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**“The story behind the photo”**

**A. Read the description. You may be able to imagine what’s in the photo.**

On 4th November I arrived in Chicago late in the evening. I wanted to photograph Barack Obama and his family in the Convention Center, but when I got there I discovered that I didn't have my press pass and I couldn't go inside. I walked around the park outside the center. Although it was November, it was a warm night. The atmosphere was wonderful. When I took this photo everybody was looking at the TV screens waiting for the election results. Some people were quietly holding hands and smiling - others were tense and nervous. They felt that it was their moment. Suddenly I realized that this was a better place to be than inside. I was watching Obama's victory through the faces all these people, African, Hispanic, Chinese, white. At about 11 o'clock the results were announced, and everybody went mad. People started laughing, shouting, and crying. But when Obama made his speech they all became quiet and emotional. There was only one place to be on the planet that night - and I was there.

**B. Look at the underlined verbs in the text.**

Do they describe actions that happened...?

- a. after he took the photo
- b. at the same time as he took the photo

**C. Which preposition do you use before...?**

- 1 a date (e.g. 4th November) \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 a time (e.g. 11 o'clock) \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 the morning, the afternoon, etc. \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 a room or building (e.g. the Convention Center) \_\_\_\_\_

**D. Read and listen to another politics-related story.**

Caroline de Bendern was born in 1940. She was the granddaughter of Count Maurice de Bendern, a rich aristocrat who owned a lot of property in Paris and Monaco. Although he had other grandchildren, the Count decided to leave all his money to Caroline. 'I never knew why,' says Caroline. Perhaps because I was pretty.' He paid for her to go to very expensive schools in England, and he hoped that she would marry well, perhaps a member of a European royal family. But Caroline was a rebel. She went to New York and worked there for a short time as a model. Then, in 1968 when she was 28 years old she returned to Paris...

"In May 1968, I came back to Paris. It was a very exciting time. There were a lot of demonstrations, and fighting between students and the police. I wasn't really interested in politics - I wasn't a communist or an anarchist. But I loved the atmosphere. All the students were fighting for freedom, for revolution, and the French police were everywhere. On May the 15th I was with thousands of other young people. We were walking towards the Place de la Bastille. I was tired, so a friend picked me up and I sat on his shoulders. Another boy who was walking next to us was carrying a Vietnamese flag (it was the time of the Vietnam war) and he said to me 'Hey, could you carry the flag for me?' and I said OK. There was so much happening that I didn't notice all the photographers. The next day the photo was on the cover of magazines all over the world. When my grandfather saw it, he immediately ordered me to come to his house. He was furious - really really angry. He said 'That's it! You're a communist! I'm not going to leave you anything. Not a penny!' I walked out of the room and I never saw him again. Six months later he died, and I didn't get any money from him. Nothing."

**E. Have a guess what the underlined words in Caroline's story mean.**

- 1 someone who does not like rules and behaves differently \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 someone who believes in or supports communism \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 someone who believes in or supports anarchism \_\_\_\_\_  
(They wish to destroy the existing government and laws.)
- 4 someone who is of high social rank \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 a very important change in the way that people do things \_\_\_\_\_
- 6 an area of land that belongs to someone \_\_\_\_\_

**F. Choose a, b, or c.**

- 1 In 1968 she \_\_\_\_\_.  
a wasn't interested in politics  
b was a communist  
c was an anarchist
- 2 She loved the atmosphere because all the students were fighting for \_\_\_\_\_.  
a peace  
b democracy  
c freedom
- 3 She was sitting on a friend's shoulders \_\_\_\_\_.  
a because she was tired  
b to take photos  
c so that she could see better
- 4 She was carrying the flag because \_\_\_\_\_.  
a she was a leader in the demonstration  
b somebody gave it to her  
c she brought it with her
- 5 Her grandfather died six \_\_\_\_\_ later.  
a days  
b weeks  
c months