SEMESTER II 5th Form

READING TEST

1. Read the text.

Once upon a time there was a man who had often travelled to foreign lands, and on returning to his own country boasted very much of the many wonderful and heroic acts he had performed in different places he had visited.

Among other thing, he said that when he was at Rhodes he had leaped to such a distance that no man of his day could leap anywhere near him as to that, there were many persons in Rhodes who saw how he did it and whom he could call as witnesses. However, one of the people who were standing by, interrupted him saying "Now, my good man, if this all be true there is no need of witnesses. Suppose this to be Rhodes, and leap for us". The man felt ashamed and confused as he certainly couldn't do that.

And the people around said "He who does a thing well does not need to boast".

boast- вихвалятися
Rhodes - Родос
leap - стрибати
witness — свідок, очевидець
interrupt — переривати, перепиняти
habit - звичка
ashame - соромитися
confuse - відчувати незручність

2. Put the sentences into the correct order.

- 1) He claimed there were some witnesses of his leap.
- 2) The man was ashamed.
- 3) One of the listeners told him to repeat his leap.
- 4) The man visited Rhodes.
- 5) Once there lived a boastful traveller.

3. Choose the correct variant to complete the sentences.

- 1) The text tells about ...
 - a) A boastful man
 - b) A brave and heroic person
 - c) Rhodes places of interest
- 2) The man in the story boasted about....
 - a) His great talents
 - b) Wonderful things he had seen
 - c) Good friends he had made
- 3) According to the man's words, ...in Rhodes.
 - a) There was a competition in leaping
 - b) All the people can leap well
 - c) He managed to jump really far
- 4) One of the people who were standing by,....
 - a) Asked him to repeat his leap
 - b) Started boasting about his sport achievements
 - c) Broke the man's record

4. Write short answers to the questions.

- 1) What was bad habit of the traveller?
- 2) Where did the competition taken place?
- 3) What did the traveller feel at the end of a story?