

Aptis Advanced – READING

Read four comments which people posted on the newspaper website and match each sentence with the correct name.

- I'm almost 24 and saving incredibly hard to travel round the world! I'd hate to reach my 30s and then look back at my 20s and say 'I wish I'd travelled more when I had the time' - **Liam, London**
- I don't regret anything. There's nothing that I wish was different about my life. Everything I've done, however stupid it seems now, seemed like the right thing at the time... Of course I've made mistakes, but I don't regret anything. And yes, that includes saving money, bad boyfriends, all the usual things! I see them as pure mistakes – something to learn from, something which makes me the person I am today! I never think 'I wish I'd stayed on at university ... I wish I'd married my ex... If I had done these things, then I wouldn't be who I am today. – **Carla, Bristol**
- Regrets? I try not to think about them. What's the point? It's no use crying over spilt milk. But I have a few. Not buying the house I was renting for half the price I eventually paid for it, and smoking. I really wish I hadn't wasted all that money on cigarettes. What a fool. Still, I managed to give it up, which I'm proud of. – **Norah, Oxford**
- I wish there was a song called 'Je regrette tout'. It means 'I regret everything' in French. That would be my philosophy of life! – **Mary, Norwich**

Who says...?

1. He/She doesn't mind spending money
2. He/She has a motto
3. He/she is proud of himself/herself
4. He/she wishes to visit other places
5. He/she made big mistakes in the past

ANSWERS:

Carla – Mary – Norah – Liam - Carla