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The Sniper *By: Liam O'Flaherty*

The long June twilight faded into night. Dublin lay enveloped in darkness but for the dim light of the moon that shone through fleecy clouds. Around the city the heavy guns roared machine guns and rifles broke the silence of the night. Republicans and Free State soldiers were in the middle of a civil war. On a rooftop near O'Connell Bridge, a Republican sniper lay watching. Beside him lay his rifle and over his shoulders was slung a pair of field glasses. His face was the face of a student, but his eyes had the cold gleam of the fanatic. They were deep and thoughtful, the eyes of a man who is used to looking at death.

Cautiously he raised himself and peered over the roof. There was a flash and a bullet whizzed over his head. He dropped immediately. He had seen the flash. It came from the opposite side of the street. Suddenly from the opposite roof a shot rang out and the sniper dropped his rifle with a curse. He tried to pick the rifle up, but he couldn't lift it. His forearm was dead. "I'm hit," he muttered. Dropping flat onto the roof, he crawled backwards. With his left hand he felt the injured right forearm. The blood was oozing through the sleeve of his coat. There was no pain, but it felt as if the arm had been cut off.

The sniper lay still for a long time nursing his wounded arm and planning escape. The enemy on the opposite roof covered his escape. He must kill that enemy and he could not use his rifle. He had only a revolver to do it. Then he thought of a plan.

Taking off his cap, he placed it over the top of his rifle. Then he pushed the rifle slowly upward over the roof, until the cap was visible from the opposite side of the street. Almost immediately there was a report, and a bullet pierced the center of the cap. The sniper slanted the rifle forward, and the cap clipped down into the street. Then catching the rifle in the middle, the sniper dropped his left hand over the roof and let it hang, lifelessly. After a few moments he let the rifle drop to the street. Then he sank to the roof, dragging his hand with him.

Crawling quickly to his feet, he looked up at the corner of the roof. His trick had succeeded. The other sniper, seeing the cap and rifle fall, thought that he had killed his man. He was now standing up looking across, with his head clearly silhouetted against the western sky. The Republican sniper smiled and lifted his revolver above the edge of the roof. The distance was about fifty yards, and his right arm was hurting him like a thousand devils. He took a steady aim. Pressing his lips together, he took a deep breath and fired. The Republican sniper was instantly killed. He rolled onto the street below.

When the sniper reached the laneway on the street level, he felt a sudden curiosity as to the identity of the enemy sniper whom he had killed. He decided to risk going over to have a look at him. He peered around the corner into O'Connell Street. In the upper part of the street there was heavy firing, but around here all was quiet. The sniper darted across the street. He threw himself face downward beside the corpse. Then the sniper turned over the dead body and looked into his brother's face.

A. Comprehension: (20 pts.)

After reading the story, what do you think the sniper's state of mind would be like after realizing that he had just killed his own brother? Explain.

B. Grammar: (30pts.)

1. Change the active sentences into the passive. (10pts.)

a) The children are playing football in the green court.
b) Jonathan has travelled to China, before he broke his leg.
c) The mother didn't find the lost necklace, and she can't buy a new one.
d) She is finishing the report right now and is going to email it soon.
e) Jane believes that the owner of the house may raise the rent.

2. Change the active sentences into the passive in two ways. (10pts.)

a) The queen awarded the singer Elton John the title Sir.
b) She has cooked a three-course meal for us on Sunday.
c) Jayden is going to offer them a free cruise across the Mediterranean.
d) The mill employee will grind the wheat for the farmers in September.
e) The orchestra conductor had prepared a pleasant surprise for the musicians.

3. Change the active questions into the passive, keep the question word. (10pts.)

a) When does the conductor check the tickets on the train?
b) Where did the murderer carry out his crime?
c) Who has stolen the expensive Chinese vase?
d) How long are we going to wait for the doctor?
e) How far will the Black family live away from the capital?

I believe in you! It's been a pleasure teaching you this year!
Have a great summer!
☺ Mrs. Lilian Hadaya ☺

SE06 Answer Key Class 2 exam

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A. Comprehension: (20pts.)

I think the sniper would regret every minute of joining and being in the army. This is the price of civil war everyone has to pay. When brothers follow different political parties, the outcome becomes quite unpredictable. The sniper was so excited to kill the enemy on the other roof. He didn't anticipate that one day the enemy would turn out to be his own brother. His mind could go through bouts of mental suffering, added to the emotional brokenness that he was the one who ended his brother's life under the name of defending the cause he joined the army for. He wouldn't be the same person again. He'll be haunted by his brother's dead face for a long time, if not for the rest of his life.

B. Grammar Exercises: (30 pts. In total)

1. (10pts. 2 each)

a) Football is being played by the children in the green court.
b) China has been travelled to, before Jonathan's leg was broken.
c) The lost necklace wasn't found by the mother, and a new one can't be bought.
d) The report is being finished right now, and is going to be emailed soon.
e) It is believed that the rent of the house may be raised by the owner.

2. (10 pts. 1 each)

a) The singer Elton John was awarded the title sir by the queen.
b) The title sir was awarded to the singer Elton John by the queen.
c) We have been cooked a three course meal by her on Sunday.
d) A three course meal has been cooked for us by her on Sunday.
e) They are going to be offered a free cruise by Jayden across the Mediterranean.
f) A free cruise across the Mediterranean is going to be offered to them by Jayden.
g) The farmers will be ground the wheat by the mill employee in September.
h) The wheat for the farmers will be ground by the mill employee in September.
i) The musicians had been prepared a pleasant surprise by the orchestra conductor.
j) A pleasant surprise had been prepared to the musicians by the orchestra conductor.

3. (10 pts. 2 each)

a) When are the tickets checked by the conductor on the train?
b) Where was the crime carried out by the murderer?
c) Who has the expensive Chinese vase been stolen by?
d) How long is the doctor going to be waited for?
e) How far will the capital be lived away from by the Black family?