RNE Training	Reading & Grammar Task 1124

10. *Установите соответствие* ***тем 1 - 8 текстам A- G.*** *Занесите свои ответы в таблицу. Используйте каждую* ***ЦИФРУ*** *только* ***один раз. В задании одна тема лишняя. Запишите цифры в клетки задания 10***

1. VARIOUS APPLICATIONS
2. CHANGING STYLES
3. BENEFITS OF SPORT
4. CHOOSING PROPER EQUIPMENT
5. A SPORT OR A HOBBY?
6. UNEXPECTED VICTORY
7. BREAKING WORLD RECORD
8. CHALLENGING SPORT

A. Playing sports is a great way to make exercise fun and help children to develop healthy habits. Sports can also help children improve their agility, balance, and coordination. Participating in sports can help build a child's self-esteem. Studies show that children who play sports work harder in the classroom. Children also learn problem-solving skills and time management skills when they are part of a team.

B. Late last week BMX legend, Kevin Robinson, made history by flying higher than any human has ever gone on a BMX bike as part of Red Bull Experiment in New York City! Thousands of fans and spectators were on-site to catch all the action. This awesome feat had been a lifelong dream of Kevin's which until now no one else has ever been able to pull off!

C. American tennis star Venus Williams has lost her place at the Madrid Open when she was beaten in the second-round part of the contest by Russian teenager Alisa Kleybanova. Williams is the current world number three and her 19-year-old opponent was unseeded so the defeat came as a big shock. Williams said she thought Kleybanova had won 'by just being aggressive from both sides of the court.'

D. Skateboarding traces its roots to the seventies but it really reached the peak of its popularity in the mid-eighties to the present when major skateboard manufacturers propelled it to new heights. First, they started with half-pipe and vert ramp skateboarding. As the years went by, the focus shifted to street skateboarding, which brought about a few changes in deck shape and wheel size.

E. While the majority of scuba diving is recreation, there are those who do it for a living as well. Scientific exploration and research is another area with a lot of scuba diving demand. They spend a lot of time in the water watching sea life cycles, and how microorganisms fit the whole underwater environment. There are also others who work in constructing underwater platforms that are often used for research as well as offshore oil.

F. Surfing is a sport which is undertaken by almost every individual in the U.S. This term is often referred to as a surface water sport in which the person surfing is carried along the face of a breaking ocean wave standing on a surfboard. Surfboards can also be used on rivers on standing waves. Some people practise this as a hobby while others become professional surfers.

G. If you're interested in snowboarding, you will need to find out which length and width board is best for you. Both of these factors are critical to the success of snowboarding. Be aware that shorter boards are easier to manoeuvre, therefore making them great if you are just learning to snowboard. When it comes to width, it is important to consider foot size when choosing the width of a board.

A	B	C	D	E	F	G

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11. *Прочитайте текст и заполните* ***пропуски A — F*** *частями предложений, обозначенными* ***цифрами 1 — 7.*** ***Одна из частей в списке 1 — 7 лишняя.*** *Занесите* ***цифры****, обозначающие соответствующие части предложения, в клетки задания* ***11 без пробелов и знаков препинания.***

Moscow University is one of the oldest Russian institutions of higher education. It was named after Academician Mikhail Lomonosov, **A**_____.

Mikhail Lomonosov was a person of formidable willpower and keen scientific mind, **B**_____. Lomonosov's interests ranged from history, art and poetry to mechanics and chemistry. His activity was a manifestation of the enormous potential of Russia, **C**_____.

Peter I the Great had reformed Russia, **D**_____. Great importance was placed on education. In 1724, the St. Petersburg Academy of Sciences established a university and a grammar school to educate intellectuals and researchers the country needed.

However, these educational establishments did not fulfil the task they had taken on. It was Michail Lomonosov who suggested the idea of establishing a university in Moscow. According to Lomonosov's plan, there were originally three faculties. First all the students acquired a comprehensive knowledge in the field of science and humanities at the Faculty of Philosophy. Then they could specialize and continue at the Faculty of Philosophy or join either the Law Faculty or the Faculty of Medicine. The best students were sent to continue their education abroad, establishing contacts with the international scientific community.

From the very beginning elitism was alien to the very spirit of the University community, **E**_____. The Decree stated that the university was to educate commoners. Originally tuition at Moscow University was free for all students; later only poor students were exempt from tuition fees. The state funding did not cover all the University expenses and it was partly funded by its patrons, **F**_____. University alumni supported their alma mater through hard times raising money by public subscriptions.

Moscow University played an outstanding role in popularizing science and learning in Russia. Professors of Moscow University greatly contributed to establishing new cultural centres in Moscow and Russia.

