# Reading comprehension

Read the text below and then answer the questions in English.

## *Un fine settimana tipico*

*Ti piace il fine settimana? A me, sì, moltissimo. Perché? Perché dopo una settimana lunga di lavoro devo riposarmi un po’. Ecco il mio fine settimana tipico.*

*Passo sempre il sabato mattina a casa. Ogni sabato mattina, prima di fare colazione, mio marito si sveglia presto e va a correre nel parco vicino per un’ora. Io mi sveglio tardi, verso le dieci, e faccio subito colazione con mio marito e i miei figli Andrea e Fiorenza. I miei figli preparano una bella colazione, con pane e marmellata, frutta fresca e caffè. Dopo, faccio la doccia e mi vesto. Dalle undici a mezzogiorno leggo un libro sul divano. Mi piace leggere perché è molto rilassante. Mio marito fa il bucato ma non gli piace molto perché è noioso. Andrea passa l’aspirapolvere oppure fa il letto e riordina la sua camera da letto. A mezzogiorno io e mio marito prepariamo il pranzo. Dopo i miei figli vanno a giocare a calcio. Sono molto competitivi e giocano bene. Io, invece, esco sempre per prendere un caffè con mia madre dalle due alle tre. I miei figli tornano a casa verso le diciotto e ceniamo insieme. Il sabato sera o giochiamo a carte o guardiamo la TV insieme per rilassarci.*

*La domenica sono molto impegnata. Spesso vado con gli amici allo stadio a guardare una partita di calcio e dopo andiamo in una pizzeria in città. Secondo me, l’attività fisica è molto importante. Qualche volta la domenica mi piace andare a correre con mio marito o faccio un giro in bici, però non mi piace lo sport di squadra per niente. D’inverno spesso con gli amici facciamo una bella passeggiata in montagna. D’estate preferisco andare alla spiaggia a nuotare. Ma il fine settimana devo anche fare le faccende domestiche quindi domenica sera faccio la spesa. La faccio con mio marito. Non mi piace per niente perché costa sempre moltissimo. La domenica sera ceniamo verso le venti. Passo venti minuti a prepararmi per la settimana e vado a letto alle ventidue.*

## Questions

1. What does the husband do on Saturday mornings before breakfast?

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1. How do Andrea and Fiorenza contribute to the Saturday morning routine?

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1. What does the author do after breakfast and why?

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1. What do the children do on Saturday afternoon?

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1. Why does the author not like grocery shopping on Sunday evening?

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1. Which physical activities does the author not particularly enjoy?

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1. How do the seasons affect the activities the author likes to do on weekends?

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1. What are the main differences between the author’s Saturday and Sunday activities?

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## Answers

1. **He gets up early and goes running in the nearby park for an hour.**
2. **They prepare a nice breakfast with bread, jam, fresh fruit and coffee.**
3. **The author reads on the lounge for an hour because it’s very relaxing.**
4. **They go out to play soccer.**
5. **Because it always costs a lot.**
6. **The author does not enjoy team sports.**
7. **The author likes going for walks with friends in the mountains in winter and going to the beach in summer to swim.**
8. **The author is more active on Sundays than Saturdays. On Saturdays, the morning is spent resting with relaxing activities like reading and having breakfast with the family. In the afternoon, the speaker always goes out to have a coffee with her mother from 2pm until 3pm while the children play soccer, and in the evening, the family relaxes together by playing cards or watching TV. On Sundays, the author often goes to the stadium with friends to watch a game of soccer then goes to a pizzeria in the city. Sometimes in the mornings she likes to go for a run with her husband or a bike ride. Sunday evening is reserved for grocery shopping which she does with her husband and preparing for the upcoming week.**

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