Приложение 1.

CARD 1.

O’HENRY

**THE LAST LEAF**

*Read the text and discuss in the group:*

*What happened with Jenny?*

**shared a studio apartment-** делили однокомнатную квартиру

**This disease, pneumonia**- эта болезнь, пневмония

**She was** …. — **counting backward-** Она считала в обратном порядке.

**What was there to count?-** Что там было считать?

**An old ivy vine-** старый плющ

**When the last one falls-** Когда последний упадет

**Then I’ll go, too.-** Тогда я умру.

Many artists lived in the Greenwich Village area of New York. Two young women named Sue and Johnsy **shared a studio apartment** at the top of a three-story building. Johnsy’s real name was Joanna.

In November, a cold, unseen stranger came to visit the city. **This disease, pneumonia**, killed many people. Johnsy lay on her bed, hardly moving. She looked through the small window. She could see the side of the brick house next to her building. Johnsy’s eyes were open wide. **She was** looking out the window and counting — **counting backward**.

Sue looked out the window. **What was there to count?** There was only an empty yard and the blank side of the house seven meters away. **An old ivy vine**, going bad at the roots, climbed half way up the wall. The cold breath of autumn had stricken leaves from the plant until its branches, almost bare, hung on the bricks.

«What is it, dear?» asked Sue. «Leaves. On the plant. **When the last one falls** I must go, too. I’ve known that for three days. Didn’t the doctor tell you? … I want to see the last one fall before it gets dark. **Then I’ll go, too.**»