

I.VII. Read the text and decide T (true)/ F (false) for each statement.

London is Britain's biggest city. It is a very old city and dates back to the Romans. It is a city of historic building and churches, and it has many beautiful parks. It also has some of the best museum in the world. London is very crowded in summer. It is a popular city with foreign tourists and has more than eight million visitors a year. The city is famous for its shopping and department stores. London has an excellent underground railway system, so it is eary for tourists to get around.

No.	Statement	T/ F
1.	None of the cities in Britain is bigger than London.	
2.	London is founded by the Romans.	
3.	London has historic buildings and churches.	
4.	Most of the best museum in the world are situated in London.	
5.	London is not busy in summer.	
6.	It's not easy for tourists to travel around London.	

I.VIII. Read the paragraphs below and complete the summary.

Air pollution is a cause of ill-health in human beings. In a lot of countries there are laws limiting the amount of smoke which factories can produce. Although there isn't enuogh information on the effects of smoke in the atmosphere, doctors have proved that air pollution causes lung diseases.

The gases from the exhausts of cars have also increased air pollution in most cities. The lead in petrol produces a poisonous gas which often collects in busy streets surrounded by high buildings. Children who live in areas where there is a lot of lead

in the atmosphere can't think as quickly as other children and are clumsy when they use their hands.

There are other long-term effects of pollution. If the gases in the atmosphere continue to increase, the earth's climate may become warmer. A lot of the ice near the Poles ma melt and may cause serious floods.

Complete the summary by writing the missing words in each blank.

Air _____ (1) can make people _____ (2). Consequently, some countries pass _____ (3) to control the quantity of _____ (4) in the air. Air pollution causes particular damage to the body by harming the _____ (5). _____ (6) should not be used in petrol because it is bad for children's _____ (7) and makes them clumsy in using their hands. Poisonous gas from _____ (8) collects in those parts of cities where there are tall buildings. Pollution can also have an influence on the earth's _____ (9). The ice may melt near the North and South Poles, resulting in very bad _____ (10).

2.VII. Read the text and answer the question.

Bangkok, the capital of Thailand, is a city of contrasts. It is an exciting, crowded, modern city and at the same time, a city that is full of history. The streets of Bangkok are usually noisy and crowded with people. Some are selling food, other selling clothing, cassette tapes, flowers, or souvenirs. Visitors love the river markets, the beautiful temples and architecture, and the nightlife. They also enjoy the food, the shopping, and the friendly Thai people. Everyone seems to smile there.

Most of the year, Bangkok is hotter than any other capital city in Asia, but from January to December, the weather is cooler and much more comfortable. Actually, it is an interesting city to visit at any time of the year. The shopping is excellent, and the price is cheaper than in many other large cities in south-east Asia.

There is always plenty to do in Bangkok any time of the day or night from watching Thai dancing or boxing to taking a boat trip on the river or trying some of the delicious and spicy food. And if you get tired of the city and the traffic, there are beautiful beaches only two hours away by bus.

1. Where is Bangkok?

2. How are the streets of Bangkok?

3. What is the weather like in Bangkok in January?

4. Can visitors come to visit Bangkok all around the year?

5. How long does it take visitors from Bangkok to the beaches by bus?

2.VIII. Read the text and choose the best option to complete it.

There are many problems in the public transportation system in Metropolitan City. Thousands of residents (1) _____ on the city's buses and streetcars (2) _____ throughout this large city, but Metro Transportation system's (3) _____ schedules are totally unreliable. For example, a bus or a streetcar that should (4) _____ at seven may not arrive until eight o'clock or even (5) _____. Sometimes three buses or streetcars will arrive in bunches, one after another. Moreover, it is unusual (6) _____ a bus driver or a streetcar conductor to pass up groups of people anxiously waiting in the snow in freezing weather because he is behind schedule and wants to make up for lost time. (7) _____, passengers (8) _____ unhappy victims of the waiting game, which cause them (9) _____ late for work or to (10) _____ important appointments.

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| 1. A. relies | B. rely | C. relied | D. will rely |
| 2. A. traveling | B. go | C. to travel | D. going |
| 3. A. days | B. daily | C. each day | D. day |
| 4. A. begin | B. start | C. go | D. arrive |
| 5. A. sooner | B. later | C. lately | D. soon |
| 6. A. at | B. on | C. for | D. in |
| 7. A. Unfortunately | B. Happily | C. Strongly | D. Interestingly |
| 8. A. is | B. feels | C. become | D. gets |
| 9. A. be | B. to be | C. being | D. are |
| 10. A. get | B. arrive | C. miss | D. reach |

3. VII. Read the text and decide T (true)/ F (false) for each statement.

It is a custom in Britain and in most European countries to celebrate a person's day. Members of the family and close friends are supposed to be present at the party. If they can't come they may send a gift by post. At the birthday party, the person who gives birth day party opens all the gifts in front of all the people present and thanks them for the gifts.

