

Reading

K. Read the text and for questions (1-5) choose the correct answer (A, B or C).

Eyewitness to an Avalanche

On 31 May, 1970, the largest earthquake to ever hit Peru shook the ground for 45 seconds. Buildings and bridges collapsed, but no one expected another terrible event to follow what had just happened. The earthquake had sent snow and ice falling down Mount Huascarán – it was an avalanche. Jacobo Hijo was not in the path of the avalanche, but he was an eyewitness. Here is what he wrote in his journal about that day...

I was on my way home to Yungay when I felt the ground start to shake. The earthquake lasted about a minute, and luckily I wasn't injured. Soon after, I heard a loud roaring sound. I looked over at Mount Huascarán and saw a giant mass of snow going down the side of the mountain – right toward Yungay below! It was moving so quickly! I ran and climbed up a big tree cause I felt very frightened. The avalanche was 910



metres wide and 1.6 kilometres long, and it rushed down the mountain at over 280 kilometres per hour! A few minutes after the roaring stopped, I climbed down from the tree and looked out over Yungay. I was relieved to be alive but I couldn't believe what I saw. Snow and ice had completely covered the whole town! It was a terrible tragedy.

- 1 After the earthquake, what did the people **NOT** realise?
 - A that the ground shook for a long time
 - B that an avalanche was about to hit
 - C that buildings had collapsed
- 2 What was Hijo doing at the time of the earthquake?
 - A He was heading back to his town.
 - B He was writing in his journal.
 - C He was looking at Mount Huascarán.
- 3 Hijo climbed up a big tree because of the
 - A earthquake.
 - B loud sound.
 - C avalanche.
- 4 How did Hijo feel when he saw his hometown covered in ice?
 - A shocked
 - B frustrated
 - C relieved
- 5 The main purpose of the text is to
 - A talk about what causes an avalanche.
 - B give tips on how to survive an avalanche.
 - C describe a person's experience.

5 x 2 = 10 marks

Test 2B (Module 2)

Listening

M. You will hear an interview with a girl called Melanie Fox. For questions 1-5, choose the correct answer (A, B or C).

- 1 What does Melanie say about York?
A She had never been there before.
B She goes there a lot.
C Some of her family lives there.
- 2 Melanie says that York floods because
A it has a lot of heavy showers.
B it is in the north of England.
C there are two rivers nearby.
- 3 What was Melanie doing when the flood happened?
A She was eating a meal.
B She was watching TV.
C She was sleeping.
- 4 What worried Melanie most about the floodwaters?
A They weren't clean.
B They moved fast.
C They were deep.
- 5 How does Melanie say she feels now?
A She is sad because she didn't enjoy her holiday.
B She is happy that the rescue team helped them.
C She is anxious about her next holiday.

5 x 2 = 10 marks