

Crazy

Here is an explanation of the meanings of some words as they are used in the passage:

- 1- Crazy (adj.) = mad = insane = lunatic = demented = mental
- 2- Far (adv.) = much
- 3- Sense (n.) = good judgement
- 4- Truth (n.) = fact
- 5- Demonstrate (v.) = show = prove = illustrate = clarify = manifest = display
- 6- Rather (adv.) = quite = fairly = somewhat = somehow = to some extent = to some degree
- 7- Dramatically (adv.) = excitingly = impressively = obviously
- 8- Civil (adj.) x military
- 9- Defence (n.) = protection against attack
- 10- Exercise (n.) = practice = drill = training
- 11- Inhabitants (n.) = people who live in a place
- 12- Take part (v.) = participate = partake
- 13- Bomb (v.) = bombard = shell
- 14- Raid (n.) = sortie = foray
- 15- Warning (n.) = siren = alarm
- 16- Shelter (n.) = bunker
- 17- Remain (v.) = stay
- 18- In case = because of the possibility
- 19- Busy (adj.) = having a lot to do
- 20- Volunteer (v.) = do something without being forced or getting paid
- 21- Casualty (n.) = person killed or injured in a war
- 22- Make-up (n.) = cosmetics
- 23- Artificial (adj.) = false = not real
- 24- Injury (n.) = wound
- 25- Realistic (adj.) = as if real

- 26- Adult (n.) = grown-up
- 27- Look (v.) = seem
- 28- As if = as though
- 29- Moved (adj.) = touched
- 30- Sight (n.) = scene
- 31- Cry (v.) = weep
- 32- Comment (v.) = express an opinion
- 33- Moment (n.) = instant

After we have read the passage and explained the meanings of some of the words in it, it is time to answer the comprehension questions. These are done below:

- 1- Doctors and nurses were busy during the civil defence exercise treating the wounded.
- 2- There were many casualties.
- 3- Their injuries looked realistic.
- 4- The living carried the dead and wounded to special stations.
- 5- Two adults brought in a six-year old child.
- 6- The child had died of shock.
- 7- Some people were moved by the sight.
- 8- The child suddenly sat up.
- 9- The doctor asked him to comment on his death.
- 10- The child's opinion was that they were all crazy.

Now our task is to link the sentences above so as to create a précis. Here is an attempt below:

During the civil defence exercise, doctors and nurses were busy treating the wounded as there were many casualties, whose injuries looked realistic. The living carried the dead and wounded to special stations. Two adults brought in a six-year old child who had died of shock. Some people were moved by the sight, but the child suddenly sat up. When finally the doctor asked him to comment on his death, he said they were all crazy.