1. **that was highly respected by foreign scientists**
2. **which determined long-standing democratic tradition**
3. **which allowed the country to reach high standards in many spheres**
4. **whose scientists occupied the leading positions in the world**
5. **whose lifelong passion was learning**
6. **who donated equipment and established scholarships for University students**
7. **who greatly contributed to its establishment**

A	B	C	D	E	F

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12-18 *Прочитайте текст и выполните задания* ***12-18*** *отметьте на карточке вариант, соответствующий номеру выбранного вами варианта ответа.*

Cordia Harrington was tired of standing up all day and smelling like French fries at night. A property developer, she also owned and operated three McDonald's franchises in Illinois, but as a divorced mother of three boys, she yearned for a business that would provide for her children and let her spend more time with them.

Her aha moment struck, strangely enough, after she was nominated in 1992 to be on the McDonald's Bun Committee. 'The other franchisees, all men, thought that was hilarious because of the word bun,' she recalls. 'But the joke was on them. They didn't know the company would be picking me up in a corporate jet to see bakeries around the world. Every time I went to a meeting, I loved it. This was global!'

The experience opened her eyes to business possibilities. When McDonald's decided it wanted a new bun supplier, Harrington became determined to win the contract, even though she had no experience running a bakery. 'You see a tiny crack in the door, and you have to run through it,' she says. 'I really believed I could do this.'

Harrington studied the bakery business and made sure she was never off executives' radar. 'If you have a dream, you can't wait for people to call you,' she says. 'So, I'd visit a mill and send them photos of myself in a baker's hat and jacket, holding a sign that said 'I want to be your baker'.' After four years and 32 interviews, her persistence paid off.

Harrington sealed the deal with a handshake, sold her franchises, invested everything she owned, and borrowed $13.5 million. She was ready to build the fastest, most automated bakery in the world.

The Tennessee Bun Company opened ahead of schedule in 1997, in time for a slump in U.S. fast-food sales for McDonald's. Before Harrington knew it, she was down to her last $20,000, not enough to cover payroll. And her agreement with McDonald's required that she sell exclusively to the company. 'I cried myself to sleep many nights,' she recalls. 'I really did think I was going to go bankrupt.'

But Harrington worked out an agreement to supply Pepperidge Farm as well. 'McDonald's could see a benefit if our production went up and prices went down, and no benefit if we went out of business,' she says. 'That deal saved us.' Over the next eight years, Harrington branched out even more. She started her own trucking business, added a cold-storage company, and now she has three bakeries producing fresh buns and frozen dough — all now known as the Bun Companies.

Speed is still a priority: It takes 11 people at the main bakery to turn out 60,000 buns an hour for clients across 40 states, South America, and the Caribbean.

Grateful for the breaks she's had, Harrington is passionate about providing opportunities to all 230 employees. 'Financial success is the most fun when you can give it away,' she says. 'We had a project that came in under budget one year, and we gave each of our project managers a car with a big bow!'

The current economy, Harrington acknowledges, is challenging. Some of her clients' sales have declined, but she's found new clients and improved efficiencies to help sustain the company's double-digit growth.

Cordia Harrington doesn't have to stand on her feet all day anymore. Her sons are now 27, 25, and 23; two of them work for her. And she's remarried — her husband, Tom, formerly her CPA, is now her CFO.

'This is more than a job,' says Harrington. 'It's a mission. I'm always thinking, 'How can we best serve our employees?' If we support them, they'll do their best to look after our clients. That's how it works here.'

(Adapted from 'How Bread Made Her a Millionaire' by Margaret Heffernan)

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12. Cordia Harrington was not satisfied with her position because

1) she was a divorced mother of three boys.
2) she could not provide for her children.
3) she owned three McDonald's franchises.
4) she was very busy at work.

13. The McDonald's bun committee was intended

1) to buy buns from foreign suppliers.
2) to discuss global problems in baking.
3) to oversee the production of buns in other countries.
4) to attract franchisees to the bakery business.

14. Cordelia Harrington won the contract because

1) she studied the bakery business.
2) she was an experienced baker.
3) she was persistent in achieving her aim.
4) she gave lots of interviews.

15. The Tennessee Bun Company opened

1) when there was a decrease in fast-food sales for McDonald's.
2) when U.S. fast-food sales for McDonald's increased.
3) later than it had been planned.
4) after Harrington had spent her last $20,000.

16. Harrington didn't go bankrupt because

1) she sold exclusively to McDonald's.
2) she started to supply another client.
3) she started her own trucking business.
4) she raised prices.

17. Harrington is passionate

1) to provide opportunities for her business.
2) to give away all her money.
3) to make her employees work fast.
4) to support the people who work for her.

18. Cordia Harrington has had some difficulties because

1) they had a project that came in under budget.
2) she has had to sustain the company's double-digit growth.
3) some of her clients' sales have decreased.
4) she has remarried.

