

ANNE MORROW LINDBERGH

Anne Spencer Morrow Lindbergh, American writer and aviator (1906-2001), was perhaps best known as the wife of Charles Lindbergh, the pilot who had made the first solo transatlantic flight in 1927. In her own right, however, she was a renowned pilot and the author of a number of popular books of fiction, diaries, and poetry. Anne met her husband when he was her family's guest during the Christmas 1927 season. She graduated from Smith College, Northampton, Massachusetts, in 1928, and the couple was married the following year. Anne took up flying herself and in 1930 became the first woman in the U.S. to be granted a glider pilot's license. She became her husband's co-pilot, navigator, and radio operator and in 1930 helped him set a new transcontinental speed record of 14 hours 45 minutes from Los Angeles to New York City. In 1931 they made a three-month-long journey to survey air routes over Canada and Alaska to East Asia, and that trip later became the subject of Anne's first book, *North to the Orient* (1935), which was an instant success. She solidified her reputation with her second book, *Listen! The Wind* (1938), which recounted a 1933-34 survey of transatlantic air routes. She went on to write more than two dozen works of prose and poetry, including five volumes of her own diaries. With *Gift from the Sea*, published in 1955, Anne became a heroine to millions of readers, especially women, for her thoughtful and lyrical meditation on the lives of women in the twentieth century. The book remained on the nonfiction bestseller list of *The New York Times* for a formidable 80 weeks, and sold five million copies in hardcover and paperback during its first 20 years in print.

I. TRUE or FALSE. Copy the evidence from the text. No marks are given for only TRUE or FALSE.

- a) Most people knew Anne more for her marriage than for her works.
- b) Anne and Charles's wedding took place before she finished her studies.

II. Find the words in the text that mean:

- a) awarded
- b) permit
- c) topic
- d) reflective

III. USE OF ENGLISH

- a. Theatre tickets are more expensive than last year.

Last year

b. I haven't been to Middletown for three years.

It's

c. I'd never visited that museum before.

It

d. Are these shoes John's?

Do

e. Sally started working at the bank two years ago.

Sally

f. I've never met such a pretty girl.

She

g. I am only going to wait for you until 7:30.

At 7:35

h. She doesn't ski at all.

She

i. I became sad during my visit to my parents.

While

j. They'll finish the marathon after 42 kilometres.

By the end of the marathon

k. My plan is going to Nepal next summer.

I

l. The last time she cooked was in 2015.

She

m. She got ill when she visited her grandmother.

(Make a question)

n. I did my homework before going out.

I didn't