

Business Test 1

PART ONE

Read the text about PERRIER VITTEL and choose the correct tense from those given

PERRIER VITTEL is a subsidiary of the Nestlé Group. It (1) **(has/is having/will have)** millions of customers all over the world. It is the water division of the group and has many famous brands such as San Pellegrino, Contrex, Panna and Aquarel. Sixty-seven production sites (2) **(producing/produce/is going to produce)** billions of litres of bottled water regularly. The main research centre of the Nestlé Group is in Lausanne and there is a network of seventeen other centres on four continents employing 2,500 staff. This research (3) **(help/helps/is helping)** produce safe and affordable water for everybody.

A recent new product is Nestlé Pure Life. The company (4) **(is bottling/bottles/bottled)** this water locally in developing countries such as Pakistan and Brazil.

Nestlé's interest in water (5) **(begins/will begin/began)** in 1969 with the acquisition of 30% of Vittel. After the takeover of Perrier in 1992 the new company Perrier Vittel (6) **(is going to become/become/became)** a major part of the Nestlé Group. Today water sales (7) **(represent/would represent/represented)** 8.8% of the group's turnover. The group is the international market leader for bottled water with a 15% market share.

A new CEO, Frits van Dijk (8) **(has taken/will take/took)** over in 2000, and he aims to keep Perrier Vittel at the front of the bottled water market in both sales and technology.

PERRIER VITTEL THAILAND: Established in 1993, the manufacturer of Minéré, a leading natural mineral water in Thailand. The company also (9) **(had imported/imports/import)** Perrier and Vittel, world class natural mineral water from France. The company is a subsidiary of Perrier Vittel S.A., France, the world leader in bottled water. The Group manages 61 production sites in 21 countries, and distributes 60 water brands in 140 countries.

The Group's exclusive mission is to bottle water and (10) **(distributed/has distributed/distribute)** it under various brands, with packaging suited to the uses and needs of consumers worldwide.

Perrier Vittel Water Institute: Founded on January 1, 1995. The Institute is located in the outstanding surroundings of Vittel's Spa Park. The Institute aims at (11) **(collect/collected/collecting)** and increasing all knowledge relating to water and particularly bottled water. It is a unique source of major scientific information for the global bottled water industry. The Institute's research projects emphasize two main directions: medicine and physiology, as well as spring area protection and water quality as a tool for researchers worldwide.

The Institute (12) **(will have/is having/has)** an internet site: <http://www.institut-eau.tm.fr>, to promote constant communication and exchanges with people from around the world.

Perrier Vittel, Nestle Group - A long history.

Present on five continents, Perrier Vittel's objective is to strengthen its leadership position in all regions of the world. The Group's mission is to serve consumers, to offer them each day, year-round, at all points on the globe, brands of pure, natural, wholesome water of consistent quality.