

USE OF ENGLISH PRACTICE – UNIT 6.8

Multiple-choice cloze

1 For questions 1–8, read the article below and decide which answer (A, B, C or D) best fits each gap. There is an example at the beginning.

The Loch Ness Challenge

Have you ever heard of Scotland's Loch Ness Monster? Well, this year I took part ⁰ a different kind of Loch Ness Monster: it was a 'monster' charity cycle race – 106 kilometres long!

The event is held every year and ¹ cycle around the lake on traffic-free roads. The idea of the race is to ² money for the cancer support charity Macmillan. I decided to do the race in ³ of my grandfather, who died from cancer two years ago. I asked all my friends and family to ⁴ me for as much money as they could. In the end, we were able to

⁵ over £400 to Macmillan. The best way to organise and collect the money is to ⁶ up a webpage through a specially-designed website. There are loads of them on the Internet.

A word or warning: I would have done more training if I ⁷ known how steep some of the hills were! My ankles and feet were ⁸ by the end of the day (they soon went back to their normal size, you'll be pleased to know!).

Would I do it again? Of course! In fact, I've already entered next year's race. Maybe I'll see you there!

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| 0 A of | B in | C on | D at |
| 1 A supporters | B members | C participants | D public |
| 2 A raise | B provide | C have | D bring |
| 3 A reminder | B reminding | C remembering | D memory |
| 4 A suggest | B recommend | C offer | D sponsor |
| 5 A help | B pass | C donate | D award |
| 6 A make | B set | C take | D use |
| 7 A had | B am | C have | D was |
| 8 A scratched | B swollen | C broken | D dislocated |

TIPS:

Question 1: Which word describes people who are doing sporting events?

Question 2: You need a word that collocates with *money* and describes what people do for charities.

Question 3: Look at the words before and after the gap. Only one of the words can complete the phrase.

Open cloze

2 For questions 1–9, read the email below and think of the word which best fits each gap. There is an example at the beginning.

Hi Anna,

I have an amazing story to tell you! I'm actually ⁰ in hospital at the moment. It's OK, don't ¹ _____. I'm OK now, but let me tell you what happened.

I was out for a picnic in the countryside with my family when I started finding it difficult to breathe. I've had hay ² _____ for years, especially in the spring and summer. With that, though, I usually only get a ³ _____ nose (I use so many tissues!) rather than breathing problems. My mum said I had all the symptoms ⁴ _____ asthma, but I'd never had that before. Eventually, Mum decided to take me to the hospital. The doctor did a blood ⁵ _____ but there

didn't seem to be anything wrong. It hurt ⁶ _____ she took the blood, but it wasn't as bad as having an ⁷ _____. You know I hate having a needle stuck in my arm! But guess who's just arrived at the hospital and is sitting here with me now! Jenny! She's broken her leg, so she's a patient ⁸ _____ the hospital too. They put her in the bed next to mine. I wish you ⁹ _____ here with us too. But don't have an accident! By the way, my asthma's OK and I should be out soon.

See you soon!

Maria

TIPS:

Question 1: You need the base form of a verb here.

Question 2: What collocates with *hay* and is a condition a lot of people get in the spring and summer?

Question 3: What word describes your nose when you need to use a lot of tissues?