

Life/ Levels 5-6

Reading comprehension

Read the article (Return to River Town) and choose the correct option.

1 The town of Fuling...

- a has been transformed by the Three Gorges Dam.
- b was built at the same time as the Three Gorges Dam.
- c was destroyed by the Three Gorges Dam.

2 Peter Hessler describes...

- a the construction of the Three Gorges Dam.
- b the contrasts he finds on his visit to Fuling.
- c what it is like to work as a teacher in China.

3 Peter Hessler discovers that...

- a everyone he knew has moved away from the area.
- b hardly anyone has the same life they used to.
- c most people are unhappy with the changes they have seen.

Read the article again and choose the correct option.

4 Huang Dejian is the director of...

- a a highly unusual museum.
- b a museum in the center of the city.
- c one of the oldest museums in the area.

5 Peter Hessler...

- a and Huang Dejian have recently met.
- b hasn't seen Huang Dejian for several years.

- c was Huang Dejian's teacher several years ago.

6 When Peter lived in Fuling...

- a he used to go to Chongqing for lunch.
- b he was the only foreign visitor most people had seen.
- c there were no cars in the town.

7 Peter's students...

- a explained Chinese traditions to him.
- b had lives which were very different to the lives of their parents.
- c weren't able to change their lives because they were poor.

8 After Peter's students left college...

- a some of them left the area.
- b they returned home to teach.
- c they stayed in Fuling city to work.

9 What does Peter say about his old students?

- a They are interested in the American way of life.
- b They don't agree with the changes that have happened in China.
- c They think a lot about how life is changing in their country.

10 What does Peter say about the two fishermen?

- a He expected them to have different lives.
- b The dam has affected them as much as everyone else in Fuling.
- c Their lives are better than before.