19-24. *Прочитайте приведённый ниже текст. Преобразуйте, если необходимо, слова, напечатанные заглавными буквами в конце строк, обозначенных номерами* ***19-24,*** *так чтобы они грамматически соответствовали содержанию текста. Заполните пропуски полученными словами. Каждый пропуск соответствует отдельному заданию из группы.*
(ПЕЧАТНЫМИ ЗАГЛАВНЫМИ БУКВАМИ, без пробелов и знаков препинания!)

	Earthquake Strikes Southern Iran	
19	This is the latest news from BBC. An earthquake _____ the southern port city of Bandar Abbas in Iran, cutting power and	**STRIKE**
20	telephone lines. Emergency teams _____ (already) up all over the city. They report on the situation in Bandar Abbas every half	**SET**
21	hour. At the moment they _____ people, suffering from injuries. Fortunately, there are no reported deaths in this quake. Iran	**HELP**
22	_____ on seismic fault lines and is prone to earthquakes.	**LOCATE**
23	On average one earthquake _____the country each day, although most are minor tremors and are often in sparsely populated regions. The deadliest quake to hit Iran in recent years was in 2003, when 25,000 people died in a 6.7-magnitude quake in Bam. This is	**HIT**
24	a breaking news update. Check back soon for _____ information.	**FAR**

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25-29. Прочитайте приведенный ниже текст. Преобразуйте слова, напечатанные заглавными буквами после номеров 25 - 29 так, чтобы они грамматически и лексически соответствовали содержании) текста. Заполните пропуски полученными словами. Каждый пропуск соответствует отдельному заданию из группы 25-29.

	Conflict	
25	Conflict is a part of life. It exists as a reality of any relationship, and is not _____ bad.	**NECESSARY**
26	In fact, a relationship with no apparent conflict may be unhealthier than one with frequent conflict. Conflicts can be _____ , creating deeper understanding,	**PRODUCT**
27	closeness and respect. However, they can also be destructive, causing resentment, _____ and pain.	**HOSTILE**
28	Conflicts run all the way from minor differences to critical fights and conflict _____ is a skill that can be useful in all aspects of living.	**RESOLVE**
29	If conflict can be avoided in any way, it's better to go for it. _____ , sometimes it is the only way to improve a situation with someone who is hurting you or doing you wrong.	**FORTUNATE**

*Прочитайте текст с пропусками, обозначенными номерами **30-36**. Эти номера соответствуют заданиям **30-36**, в которых представлены возможные варианты ответов. Обведите номер выбранного вами варианта ответа.*

Bill, Bingo and Bram

Bill Smith had a **30**_____with dogs, a kind of power over them. They would sit in awe of him, would listen to him and would slink away sheepishly if they had growled near him. It was a skill I had cause to be thankful for once or twice. The odd thing was that Bram, the last dog Bill owned, had died in 1925 — fifty years distant.

Bill was a retired, **31**_____bachelor. He lived alone in the small terraced house next door but two from us. **32**_____a number of occasions, I visited Bill's house, and it seemed that it hadn't really changed much from the 50s. There were hints that some articles had been undisturbed apart **33**_____the occasional silverfish or visiting woodlouse, since the 1930s.

He had a picture of a dog in the small converted kitchen which housed his huge solid pillowed chair, newspapers protruding from beneath its seat cushion. It was among one or two other small photos, which **34**_____closer examination were photos of seventeen-year-old Bill.

Almost forgotten amid the clutter of pipe cleaners, matches, spills, bits of wire, tea coupons and old Yale keys was a very small dark photo of a black mongrel dog, lying in a backyard. A white stripe down its nose and in between its ears was one of the few ways it was distinguishable from the background gloom. This was Bram, Bill told me, his dog.

Through the years, my family had a total of four dogs. We actually had no photographs whatever of the first two. Dogs had only played walk-on parts in my family. As far as I was **35**_____, the all defining object in a house was a television. There was one in Bill's house. It stood like a lonely, redundant sentinel in a dank corner of his empty living room and seemed cold and unused. When I asked Bill what he watched, he answered that the set didn't work, it needed a new plug, and he hadn't **36**_____to get it fixed. And what's more, he didn't miss it. To me this was unimaginable — how could a person have a TV and not use it?

(30)	**1.** way	**2.** control	**3.** method	**4.** skill
(31)	**1.** long-lasting	**2.** long-term	**3.** long-life	**4.** lifelong
(32)	**1.** On	**2.** At	**3.** With	**4.** For
(33)	**1.** for	**2.** with	**3.** from	**4.** of
(34)	**1.** in	**2.** on	**3.** at	**4.** by
(35)	**1.** regarded	**2.** concerned	**3.** told	**4.** asked
(36)	**1.** suggested	**2.** succeeded	**3.** bothered	**4.** minded

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