lie back and sip your cappuccino at one of the cafes while the kids are busy at crafting, listening to Christmas stories or singing Christmas carols. Has your little girl got her heart set on that special something? You're sure to find it here. Just let our shop assistants know and Santa himself will hand deliver it to her beautifully gift-wrapped. Don't miss out on a great shopping experience this Christmas at the City Mall!

**B**

Do you remember that not-so-long-ago time when you believed in Santa Claus? The joy and anticipation every Christmas morning waiting to unwrap the gifts he had left under the tree? And that tiny bit of fear because deep down inside you knew you hadn't always been such a good lad? Well it seems that in these days of over-consumerism the jolly old fellow and his reindeer are going out of fashion. Psychologists are warning parents that buying their children more and more toys every time they feel guilty about not spending enough time with them, is taking the joy out of giving and receiving gifts, leaving young children unable to appreciate the special meaning of days such as Christmas. So parents take heed! Next time your five-year-old is throwing a tantrum give him what he really wants – your love and undivided attention.

**C**

Dear Santa,  
I've been a really good girl. I listen to my mummy and help her with the chores every day. So my mummy said that you would bring me anything I want for Christmas. The truth is I have lots of toys, but our teacher told us today that there are children in the world who won't celebrate Christmas because they are poor and can't afford to buy toys and sweets. They don't even have a Christmas tree! Can you believe that? So Santa, instead of bringing me another dolly could you please do me a big favour? Bring Christmas to those children and give them my presents. I'll get lots of other presents from my aunts and uncles and grandparents. Thank you Santa. You're the best!  
I love you,  
Jane

**D**

**Santa Behind Bars!**  
Police officers arrested a man in a Santa suit early this morning after receiving a call. Four-year-old Andrew was awoken by a noise only to come face-to-face with Santa Claus. As his parents had taught him, he pressed speed dial and alerted the police. The perpetrator was carrying a heavy bag but when the officers opened it, it wasn't full of toys! The man confessed to breaking into several houses this Christmas Eve. He said the suit was the perfect disguise. If one of the children should happen to be woken up by the noise he would just say he was Santa coming to leave gifts. But children it seems are not so naive nowadays. The unemployed father of three said that all he wanted was to give his children a proper Christmas dinner. Instead he will now be having Christmas dinner in prison.

**In which text does the writer:**

1. refer to school work?
2. report an incident?
3. try to persuade people to do something?


**Which text is saying the following?**

4. Children are not so innocent as they used to be.
5. Gifts are often given for selfish reasons.
6. Holidays are often just about consuming material goods.
7. Giving is often better than receiving.
