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Leonardo Da Vinci (1452-1519), was one of the greatest painters in history. He was probably born outside the village of Vinci, near Florence in central Italy. The name "Da Vinci" simply means from Vinci where his parents Ser Piero and Caterina were from.



What most impress people today is the wide variety of Leonardo's talents and achievements. He was a painter, but he was involved in many scientific activities such as anatomy, astronomy, botany, geology, geometry, and optic. He was also the designer of many machines and inventions. That's why he is called a universal genius. However, he was not interested in literature or history.

Leonardo was most of all an excellent observer. That's why he was a great painter. His portrait of Mona Lisa is one of the most famous pictures in the world. You cannot visit Louvre in Paris without seeing it. The woman was probably the wife of Francesco Del Giocondo, a rich Florentine merchant. Mona Lisa is a shortened form of Madonna Lisa (my lady, Lisa). The woman is also often called La Gioconda, which is the feminine form of her husband's last name.

COMPREHENSION:

A. Read the article then answer these questions: (4pnts)

1. When and where was Da Vinci born?

2. Where was Mona Lisa's husband exactly from in Italy?

3. What does "Mona Lisa" mean?

4. Why is "Mona Lisa" called "La Gioconda" ?

B. Complete with words from the article: (1pnts)

1. The picture of Mona Lisa still exists in _____ in Paris.

2. _____ was a universal genius.

C. Find the synonyms of these words in the article: (1pnts)

1. Famous (parag 2) _____

2. Painting (parag 3) _____

Vocabulary:

A. Complete the sentences with the correct form of the words in capital: (4pnts)

1. Scientists have recently developed a special _____ to cure the AIDS. (TREAT)
2. What makes _____ between life and death... (Different)
3. The medical care system in the USA is extremely _____ (IMPRESS)
4. The researchers have failed to come up with a _____ to cure this mortal disease. (SOLVE)

B. Complete with the correct word from the box below: (2pnts)

crew	hospital	flight	support
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“Look! This man is severely injured. He must be taken immediately to the nearest _____.”
“But we can’ t because we are in a mountainous area.” “So, we need a helicopter!” “Also, we can’ t afford it because a _____ to the hospital is highly expensive.” “So what can we do?” “Let’ s see our _____ if they can give first-aid _____.”

Language:

A. Join each two sentences using (which / who / where): (4pnts)

1. The hotel has a beautiful garden. We stayed in the hotel.

2. Agatha Christy is a famous detective story writer. She walked into the room.

3. The lawyer said a word. I didn’ t hear it.

4. Did you see Ben? He is in trouble.

B. Fill the gaps with the correct article (A / AN / THE / Ø): (2pnts)

In ¹ _____ island near ² _____ Pacific Ocean lives ³ _____ lonely fisherman. The fisherman is from ⁴ _____ Australia. Yesterday, the local newspaper said that he had died in a mysterious way.

C. Complete with the correct quantifier: (2pnts)

1. There isn’ t _____ sugar left.
 some many any
2. She speaks _____ English.
 a little few many
3. You need to take _____ medicine to recover.
 any some a few
4. Sara is a poor lady. She has only got _____ coins in her pocket.
 many little few

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