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You have found an interesting travel blog entry. Read the entry.

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K-drama adventure day 1: Nami Island

① Something on any K-drama fan's bucket list is visiting all the famous K-drama filming locations! My best friend Alice and I embarked on this pilgrimage last week. We journeyed to Gapyeong, a region of spectacular natural beauty. We took a train from Seoul Station to Gapyeong Station which took a gruelling two hours! The train was packed with tourists and locals alike, so we didn't manage to get a seat... ☹️

② Once we arrived at Gapyeong, we immediately bought a City Tour Bus ticket. Anyone visiting Gapyeong should invest in one! With this, you can get on and off the bus an unlimited number of times on the same day, and the bus travels to all the major tourist attractions in Gapyeong.

③ Key filming location for *Winter Sonata* Nami Island was our first stop. *Winter Sonata* is world-famous and one of the first K-dramas I ever saw as it is my mother's most beloved series! Nobody would disagree that this classic K-drama put Korea on the map. It kicked off the 'Korean Wave' around the world! We decided to make our arrival on the island an adventure by zip-lining instead of taking the ferry. I sat in the harness dangling from a cable 80 metres above the ground and zipped across the harbour! It was so exhilarating and gave me such an adrenaline rush!



Zip-lining is definitely the way to go!

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④ Once on the island, we rented some bicycles and planned to go around the perimeter of the island. This plan fell through, though, because there was an overabundance of stunning scenic spots everywhere, so we kept dismounting to take pictures and quickly ran out of rental time! 😊



No visit to Nami Island is complete without paying a visit to the famous *Winter Sonata* statue.

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⑤ However, it was very relaxing to just leisurely ride along the magnificent tree paths and impressive theme gardens. We also spotted many adorable squirrels chattering happily and chasing each other in the trees. They were not the only wildlife there though, as there were also ostriches roaming around! One of these mischievous birds kept trying to steal my food! In addition, being a pet-friendly place, many people brought their beloved pooches along with them. Alice and I are avid animal lovers, so we were over the moon when some of the dog owners let us play with their pets! Some of them were distracted by the cute rodents and big birds though.

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⑥ About two hours into our visit, both of us were famished, so we went to seek a bite to eat. There were numerous cafes and restaurants on the island and we eventually settled on a rather unique little cafe called Yeonga Jiga that served traditional Korean *dosirak* lunchboxes. The lunches were served in scalding hot metal lunchboxes. Before eating, you had to don a pair of thick gloves and give your lunchbox a nice shake first. It was great fun! Who says you can't play with your food? 😊

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⑦ After lunch, we strolled around Nami Island for another hour before heading for our next stop: Petite France, which was built to resemble a quaint little French village. It looks like a place straight out of a fairytale! Read about it in my next post!

Posted at 18.05

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Challenging reading and comprehension

Unit 1

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Comprehension 3 *Your sister wants to know more about the travel blog entry. Answer her questions using information from the travel blog entry. For multiple-choice questions, choose the best answer and blacken ONE circle only.*

1 Complete the sentence below.

The blogger and her friend chose to visit Korea because _____

2 What does 'this' (line 10) refer to?

3 Why does the blogger recommend getting a City Tour Bus ticket?

4 Find words or expressions in paragraphs 1 and 2 that have similar meanings to the following:

i) things to do before you die _____

ii) a journey to a place or places connected with
something you like _____

iii) exhausting _____

iv) set off on a journey _____



5 According to the blog entry, why is Nami Island famous?

6 Find an expression in paragraph 3 that means 'made Korea popular or famous'.

7 According to the blog entry, what are TWO ways people can get to Nami Island?

i) _____

ii) _____

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- 8** Did the blogger enjoy zip-lining? Give evidence from the blog entry to explain your answer.

- 9** What does 'this plan' refer to in line 24?

- 10** How did the blogger and her friend feel about the dogs they saw on Nami Island?

- 11** What do the following refer to in line 35?

i) cute rodents

ii) big birds

- 12** How many types of animals did the blogger see on Nami Island?

- 13** Complete the following summary about paragraph 5. Use ONE word to complete each blank.

The blogger and her friend cycled _____ along the
 _____ and _____
 on Nami Island. As they did so, they saw _____ high up in the
 trees and _____ walking around. One of these animals
 _____ to take the blogger's food. Apart from wild animals, they
 also saw many dogs because Nami Island has a _____ policy.

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14 What is a *dosirak* lunchbox?

15 According to the blog entry, what is special about Petite France?

16 What does 'it' (line 45) refer to?

17 According to the blog entry, are the following statements True **(T)**, False **(F)** or Not Given **(NG)**?

Statements	T	F	NG
i) The train ride to Gapyeong Station took 60 minutes.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
ii) <i>Winter Sonata</i> is the blogger's favourite K-drama.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
iii) The blogger is probably an adventurous person.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
iv) The blogger is afraid of animals.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>



18 Would you purposely visit filming locations for your favourite films or TV series? Why or why not?
