

READING TEST: NEWS FROM CANADA 2, designed by Miguel (C1, 2014-15)

Name: _____

Task 1. Fill in the gaps with suitable words from the box below.

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WITNESSES	RESERVIST	STORMING ONTO	RCMP	PULLED OUT
SLAIN	ROCKS	WHETHER	OFFICERS	EVACUATED
BURST THROUGH	CABINETHEAD	SUSPECTS	BYSTANDERS	
STANDING	ATTACK	DEPUTY	CLUSTER	HUDDLED

TERRORISM _____ OTTAWA

Source: http://www.thestar.com/news/canada/2014/10/22/terrorism_rocks_ottawa.html

OTTAWA — The heart of Canada’s democracy came under _____ Wednesday in a brazen shooting that left a soldier dead, a parliamentary security guard wounded, and Canadians reeling at images of violence in the national capital.

In an unprecedented morning assault, a single gunman fired on a ceremonial soldier _____ guard at the National War Memorial before _____ Hill, where he _____ the main doors of Centre Block, ran past rooms where NDP and Conservative MPs, including Prime Minister Stephen Harper, were meeting.

Behind him in chase was a _____ of security officials and police officers, their guns drawn.

A volley of shots rang out, with Sergeant-at-Arms Kevin Vickers, a long-time veteran of the _____ reportedly shooting the gunman, later identified by a Canadian security source as Michael Zehaf-Bibeau.

At the National War Memorial, _____ tried frantically to save the life of the young soldier who had stood ceremonial guard next to the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, but Cpl. Nathan Cirillo, a 24-year-old _____ from Hamilton, would later die of his wounds.

A scenic fall day turned into chaos, confusion and fear shortly before 10 a.m.

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One Ottawa resident watched as a short-man with shoulder length hair got out of a car parked near the war memorial, _____ what appeared to a bunch of blankets or rolled-up sleeping bag and ran to the monument.

A few moments later, she saw the man coming back to the car. “And I see that he’s carrying a shiny object that, from afar, looked like a pipe, like a silvery-coloured pipe, which I now know was a long gun,” she said.

Other _____ say Cirillo was shot at point-blank range.

Prime Minister Stephen Harper, who had been _____ from Parliament Hill, branded the assault a “terrorist” attack. Top security officials were also on the Hill, including the _____ of the Canadian Security Intelligence Service, along with the _____ ministers of justice and defence.

In a televised address to the nation Wednesday evening, Harper’s voice shook as he paid tribute to Cirillo, _____ at a “sacred place that pays tribute to those who gave their lives so that we can live in a free, democratic and safe society.”

He extended condolences as well to the family of Warrant Officer Patrice Vincent “who was killed earlier this week by an ISIL-inspired terrorist.”

“But let there be no misunderstanding, we will not be intimidated. Canada will not be intimidated,” Harper said.

Harper had been whisked off the Hill by his protective detail and later _____ with Defence Minister Rob Nicholson, Foreign Affairs Minister John Baird and Public Safety Minister Steven Blaney for a _____ meeting.

Three other patients were taken to the Ottawa Hospital’s Civic campus for “minor, non-life threatening injuries” and were later released, including a Parliament Hill security guard who suffered a gunshot wound to the leg.

At an afternoon news conference, police _____ did not say whether they were still hunting for other _____ though the city’s downtown core remained on lockdown. Nor would they confirm _____ the man shot by police on Parliament Hill was the gunman suspected of shooting the soldier.

Key

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