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Man crosses rough sea on jet ski for love

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Please try Levels 0, 1 and 3. They are (a little) harder.

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THE READING

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A man broke lockdown rules to be with his girlfriend. Dale McLaughlan, 28, wanted to see his love Jessica Radcliffe. He was in lockdown in Scotland. She was 43 kilometres away on a small island in the Irish Sea. Dale decided he had to see Jessica. He bought a jet ski for \$10,800 and rode it across the sea. He didn't know how dangerous this would be. The sea was very rough. A huge wave washed away his GPS. He thought it would take 45 minutes to get to the island, but it took over four hours. For most of that time, he thought he was lost. He had no idea where he was.

The police arrested Dale. A court gave him four weeks in prison for breaking lockdown. He said his adventure was worth it. He risked his life to see Jessica. He described his experience. He said: "The first time I stood on a jet ski was in that harbour....I thought, 'Oh my God'. It was terrible. It wasn't fun. I followed the GPS, but after half an hour a massive wave wiped it away. I didn't have a clue where I was going. I thought I was lost....I was so scared." He added: "I broke the law, but I did it for love....It could be called a crime of passion." Jessica loves Dale and wants to marry him.

Sources: <https://nypost.com/2021/01/03/jet-ski-romeo-felt-like-crappy-james-bond-on-ride-across-irish-sea/>
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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|---------------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. A man broke lockdown | a. he was |
| 2. She was 43 kilometres away | b. to see Jessica |
| 3. Dale decided he had | c. rough |
| 4. He didn't know how dangerous | d. thought he was lost |
| 5. The sea was very | e. this would be |
| 6. A huge wave washed | f. rules |
| 7. For most of that time, he | g. away his GPS |
| 8. He had no idea where | h. on a small island |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|---------------------------------|-----------------|
| 1. A court gave him four weeks | a. of passion |
| 2. He said his adventure | b. see Jessica |
| 3. He risked his life to | c. to marry him |
| 4. He described his | d. for love |
| 5. a massive wave wiped | e. in prison |
| 6. I did it | f. it away |
| 7. It could be called a crime | g. was worth it |
| 8. Jessica loves Dale and wants | h. experience |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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A man broke lockdown (1) _____ with his girlfriend. Dale McLaughlan, 28, wanted to (2) _____ Jessica Radcliffe. He was in lockdown in Scotland. She was 43 kilometres away on a small island in the Irish Sea. Dale (3) _____ to see Jessica. He bought a jet ski for \$10,800 and rode it across the sea. He didn't know how dangerous (4) _____. The sea was very rough. A huge (5) _____ his GPS. He thought it would take 45 minutes to get to the island, but it took over four hours. For most of that time, he thought he was lost. He had (6) _____ he was.

The police arrested Dale. A court gave him four weeks (7) _____ breaking lockdown. He said his adventure was worth it. He (8) _____ to see Jessica. He described his experience. He said: "The first (9) _____ on a jet ski was in that harbour....I thought, 'Oh my God'. (10) _____. It wasn't fun. I followed the GPS, but after half an hour a massive wave wiped it away. I didn't (11) _____ where I was going. I thought I was lost....I was so scared." He added: "I broke the law, but I did it for love....It could be (12) _____ of passion." Jessica loves Dale and wants to marry him.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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LOVE SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about love in the table. Do this in pairs. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper. When you have finished, interview other students. Write down their answers.

	STUDENT 1 _____	STUDENT 2 _____	STUDENT 3 _____
Q.1.			
Q.2.			
Q.3.			
Q.4.			
Q.5.			

- Now return to your original partner and share and talk about what you found out. Change partners often.
- Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.

WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student A: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) _____

b) _____

c) _____

d) _____

e) _____

f) _____

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WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student B: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) _____

b) _____

c) _____

d) _____

e) _____

f) _____

