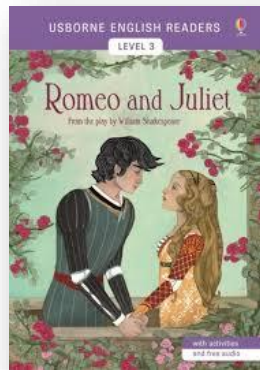


EXERCISES

1. Imagine you have been reading a blog where people write about their favourite forms of entertainment (shows, films, songs, books, etc.), and why they like them.

Monday, October 17, 2011 My favourite play is Romeo and Juliet by William Shakespeare. It is about a young couple who fall in love and want to be together but their parents disagree. The play shows how their happiness is destroyed by their parents' stupidity. I think the story is great and the language of the play is very beautiful. It is a sad play but there are very beautiful moments in it, too, especially the scene where the two lovers meet. It's a brilliant play.



1. Imagine that a famous author is coming to your town to promote his new children's story book. Write an announcement (100 words) for your school newspaper informing your schoolmates about the event and urging them to go. The hints below will help you.

Where and when the author will appear

What the author will do at this event

What other activities will take place

What prizes will be given away

2. Write what your favourite children's story is about and why you like it (80 words). The model below will help you to write your own text.

3. Read the text below and choose the best answer (A, B, or C) for item 1.

1. The text gives information about

A. the most famous skyscrapers in the world today.

B. the people who designed skyscrapers.

C. why skyscrapers were needed.

The first skyscrapers The term 'skyscraper' has been used in a number of ways over the years: an ornament on the top of a building, a high-flying bird, a very tall man and a sail at

a	To spend time relaxing or sleeping	d	To arrive somewhere
b	To travel	e	To become less bright
c	To go from one side of something to another	f	To have a small meal

The first swallow of summer During March and April, the first of our summer visitors **(7) reach** Greece. Arriving to feast on insects of summer, millions of birds cross the Mediterranean. One of the most familiar is the swallow. Let's look at what these much-loved visitors have been doing since we last saw them in October.

In comparison to other migrants, like swifts, swallows are relatively slow travellers. They **(8) move** by day and the fact that they catch their food in the air means they can **(9) snack** on the way. This is a great advantage over other migrants that have to reach rich feeding areas a long distance away before they can eat.

I remember watching thousands of swallows coming in to **(10) rest** at Lake Koronia in northern Greece, one September. As the light faded the air was full of wheeling birds, all onto the reeds below.

Normally, most birds will travel between 100 and 200 kilometres a day for a couple of months and more. But swallows travel south, **(11) crossing** the Mediterranean and the Sahara Desert, in one flight.