

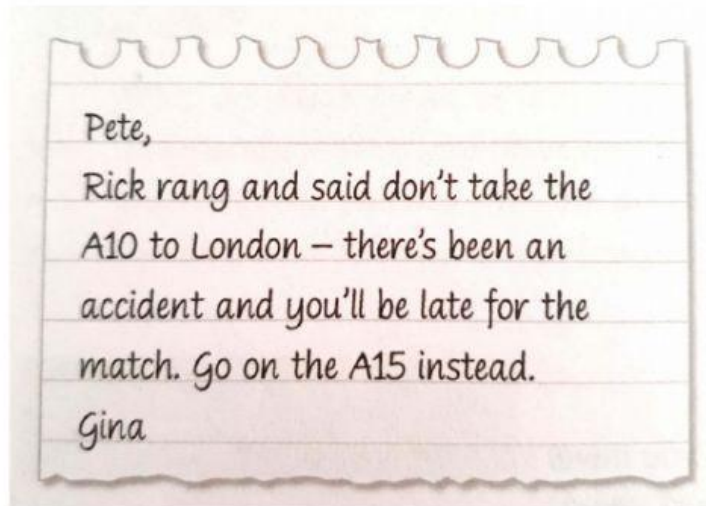
READING

PART 1

Questions 1-5

For each question, choose the correct answer

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A Pete needs to change route to arrive earlier.

B Gina will come to the match if there's enough time.

C Pete should take the A10 to save time.

2 What does Ali want Andre to do?



A Make all the meals on holiday.

B Help everybody communicate.

C Find a good river boat to hire.

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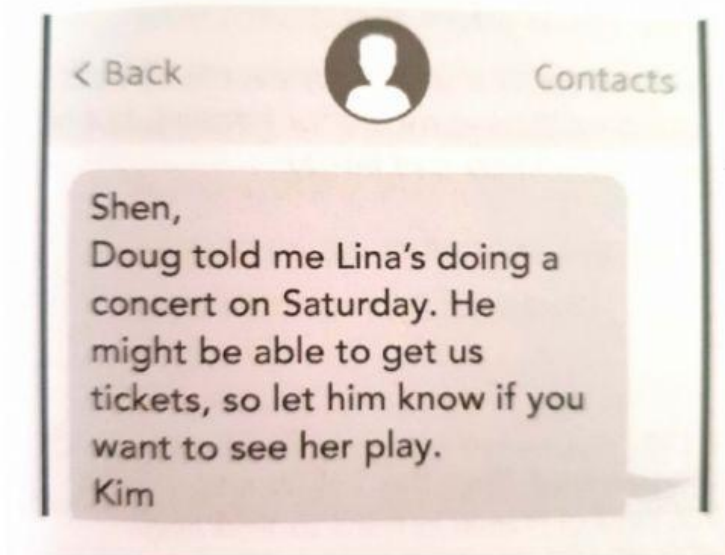


A You must pay your twelve-month membership fee for Goodlife now.

B Goodlife is selling sports clothes to members at special prices.

C You can get a gift if you persuade a friend to join Goodlife.

4 Who should Shen contact if she wants to see the concert?

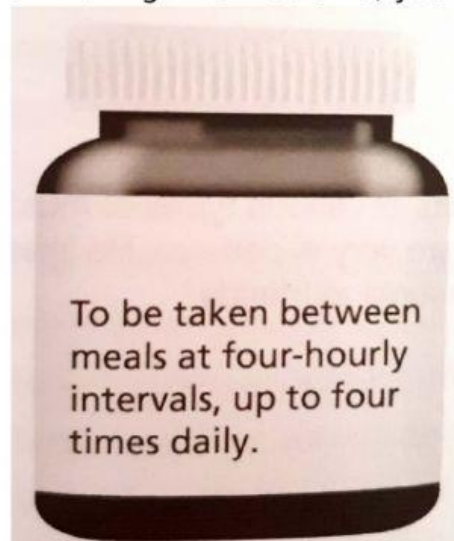


A Kim

B Lina

C Doug

5 If taking this medicine, you must



A eat just before you take it.

B wait four hours before taking it again.

C take it at least four times a day.

PART 2

Questions 6-10

For each question, choose the correct answer.

The people below all want to visit a music website.

There are reviews of eight music websites. Decide which website would be most suitable for the people below.

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Ravi is interested in a wide range of musical styles. He doesn't have much money to spend on buying music for himself, but he likes buying it as a present for friends and family.

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Leila is very keen on dance music from the 1950s and 1960s, although she knows this kind of music is hard to find and expensive to buy.

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Takumi enjoys going to concerts of various types of music, although he finds that tickets are very expensive. He likes buying music gift cards as presents to friends.

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Ijeoma likes to listen to music while she's studying. She would like to work in the music industry in the future. She buys music as often as she can afford it.

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Liam studies music at university. He goes to traditional and modern dance performances when he can afford to. He listens to music when he is running in the park.

