

EXTRA PRACTICE 8(A)

Read the texts below.

A: I love cooking. In fact, at the weekends, it's usually me in the kitchen. I whip up lunch and dinner for my family. I find cooking relaxing and easy. I like the fact that I can use my creativity and just try out recipes.

B: I love sewing my own dresses. I learned the art from my mom who is a seamstress. It's great that I don't have to spend tons of money on a dress like my friends do. They're always broke by the end of the month. I can sew my own dresses. It's a good way to save up money.

C: My therapy is travelling. Just last year I travelled to the Netherlands. I thoroughly enjoyed myself exploring the land of the windmills. My style of travel isn't luxurious. In fact, I choose to stay in hostels or motels. To get around on a budget, I take the bus and subway instead of joining a tour group. I've already planned my next travel destination for the summer holidays. I can't wait to hit the road.

D: I just took up ju-jitsu during the holidays. A friend of mine recommended it to me. I was quite nervous during the first lesson. However, that dissipated when the class started. It's a fun way to keep fit. I also get to learn how to defend myself.

A. Which statement matches the description given below?

1. This speaker's hobby is a way to kill two birds with one stone.	
2. This speaker thinks that his hobby is a piece of cake.	
3. This speaker has thirst for adventure.	
4. This speaker believes that a penny saved is a penny earned.	

B. Find the word in the texts which mean:

1. Use of imagination to come up with something.	
2. All out of money.	
3. Extremely opulent.	
4. Melt away	