

## Unit 8 Test - Impact 1

Complete each sentence with the correct word from the list.

*ancestors*      *civilisation*      *discovered*      *origins*      *site*

1. Scientists \_\_\_\_\_ that our brains change as we grow older.
2. Researchers found old bones at a \_\_\_\_\_ in Mexico.
3. They believe the bones are from an early \_\_\_\_\_.
4. Scientists want to find the \_\_\_\_\_ of human life.
5. Scientists know one thing for certain. Our \_\_\_\_\_ had a life that was very different from ours.

Complete each sentence the present-perfect form of a verb from the list.

*become*      *enjoy*      *play*      *watch*      *write*

6. Football \_\_\_\_\_ very popular in Britain.
7. I \_\_\_\_\_ watching football games since I was a little kid.
8. My sister \_\_\_\_\_ football since she could walk.
9. I \_\_\_\_\_ her play many times.
10. He \_\_\_\_\_ 3 letters to his friends for 2 hours.

Match to complete the sentences. Write "a, b, c, d, e, f" only.

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| a. there were      | 11. _____ a popular international festival in our town for many years. |
| b. There are       | 12. _____ fun activities and great food at the festival.               |
| c. There has been  | 13. Last year, _____ musicians who played Mexican music.               |
| d. there will be   | 14. This year, _____ a parade as well.                                 |
| e. there have been |  |
| f. there be        |  |

**Read. Write T (True) or F (False).**

### **Early Ball Games**

Have you ever wondered who came up with the great idea to kick a ball around? Scientists have discovered ball courts that are at least 2,500 years old.

Ancient Maya civilisations played a ball game called *pitz*. Pitz is the first sport known in human history. Researchers have found several ball courts in many countries.

Much like football, the players couldn't touch the ball with their hands. The goal was to bounce the ball through stone hoops on the sides of the court. The ball was very heavy, so players wore a lot of padding for protection.

Men, women and children played pitz for fun. It was also an important game for settling conflicts between different communities. Today we don't take ball games quite so seriously!

- \_\_\_ 15. Pitz is the earliest ball game known to humans.
- \_\_\_ 16. Pitz players were allowed to use their hands.
- \_\_\_ 17. Only men were allowed to play pitz.

**Listen. Choose one or more correct answers.**

- \_\_\_ 18. Some of the earliest toys included \_\_\_\_\_.  
a. plastic dolls                      b. video games                      c. wooden balls
- \_\_\_ 19. Play wasn't important because children had to \_\_\_\_\_.  
a. go to school                      b. work on farms                      c. do household jobs
- \_\_\_ 20. Today, many children \_\_\_\_\_ more than they play with toys.  
a. play video games                      b. do household jobs                      c. read

## **Writing**

**Think about your favorite game or sport. Write at least 100 words about it. You should write:**

- what kind of game or sport it is
- whom you play it with
- where you play it

**and explain why it is your favorite sport.**