



DOMAINE 1 :

Comprendre, s'exprimer en utilisant une langue étrangère.

Lire et comprendre l'écrit

Identifier l'information pertinente sur la plupart des écrits descriptifs simples. **A2**
Comprendre un récit portant sur un sujet en lien avec le programme ou renvoyant à une situation familière et connue. **B1**

WALL STREET KING GOES GREEN

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Pomfret, CT – Richard Polson used to drive a large S.U.V.¹ to the city every day. He used to be the perfect businessman, making big money. He used to spend his life between Wall Street and all the major cities in the world, spending more time on planes than with his family. Until one day something changed his life forever.

For years, Richard had lived this crazy life. But one day, on a trip out West, fascinated by the magic of Nature, he understood that his life was meaningless. It was just about money, about buying and selling. So he decided to leave the financial world and go back to a simple life. Richard, his wife Sheril and their two children moved to Pomfret, a little town in Connecticut. There, they rediscovered nature.

"You know, before we moved here, I used to spend hours in traffic every

15 morning, I used to spend my life in a polluted environment! I used to be so stressed! Everything is so different now! I am not stressed anymore! We didn't use to enjoy life so much!"

20 The family has sold their large apartment and has decided to build an environmentally friendly house. They have installed solar panels on the roof, a rainwater tank² and a large fireplace.

25 They have chosen excellent insulation to reduce their energy consumption. "This is the home of the future, respectful of the environment", Richard's wife said. The Polsons have become recycling

30 champions! They recycle paper, glass, aluminum cans, batteries etc... They have sold their SUV and have bought a hybrid car. And Richard has become an excellent gardener too; and all his vegetables are organic. "The rainwater tank is so useful! We can water the



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garden for free! We save the planet, and we save money!", Richard's wife said.

Richard still works for Wall Street but mostly on the internet; he doesn't work ninety hours a week anymore. Richard used to live in a world where only money was important. "I know now that a life respectful of people and of the planet is priceless", Richard proudly declared.

Adapted from Time Magazine

- 1. a S.U.V. – Sport Utility Vehicle (+ x +)
- 2. un réservoir à eau de pluie

A) Réponds en français à ces questions (sauf pour la question 2).

1) Quelle est la nature du document ?

2) Quel est le titre du document ? (en anglais)

3) Quand a-t-il été publié ?

4) D'où est extrait ce document (source) ?

5) Quel est le sujet de ce document ?

6) Donne une liste des personnages dont le document fait référence.

7) Donne trois éléments qui caractérisaient la vie du personnage principal autrefois.

8) Donne une description de leur nouvelle maison (3 éléments).

9) Quelles contributions cette famille apporte-t-elle à l'environnement ?

B) Dis si ces affirmations sont vraies ou fausses puis justifie par une phrase du texte (en anglais).

1) The family's house in Pomfret does not respect the environment. RIGHT / WRONG
Justify :

2) The family still buys their vegetable in a supermarket. RIGHT / WRONG
Justify :

3) The family likes their lives now. RIGHT / WRONG
Justify :

4) The man doesn't work for Wall Street anymore. RIGHT / WRONG
Justify :

5) The family still uses too much water. RIGHT / WRONG
Justify :

Think for yourself

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Used to

a Observe les phrases suivantes.

1. I used to be so stressed.
2. Everything is different now!
3. I'm not stressed anymore.
4. We didn't use to enjoy life so much.

- Les phrases et qui parlent de la situation présente.
- Les phrases et qui parlent de la situation autrefois.

b Complète.

- Pour parler d'une situation passée par contraste avec la situation présente j'utilise la forme (affirmative) ou (négative).