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The Da Vinci Code has been on *the New York Times* Bestseller List since its release in April 2003. In less than two years it has become a bestseller in 150 countries and one of the most widely read books of our time. Author Dan Brown has done what many authors only dream of doing. He has written a book "everyone" is talking about. All over the world people are discussing his murder mystery that teases readers with provocative theories about history.

This novel, however, is more than a page-turning murder mystery. The Da Vinci Code is an imaginary theory that leaves many readers wondering that everything they have believed about Christ and the **Bible** is wrong.

One of the book's main characters is Robert Langdon, a fictional Harvard professor. After years of research, the professor stated that the church has been covering up the real truth about Jesus for 1,700 years. The <u>title</u> of the book is based on the claim that Leonardo Da Vinci, Sir Isaac Newton, and Victor Hugo—were members of a secret society unaware of the truth about Jesus. What many readers fail to keep in mind is that The Da Vinci Code is a fiction. This book falsely states that Jesus was not regarded as a God until the fourth century. Scholars pointed out that some ancient texts in the book quoted by Dan Brown were not "lost books of the Bible. They were the writings of a mystery religion. It is clear that The Da Vinci Code is a skillfully devised fable. Now that it is factious, it can't be taken as a fact. Being a citizen in the global village, everyone should keep discernment, which enables us to tell right from wrong.

# I. Comprehension Check:

- 1. What is "The Da Vinci Code"?
  - (A) A movie.
- (B) A novel.
- (C) A church.
- (D) A picture.

- 2. Who made up "The Da Vinci Code"?
  - (A) Dan Brown.
- (B) Robert Langdon.
- (C) Leonardo Da Vinci. (D) Victor Hugo.
- 3. What could "the New York Times" be?
  - (A) A professor.
- (B) A fiction.
- (C) A history book.
- (D) A magazine.

- 4. What does "The Da Vinci Code" talking about?
  - (A) The features of the picture.

- (B) The characters of a global citizen.
- (C) The imaginary mystery about Christ and the Bible.
- (D) A secret society.

5. Which of the following is true?

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- (A) "The Da Vinci Code" has been published (出版) for more than 1700 years.
- (B) "The Da Vinci Code" shows the Bible is wrong.
- (C) "The Da Vinci Code" is written by a Harvard professor.
- (D) "The Da Vinci Code" has been sold in 150 countries.

Answers: B A D C D

## **II Words for Learning:**

### Example:

publish (vt) published	一般表	p. 1/8 (on the page of the dictionary)		
Her first novel was published				
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1. bestseller		p.		
2. release		p.		
3. Bible		p.		
4. title		p.		
5. global		p.		
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III.	<b>Summary</b>	or	Reflection
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