

Final Test

READING

I

Now read the three texts. Choose the correct answer (A–D).

How to make money travelling

After I left university, I set out on a three-month trip to Asia. The idea was to travel and then go home and find a job. That was two years ago, and I'm still here! But how, you may ask, can you make money and travel at the same time? I teach English. I also write a travel blog, and that makes money too. I don't have a lot of money, but I can pay my bills. I have friends that do other things, such as hairdressing. There are lots of different ways to make money while you're travelling.

- 1 What does the author say about his experience?
- A He spent three months in Asia.
 - B He now knows what job he wants to train for.
 - C He became very rich.
 - D He changed his plans.

So you want to be a billionaire?

Self-made billionaires have one thing in common: they're good at making money. Most of them will also tell you that this talent is only part of the story. So what else do you need to be a success in the business world? *So you want to be a billionaire?* helps you understand. The book looks at the careers and methods of the world's most famous self-made billionaires. Each chapter examines how these billionaires made their fortune – and how you can do the same. Read *So you want to be a billionaire* and open the door to a great future!

- 2 The author of the text wants to ...
- A sell people a book.
 - B explain the life of a billionaire.
 - C encourage readers to write a book about their lives.
 - D describe how he became successful.

The cost of art

Paul Cézanne's painting *The Card Players* sold for 250 million dollars. Before that, Francis Bacon's work *Three Studies of Lucian Freud* sold for 142.4 million. The question is: Why would you spend so much on a piece of art? Is it because you want to own something no one else can buy? Here's another story ... Banksy is a street artist whose work can sell for a million dollars. But one day he sold his paintings in Central Park for sixty dollars. The people that bought them didn't know the paintings were by Banksy. Now they have some very valuable works!

- 3 The text gives readers ...
- A reasons for the high price of some art.
 - B information about the cost of art.
 - C ideas on how to make money from art.
 - D advice on the best artists to see.

II

Read the text. Match sentences A–I with gaps 1–7 in the text. There are two extra sentences.

My trip to Delhi

Saturday

After two flights, I finally arrived in Delhi. ¹ ___ It didn't take long, and I was soon driving through the streets to my small hotel. The owner was really kind and friendly. ² ___ It was very clean and comfortable. I was really tired, so I read some of my tourist guide to India. ³ ___

Sunday

I got up at about 8 o'clock and went down for breakfast. ⁴ ___ Afterwards, I went out into Delhi. I found a taxi and went to my first tourist spot: the Shri Lakshmi Narain Temple. ⁵ ___ Inside, I found a guide and learned a lot about the history of the beautiful building. After this, I went to Raj Ghat. This is the last resting place of Mahatma Gandhi. The gardens were very green and there were lots of trees, but the fountains were dry because of the heat. After this I was very tired and hot. ⁶ ___

___ Later, when I felt better, I went for dinner at a restaurant. I had a dosa, which is a kind of pancake with curried potatoes and onions. Tomorrow, I'm going to visit Humayun's Tomb and the museum. I'm going to go to the markets and do some shopping too. ⁷ ___. Then I'll probably catch a flight to Varanasi. It's a very famous historical place. I'll let you know what it's like!

- A It's going to be hotter tomorrow.
- B I think I'll stay in Delhi for a few days.
- C I didn't feel like exploring any more, so I went back to my hotel for a rest.
- D He chatted for a bit and then showed me my room.
- E That's why he met me at the airport.
- F I took off my shoes and went in with the other tourists.
- G I collected my luggage with no problems, left the airport and tried to find a taxi.
- H It was a delicious meal of eggs, Indian breads and chutneys.
- I I fell asleep in the middle of an article about street food.

Read the text and match statements A–G with paragraphs 1–6. There is one extra statement.

The crime of the century

- 1 This is the story of one of Britain's most famous crimes: the Great Train Robbery. In 1963, an English criminal called Bruce Reynolds had an idea for a crime. He wanted to rob the night mail train from Glasgow to London because he knew the train carried thousands of pounds. He also knew he couldn't work alone, so he called fifteen other criminals and told them about the job. He called it 'the big one'.
- 2 The gang bought a farmhouse in the middle of the countryside to escape to after the crime. They also found a criminal train driver to help them drive the train after they stopped it, and they organised trucks to carry the money. Then, on the night of the robbery, they put up false signals on the track and waited.
- 3 The train appeared at around 3 a.m. and stopped at the false signals. The train driver, Jack Mills, was confused, so he got out and went to the signals. The thieves hit him on the head and then boarded the train. But now they had a problem – they needed to move the train to a bridge to unload the money, but their criminal train driver didn't understand the controls – he couldn't drive the train!
- 4 The thieves decided to drag the driver, Jack Mills, back onto the train to help them. Then they had a surprise. There was more than the thousands of pounds they thought would be on the train – there was over two and a half million! In those days that was a huge amount of money.

- 5 The men drove the money to their farmhouse and decided to wait there until the police ended their investigation. But this was a huge crime, and the police were looking everywhere. At last, the thieves became worried. They left the farmhouse with the money, and when the police found the house, they also found the men's fingerprints everywhere. The investigation continued, and the police started to arrest people. Many of the train robbers went to prison for thirty years for their crime.
- 6 In April 1965, one of the gang members, Ronnie Biggs, escaped from prison. He lived in Australia with his wife and children, and then he went to Brazil. During this time, the newspapers wrote many stories about him. In 2001, he returned to Britain because he was very ill. He went back to prison, but then left again in 2009 and died in an old people's home. Many people have made films and written books about the Great Train Robbery. It is one of Britain's most famous crime stories.

This paragraph tells you ...

- A how the thieves were discovered. _____
- B how the men spent the money. _____
- C how the thieves prepared for the robbery. _____
- D the problem the robbers had on the night of the robbery. _____
- E how their fame grew. _____
- F what they found which was unexpected. _____
- G why the thieves decided to work together. _____