Frida Kahlo biography – ANSWERS
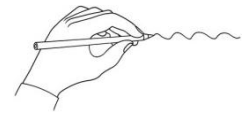
Reading practice

Level 3

Do you know about Frida Kahlo, the famous Mexican artist? Practise your reading in English with this biography.
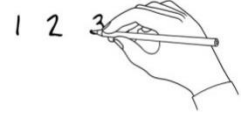

Preparation

Match the words with the definitions.

polio —————————— to return to good health after being ill

damaged —————————— to feel pain

to suffer —————————— a very serious illness that can affect the muscles

to recover —————————— a big picture painted on a wall

a self-portrait —————————— to have an effect on

a mural —————————— hurt or partly broken

folk art —————————— traditional art created by people of a particular culture

to influence —————————— a picture you make of yourself

a legacy —————————— intended for a particular purpose

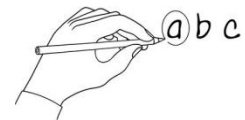dedicated —————————— something a person leaves behind after dying

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1. What's the order?

Put the sentences in order.

4	Frida started painting self-portraits.
6	Frida became interested in folk art.
1	Frida grew up in a blue house.
7	Frida died of an illness.
3	Frida had an accident on a bus.
8	Frida's husband Diego died.
5	Frida got married to Diego Rivera.
2	Frida became ill with polio.

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2. True or false?

Circle true or false for these sentences.

a.	Frida was born near Mexico City.	**(true)**	false
b.	Frida recovered quickly after her bus accident.	true	**(false)**
c.	Lots of Frida's paintings show her unhappiness.	**(true)**	false
d.	Frida's husband was an artist too.	**(true)**	false
e.	After getting married, Frida stopped painting.	true	**(false)**
f.	Frida's paintings are full of colour.	**(true)**	false
g.	Frida was healthy and strong.	true	**(false)**
h.	The place where Frida grew up is now a school.	true	**(false)**