

Text 24

When he arrived/ Arrived on the island at the end of November, he wrote a first letter to Hada in which he was telling her/ to tell her that he missed her, that every minute of his life was an agony, that he could not live very long so far away from her and that he had a good mind/half a mind to let go of it all/that he was tempted to let go of the whole thing/the whole idea/to give it all up. In a/his second letter, posted in February 1914, he complained of his continual/constant poor health/of his permanent ailments/his being continually ill/that he was always ill/he was always ailing; he would definitely not spend/ he was definitely not going to spend his whole/entire life/all his life on this island! That he should come back some day should come as no surprise to his wife!/ His wife should not be surprised if she (ever) saw him come back some day! But in his/a third letter that he wrote/written in May, she learned that he sort of liked his work, after all/his job was not that terrible/that bad, after all, that he was getting on well with Gebrayel who was considering giving him responsibilities/entrusting him with responsibilities while making his salary twice as high as his first one/while doubling his initial salary at the same time/along with doubling his initial salary. In the fourth one, very cheerful/ecstatic/ ecstatically/happy/overjoyed/overwhelmed with joy/in a cheerful tone, he announced that he had become the second most powerful man after his brother-in-law/the right-hand man of his brother-in-law who could not do without him/and that he had made himself indispensable to him; now he has made up his mind to live/that he would live/ settle down in Cuba for ever/forever and was about to rent a large/big flat/apartment in the capital city/city centre/the city centre of the capital very close to/in the nearby La Verdad shops now located in the former residence of General Gomez/ in General Gomez's former residence.