

ICFES TEST

ACTIVITY 12

Reading

Read the following newspaper article. Select the correct option for each space.
Mark the best answer (A, B, C or D) in the answer box.

Brazil: Under the World's Spotlight

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With only two years until the 2014 FIFA World Cup and 4 years until the 2016 Olympic Games, Brazil (0) _____ into the global spotlight for international sports competitions. However, with success often comes controversy.

Local councils (6) _____ many low-income settlements, known as *favelas*, and replaced them with luxury 5 star hotels and new roads aimed at reducing traffic congestion. While the improvements will be long lasting for the city, effectively, they (7) _____ huge numbers of the city's poorer urban residents to become displaced.

As with most big international events, security (8) _____ a major issue leading up to the 2016 Olympics. In fact, England, the country (9) _____ hosted the 2012 Olympic Games (10) _____ around \$680 million USD on security. The original budget had to be increased after the private security company, G4S, admitted that it (11) _____ to recruit enough security staff, therefore the British military (12) _____ to take over.

Another major challenge for Brazil is the transportation service. The national government (13) _____ on Monday that it has \$4.3 billion for urban transportation infrastructure while state and local authorities (14) _____ another \$2.15 billion since then.

Like previous FIFA World Cups and Olympics Games host countries, Brazil wants to display its best possible image as it (15) _____ its ascent on the global stage. Such advances are always met with problems, but the real test is how Brazil steps up to the challenge.

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| 0. | A come | B came | C has come | D had come |
| 6. | A has demolished | B have demolished | C had demolished | D demolish |
| 7. | A forced | B had forced | C has forced | D have forced |
| 8. | A are | B is | C was | D had been |
| 9. | A what | B who | C where | D that |
| 10. | A spends | B have spent | C spent | D spend |
| 11. | A had failed | B have failed | C fail | D fails |
| 12. | A has had | B have had | C has | D had |
| 13. | A announces | B announced | C have announced | D had announced |
| 14. | A commit | B has committed | C have committed | D had committed |
| 15. | A continues | B had continued | C has continued | D continued |