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The Second Test of English

My last holiday was a five-day trip to Italy. I decided to visit Rome, Florence and Venice. Italy is a traveller's paradise.

Rome is the capital of Italy. It is also called the 'Eternal City'. My first stop was the Vatican City. There I visited the Sistine Chapel, the official residence of the Pope, and Saint Peters Basilica, one of the greatest churches in the world. I came out of the cathedral and walked around the square, which was built by Bernini. The place is really beautiful. My next stop was the Colosseum. This amazing structure could hold 50,000 spectators. It was opened for the public in 80 A.D. It is the biggest amphitheatre in the world.

Venice is truly unique with its canals for streets. I explored the city on water. I took a gondola ride down the Grand Canal. It was amazing. We also visited the Piazza San Marco and the St. Marks Cathedral.

My last stop was Florence, the capital of arts. I visited the Piazza San Giovanni and many other museums and galleries there. I returned home feeling I want to visit the other beautiful parts of Italy!

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A.Reading Comprehension:

Activity One: read the text again and answer these questions **(3 pts)**

a) Where did the writer go last holiday?
b) Did he enjoy himself?
c) Which city did he visit last?

Activity Two: read the text and complete the chart below **(3 pts)**

City	Landmarks
……	Piazza San Giovanni Square
Rome	The Colosseum – St. Peters Basilica – ……
Venice	St. Marks Cathedral – The Grand Canal – ……

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Activity Three: find in the text the opposites of these words **(2 pts)**

1. last ≠ …… **2.** closed ≠ ……

B. Mastery of the language:

Activity One: supply punctuation and capital letters **(2 pts)**

The trevi Fountain is one of the most famous landmarks in italy It was constructed in the 18th century

Activity Two: write the adjectives in the correct form **(4 pts)**

a) The Martyr's Memorial is not as ***(tall)*** as the Eiffel Tower.

b) Tower Bridge is ***(beautiful)*** than Golden Gate Bridge.

c) The Eiffel Tower is ***(interesting)*** as Big Ben.

d) The Leaning Tower is old, but the Colosseum is ***(old)*** .

Activity Three: fill in the gaps to complete the paragraph below **(6 pts)**

Palace – Next – now – First – visited – summer

I had a wonderful holiday last ____1____. It was a five-day trip to Istanbul in Turkey. ____2____, I visited Aya Sophia. It used to be a cathedral, but ____3____ it is a mosque. Then, I explored the Topkapi ____4____. After that, I tasted the seafood under Galata Bridge. ____5____, I enjoyed the experience of hot air balloon in Cappadocia. Finally. I ____6____ Uchisar Castle. I spent unforgettable times there.

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