The mother usually makes a birthday cake, or if she can't, she may order one from a cake-shop. A number of candles are placed on the top of the cake and will be lighted when the party starts. The number of candles is also the age of that person. After the light is out they all sing a song "Happy birthday to you....". Then they play some games or sing or dance together.

No.	Statement	T/F
1.	Only in Britain people celebrate people's birthday.	
2.	Only dear friends and members of the family are present.	
3.	Some people may send gifts if they can't go to the party.	
4.	They open the gifts in front of their friends at birthday party.	
5.	Father always makes the cake for the party.	

6.	You can buy a birthday cake at the cake shop.	
7.	The cake is placed on the top of the candles.	
8.	The candles will be lighted at the beginning of the party.	
9.	The number of the candles is also the age of the person.	
10.	They don't sing any song at the party.	

3.VIII. Read the passage and fill in the blank with one suitable word.

If you live in a city, you probably see many people, hear the (1) _____ of traffic, and smell the pollution (2) _____ cars and factories.

We are entering a new time (3) _____ the history of the world. Before this, most people were (4) _____. They lived in the country. Now many people are (5) _____ the farms and moving into the cities. They are looking for better jobs. The cities are growing very quickly. Most cities are very crowded. People are driving more cars, burning more fuel, using more water, (6) _____ more food, making more garbage, and producing (7) _____ things in factories than ever before. Life is becoming difficult.

Some governments are trying to plan for the future. They are building new roads, putting up new houses, looking (8) _____ more water, and limiting growth in certain areas. Still, city planners are getting worried. People are crowding into the cities (9) _____ than cities can take them. The cities are running (10) _____ of room. What is the answer to this problem?

4.VII. Read the passage and answer the question.

DIET AND WEIGHT

Most of the joggers who are overweight are reasonable for talking about and obsessing with their weight. Since many people start jogging to lose weight (perhaps you're one of them), it is not surprising that body size is important. More and more people are on a diet. 50% of the women and close to 25% of the men in the US are watching what they eat. Body weight is the second most talked among joggers - heart disease and high blood pressure are the first! There are many factors that affect your weight. They include: body type, diet, exercise level, sex and age. What may be an "ideal" weight for you at the age of 27 may not be ideal when you are 54. And your ideal weight will probably be different during racing season when in a specific training phase.

1. What are most of joggers who are overweight worried about?
A. Their weight B. Their height C. Their jogging D. The distance
2. To many people, _____
A. body size is not a problem B. body size is very important
C. they do not care about their body size D. jogging is a waste of time.
3. In the US, _____
A. nobody is on a diet B. 25% women are on a diet.
C. obesity is appreciate. D. nearly 25% men are on a diet.
4. What are the most talked among joggers?
A. Body size B. Lung cancer
C. Heart disease and high blood pressure. D. Diet

4. VIII. Read the following passage and fill in each numbered blank with one suitable word.

Dear Mom and Dad,

This is just a quick letter to let you know that I'm fine. We are all working quite hard because the exams are only few weeks away, but our teacher (1)_____ he thinks we'll do well.

Anyway, we (2)_____ a wonderful time at half term. We went off to Paris for a (3)_____ days with my friends and we went on a guided tour. We saw most of the famous sights (4)_____ the Louver; here they have an amazing collection of paintings, and the Eiffel Tower. Then we went down to the South of France (5)_____ train. It was so (6)_____ the whole journey was only about four hours. We (7)_____ a little time in Nice and in Cannes as well, and we all (8)_____ enjoyed it. On our last day we went to a small island (9)_____ the Llea des Pelerins, and saw the castle where they (10)_____ to keep the "Man in the Iron mask". All in all, we had a great time and the weather was really good as well.

Anyway, I must go now as I've got to do a lot of homework for tomorrow. Will you write soon?

Love,

Jane

5. VII. Read the passage and answer the questions.

It was the first lesson after the summer holidays at a small school in England. The lesson was about the seasons of the year. "There are four seasons in the year," said the teacher,

"They are spring, summer, autumn, and winter. In spring, it is warm and everything begins to grow. In summer, it is hot and there are many flowers in the fields and gardens. In autumn, there are many vegetables and much fruit. Everybody likes to eat fruit. In winter, it is cold and it often rains. Sometimes there is snow on the ground."

Here the teacher stopped and looked at one of the pupils "Stop talking, Tom," he said. "Now listen to me. Can you tell us when is the best time of apples?"

"Yes, sir," answered Tom. "It is when the farmer is not at home and there is no dog in the garden."

1. Where did the lesson take place?

2. What was the lesson about?

3. How many seasons are there? What are they?

4. What did the teacher ask Tom to do?