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Part ONE: Reading

(15 pts)

A) Comprehension:

Read the text carefully then do the activities.

A volcano in Iceland erupted on Thursday, February 8th, 2024, marking the sixth outbreak on the southwestern Reykjanes peninsula since 2021. The eruption sent lava shooting up to 80 meters into the air, visible against the dark night sky. The country's meteorological office issued a warning about the eruption. **It** added that an intense earthquake activity began around 5:30 a.m. and the outbreak itself started some 30 minutes later

The eruptive fissure, roughly 3 kilometers long, was in the same location as a previous eruption in December. While the eruption posed no direct threat to the nearby town, **it** could affect roads, a power plant, and the Blue Lagoon geothermal spa. These eruptions, known as fissure eruptions, do not usually result in large explosions or significant production of ash dispersed into the stratosphere.

Despite ongoing volcanic activity, the airport remained open and operational. Icelandic authorities, in November, started building barriers that can help divert lava flows away from homes and critical infrastructure. The threat level of the volcanic system has been downgraded, but the local authorities have warned of further eruptions.

Adapted from CNN website.

1. Circle the letter that corresponds to the right answer.

-The aim of the text is: a. to describe. b. to inform. c. to narrate.

2. Say whether the following statements are true or false.

- The airport was closed due to the continuing volcanic activity.
- Fissure eruptions usually result in large explosions and significant production of ash.
- The threat level of the volcanic system has been upgraded by local authorities.

3. Answer the following questions according to the text.

a. How many eruptions have occurred on the southwestern Reykjanes peninsula since 2021?

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b. Did the recent eruption pose a direct threat to the adjacent town?

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c. What did Icelandic authorities start building after the recent eruption? Why?

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4. Who or what do the underlined words refer to in the text?

a. it (§1) → b. it (§2) →

5. In which paragraph is it mentioned that:

a. The recent volcanic eruption was preceded by a powerful earthquake.

b. The authorities started to make measures to redirect lava flows from infrastructures.

B) Text exploration:

1. Find in the text words, phrases or expressions **closest** in meaning to the following.

a. strong (§1) =

b. reduced (§3) =

2. Find in the text words, phrases or expressions **opposite** in meaning to the following.

a. distant (§2) ≠.....

b. small (§2) ≠.....

3. Complete the chart as shown in the example.

	VERB	NOUN	ADJECTIVE
Example	To build	Building	Built
	To evacuate
	Operational
	Threat

4. Rewrite sentence " b" so that it means the same as sentence "a".

1) a- The threat level of the volcanic system has been downgraded by the local authorities.

b- The local authorities

2) a- The meteorological office added that an intense earthquake activity began around 5:30 a.m.

b- The meteorological office added:

5. Fill in the gaps with only four words from the following list.

(volunteers – crisis - peace - humanitarian - homeless – help)

The Red Crescent and The Red Cross are organizations. They provide in case of disasters. Thousands of uniformed give care to the injured and people.

6. Classify the following words according to the number of their syllables.

operational - location - building – earthquake

1 syllable	2 syllables	3 syllables	4 syllables	5 syllables
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Part two: Written Expression

(05 pts)

Choose **ONE** of the topics only.

Topic 1: You have been a witness of an accident. Using the following notes, write a short composition about what happened exactly:

- When and where did it happen.
- Were there any victims.
- How did you react.
- Share your feelings about your contribution.

Topic 2: Do you think that young people do something to help in case of disasters. Give concrete examples.

Good luck