Reading

1 Leggi il brano e abbinà i titoli (1–4) ai testi (a–d).

1 Admission
2 History
3 How to get there
4 Things to see and do

a __________

Hampton Court Palace is one of the most beautiful royal palaces in England. It is on the River Thames, just ten miles west of London. King Henry VIII moved there in 1525. For the next two hundred years Hampton Court was one of the most important buildings in the country, the centre of political and social life.

d __________

By train from Waterloo Station or on Green Line coaches 415 and 718. You can also arrive by boat from London and Richmond.

b __________

The best things to see include the King’s and Queen’s apartments, and the Tudor kitchens. See how people cooked in the sixteenth century! The large riverside gardens include the famous maze*. Go in and get lost!

* labirinto
c __________

The palace is open every day except for the Christmas period (December 24th–26th), from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. (4.30 p.m. in winter). Adult admission costs £12.30, while children under 16 pay £8. There are also family tickets for two adults and up to 3 children for £36.40.

2 Decidi se le affermazioni sono vere (T) o false (F). Correggi quelle false. • K

1 Hampton Court is near London. □

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2 Henry VIII was born in 1525. □

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3 Tourists can’t visit the kitchens at Hampton Court. □

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4 You can visit the palace on 1st January. □

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5 15-year-olds must pay £8. □

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6 You can take a boat from London to Hampton Court. □

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3 Guada il titolo dell'articolo. Chi credi sia il fantasma? Leggi e controlla.

**The ghost of Hampton Court**

Strange things happen at Hampton Court Palace. One day in October 2003 guards heard a noise coming from a side door. Then the alarm went off. The guards ran to look, but they found the door closed and nobody there. Then they checked the security video and saw... a ghost! The video shows a tall figure coming out of the door. It is wearing 16th century clothes. Is it the ghost of Henry? Or is it the ghost of his third wife, Jane Seymour, who died at Hampton Court? Nobody knows. But it’s good publicity for the palace!

4 Scegli l’alternativa corretta.

1. Why did guards go to the door?
   a. Because they saw a ghost.
   b. Because they heard a noise.
   c. Because somebody wanted to come in.

2. What is the ghost wearing in the video?
   a. A woman’s clothes.
   b. Modern clothes.
   c. Historical clothes.

3. Who is the ghost?
   a. Henry VIII.
   b. Henry’s wife.
   c. We don’t know.

5 Completa le frasi con le parole del riquadro.

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1. The Villa Borghese is a beautiful ________ in the centre of Rome.
2. The Museo Egizio is one of the most interesting ________ in Turin.
3. Perhaps the most famous ________ in Naples is the Maschio Angioino.
4. St Peter’s Basilica is the biggest ________ in the world.

6 Prepara un elenco di luoghi interessanti da visitare nella tua città. Pensa a posti come quelli dell’es. 5. Scrivi degli appunti per ogni luogo.

**Example**

- churches
  - San Lorenzo, Santa Chiara

7 Scrivi una breve descrizione usando gli appunti.

**Example**

There are some interesting places to visit in my town. There are two old churches, San Lorenzo and Santa Chiara. San Lorenzo is about 800 years old. The church of Santa Chiara is very beautiful. There’s a big park in the centre of town. There’s ...

8 Scrivi un’e-mail a una persona inglese che visiterà la tua scuola. Usa queste informazioni:
   - How to get to the school from the nearest airport, train station or bus stop.
   - How long it takes.
   - How much it costs.
   - When the school is open.

Scrivi circa 35–50 parole.