Music sites on the web

- A** This is a very useful website and I certainly recommend it to music lovers with a taste for the tunes and songs of the dance halls in the middle of the last century. If you're looking for something that's not available elsewhere or if you'd like to listen to parts of those old favourites for free, try here.
- B** This music website caters to all tastes. From early jazz through 1970s pop to current world music, you should be able to buy what you want here. Many songs are available to listen to for free, and there's some reasonably priced music, with an efficient present-ordering service.
- C** If you're hungry for live music, this is probably the best site for you. There's a comprehensive guide to all concerts every night, from the large classical shows to the small upstairs blues rooms. What's more, there are plenty of discounts, from half-price entrance to shows, to 10 percent off online music purchases.
- D** This site says it's by musicians for musicians, with a focus on current dance music. There are lots of requests for new musicians to join new bands, and there are advertisements for performances, but the information is sometimes a little out of date. Worth a look though.
- E** This interesting site is packed with information about all kinds of music, including articles about finding a job in the music business. As well as selling a good range of music at fair prices, they also offer a free playlist, so you can put together hours of free listening to download.
- F** This is mainly a review site, so want-to-be journalists can send in their reviews of concerts, albums and so on. The standard is pretty high, as most people who send in reviews are music students or musicians themselves.
- G** This is an unusual site and will be just right for you if dance is what you like. You can save money with cheap tickets to see old and new ballet. There are playlists you stream on your phone and articles about ballet's history, although these are a bit serious.
- H** This site claims it can find you any ticket for any dance performance, although this service doesn't come cheap. They also claim they can find any record or CD ever recorded, though this claim may be harder to prove. Either way, they're great, but far from cheap.

Answers

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PART 3

Questions 11-15. For each question, choose the correct answer.

Learning about learning languages

by Davide Montrois

In many ways, my interest in language learning began with my grandmother. She had moved from Switzerland to England when she was a young adult and I was always amazed by the way she spoke English to me, Italian to my grandfather and Swiss French or German on the phone to relatives and friends back home. She was truly multilingual. I always imagined she could be a translator of books, or even a tour guide, as she seemed to have such skill with languages. Amazingly, she hadn't learnt English at school, but had picked it up by herself when she came to England.

The main reason my grandmother continued to speak so many languages was so she could communicate with all the people she knew in different cultures.

Although I can speak a bit of Italian and German from listening to her, I only know basic grammar and sometimes get confused between words, so it's hard for me to understand how someone can speak several languages so well. I'd love to know how my grandmother does it!

Although it's often said that learning languages can help you to find higher-paid employment, English has developed as a global language, used for international communication by people in all kinds of social groups. I rarely use anything else in my own job, and though I don't need another language, being able to ask for a meal in a restaurant on holiday would be useful. More than anything, it would be nice to chat with people across the world – it's easy to make new friends online that way.

In fact, language learning is easier now than ever. There's extra help from new technology, for example. Recording your voice with feedback facilities on web learning sites helps you to see how well you're doing and continue to improve. There are apps to help you learn new words, and audio technology is used in language classes. I still think going to class improves conversation skills and helps you deal quickly with mistakes. It's good to combine methods.

Or you can just spend a little time talking to my grandmother!

11 The purpose of the first paragraph is to introduce the writer's grandmother's

A unusual way of life.

B language background.

C varied career.

D interesting family.

12 How does the writer feel about his grandmother's language skills?

A hopeful of one day being as good as she is

B amazed by how quickly she can learn languages

C curious about how she is able to speak so many languages

D proud of how easily she can have conversations with other people

13 The writer would like to know more languages in order to

A learn more about cultures he finds interesting.

B do more international travel.

C get a better job.

D communicate with people in other countries.

14 The writer says new technology helps people learn languages because they can

A check their progress.

B study in different places.

C chat to other learners.

D avoid repeating mistakes.

15 What would the writer say to one of his friends?

A

It was my grandmother
who helped me learn so
many different languages.
She's amazing!

B

I'm thinking of signing up
for a language course to
help me learn useful phrases
before I go to Spain.

C

I've always found it easy
learning languages. Words
just seem to stay in my
head somehow.

D

I am just finishing a
professional translation
project and my grandmother
is checking it for me.

PART 4

Questions 16-20

Five sentences have been removed from the text below.

For each question, choose the correct answer.

There are three extra sentences which you do not need to use.

- A** But don't forget - time is already running out!
- B** As a responsible organisation, we set up this webpage instead, to solve this problem.
- C** But what's really special about it is that everything on display is available at very reasonable prices.
- D** See the 'When and Where' page for details about meeting times and places.
- E** Together, they will hand out prizes to the winners of events.
- F** All sorts of hidden places will give residents and visitors the chance to see what they normally can't.
- G** We hope you will be able to bring something of your own along.
- H** With the numbers of these increasing, we, the council, aim to provide everything they need.

Heltonbrook Town Council

'What's on' webpage

This is the place to find out what's happening around town this month. This site was started just a few weeks ago, in response to requests from people living in the area who were worried about the environmental costs of the town council's printed magazine.

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Heltonbrook is a popular town, with plenty to offer both the people who live here and the many visitors we receive every year.

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 This includes reviews of, and information about, restaurants, hotels, and leisure and entertainment venues.

Sports Day

14 July will see Heltonbrook's first Sports Day, organised by the council and something we hope will become a regular event in the town's calendar. There will be all kinds of sporting events. Judges will include Greg Davids, our local sailing champion, and Tim Progue, Head Teacher at Northfields School.

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 These include a 1500-metre running race, horse-riding and high diving. The list is a long one! For details on how to enter, contact us via the 'Contact us' page. Please note the closing date is 11 July.

Arts Show

The Heltonbrook Arts Show is already well-known in our region, where it is the biggest temporary collection of art, with over 3000 paintings by local artists.

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This means you can take something home with you on the day itself!

There will be a vote, open to all who attend the show, to decide the single best picture. The show is open daily from 15–18 July.

Open Spaces

Don't forget this year's 'Open Spaces'. This special feature of Heltonbrook life will run during the last week of July.

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 Beautiful gardens, ancient buildings and the old college library are just a few examples. Each year more places are added to the list.