Task 10

Read the texts below. Match choices (A–H) to (1–5). There are three choices you do not need to use.

1. Safe, comfortable and, above all, green. Electric-powered cars will not produce any substances which are dangerous for either people or the environment. In 10–20 years all cars will have their own built-in computers. These computers will help choose the best way to go and avoid accidents. You can even sit back and let the computer do the driving!

2. As you know, personal computers use a lot of power. In fact, with their printers and monitors, computers in the USA use each year as much electricity as the whole state of Oregon. Not to waste electricity, new "green" computers are being developed by more than a hundred personal computer firms in the USA. When left on but unused for more than a few minutes, they go down to a standby, using 80 per cent less energy. At a command the PCs return to full power.

3. Nowadays, people working in offices use computers, which contain hundreds of documents. Do you know how much space these documents would take up, if they were printed on paper? They'd occupy whole rooms! In many offices computers are linked in a network. This way, employees can exchange information and messages without moving from their tables.

4. Technology has allowed more and more people to work from the place where they live. Using a modem on a telephone line connected to their computer, everyone can be linked to the company computer. In this way, they don't waste so much time, because they don't have to go to the office every day. It also means less pollution in the atmosphere caused by transport.

5. Good-bye, pencils! Farewell, sheets of paper! These days' cartoons are being made with a computer. The first-ever cartoon to be created by computer was "Toy Story" produced by Steve Jobs. A typical Walt Disney cartoon usually needs up to 600 designers. "Toy Story" was made using only 100. So, like so much of modern life, today's cinema seems to be falling more and more into the hands of the computer.

A An Office at Home
B Computers for Making Films
C "No" to Computer Games
D Computers for Building up Team Spirit
E Saving Energy
F Saving Space
G Driving in the Future
H Computers for Making Music

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Task 2

Read the text below. For questions (1–5) choose the correct answer (A, B, C or D).

Every week, Dr Doppit goes round the wards at the children's hospital. But instead of a white coat and a stethoscope, Dr Doppit has a red nose and carries balloons. She is the hospital's "clown doctor" and her real name is Hilary Day.

After studying drama at university, Hilary saw an advert for a clown doctor at the hospital. "The job was perfect for me," she says. "My mother and grandmother were both nurses, so caring for people is in my blood. Also, I love doing children's theatre."

Before she started, Hilary did four weeks training, where she learnt how to do magic tricks and make balloons into funny shapes. She also had to study child psychology and basic medicine.

Her visits to the hospital start with a meeting with the nursing stuff to find out which patients a visit will be most useful for. Most children are delighted to see a clown, but there are some who are too ill, or are afraid of clowns. Hilary always checks first. Then she does some magic, makes balloon animals or tells them a story.

"We know that laughing can have a positive effect on a person's health," says Hilary. "It produces chemicals in the brain that make you relax and feel better." Everyone agrees that regular visits from Dr Doppit can make a big difference to a child's recovery. "Children in hospital miss their everyday life at home and at school," says one hospital manager. "As well as possibly being frightened and homesick they are often bored. The clown doctor gives them something to look forward to and happy memories to take home afterwards."

1 What is the writer's aim in this text?

A To describe a typical day in a children's hospital.
B To explain a method of helping young patients.
C To encourage doctors to learn some circus skills.
D To show students how to get a job in a hospital.

2 Why was Hilary particularly suitable for the job of a clown doctor?

A She had studied medicine at university.
B She already knew how to do magic.
C She enjoyed working with children.
D She had been a nurse in a hospital.

3 Before Hilary starts, the stuff tell her which children

A have asked to see her.
B are going to leave the hospital soon.
C want to hear a particular story.
D will benefit most from her visit.

4 The hospital manager thinks that Dr Doppit's visits

A are useful if the parents can't visit.
B help children get better more quickly.
C might be frightening for some children.
D help the children forget they stay in hospital

5 What can Dr Doppuit influence?

A Parents' behavior.
B Nurses' work.
C Kids' getting better.
D Hospital manager's decisions.

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Task 9

Read the texts below. Match choices (A–H) to (1–6). There are two choices you do not need to use.

1. This centrally located hotel is just minutes away from Oxford Street, Covent Garden and London's Theatreland. The hotel offers 1430 rooms with bath, shower and WC, satellite TV, telephone and tea/coffee making facilities, 2 restaurants, 2 bars, lounge, gift shop and lifts. This place is ideal for holding conferences as well as for a family weekend.

2. With an elegant Edwardian exterior overlooking a quiet park close to Paddington, the Norfolk Plaza has 86 rooms with shower or bath and WC, telephone, satellite TV, and a hairdryer. Lounge, bar and lift.

3. Ideally situated for the new Heathrow rail link, this Victorian hotel offers traditional character within walking distance of Hyde Park. 238 rooms with shower or bath and WC, TV, telephone, tea/coffee making facilities, hairdryer and trouser press, 2 restaurants, lounge, bar and lift.

4. Situated on the South side of the Thames opposite the Houses of Parliament, the Novotel Waterloo is well located for visiting London's sights. With the Eurostar terminal just minutes away it is also an ideal hotel to begin or end your European break in style. 187 rooms with shower or bath and WC, TV, telephone, tea/coffee making facilities, hairdryer and minibar, lift, restaurant, 'Flag & Whistle' pub.

5. A spacious and comfortable hotel in the heart of Bloomsbury is situated near Covent Garden, Oxford Street and London's Theatreland. The President has 450 rooms with shower or bath and WC, satellite TV and telephone, lounge, bars, 'Saracen Carver' restaurant and lift and Car parking payable at the hotel.

6. Convenient for Knightsbridge and the Exhibition Centres. 90 comfortably furnished rooms with shower or bath and WC, TV, telephone, a hairdryer; Lounge, bar, popular Mongolian themed restaurant with pleasant music and lift. Tube — 3 min.

Which hotel _____ ?

- A is convenient for exhibitions visitors
- B has a minibar in each room
- C has a gift shop
- D has a payable car parking
- E is situated near a park
- F is convenient for sport fans
- G has the currency exchange facilities
- H is traditionally organized

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