

In this part you:

- **read** a text which has six gaps in it
- **write** one word to fill in each gap

FOCUS: READING FOR GIST

1 Without trying to fill in any gaps, read the text below and answer these questions.

What text type is it?

- a a news report
- b an article
- c an advertisement

What is the writer's purpose?

- a to encourage young people to study abroad
- b to recommend a particular country
- c to warn of the dangers of travelling

What is it about?

- a the best way to travel
- b the customs of other countries
- c teenagers studying abroad

2 In pairs, fill in gaps 1–4 using one word for each.

For many young people, spending time as an exchange student abroad can be the (1) exciting experience of their lives. In (2) to being lots of fun, it helps teenagers learn about a different way of life as they get used (3) the customs in another country. They also become more confident when they realise that they can handle most problems on (4) own.

VOCABULARY: LINKING EXPRESSIONS

3 Choose the correct linking words.

- 1 Thomas went to bed very early *as / so* he was feeling sleepy.
- 2 OK, I'll lend you some money *as long / far* as you can pay me back.
- 3 There was nothing in the room *except / apart* from a table and chairs.
- 4 You'd better give me your number *in fact / case* I need to call you.
- 5 Turn off the tap when you brush your teeth *in future / order* to save water.
- 6 Let's go now *instead / in front* of waiting here all afternoon.



B1 Preliminary candidates often make mistakes with linking words.

4 Find and correct the mistakes in these sentences.

- 1 Sienna's bike is much newer and better *that* mine.
- 2 We'll go for a picnic *unless* it doesn't rain.
- 3 I know I can always talk to my friend Lucy *wherever* I've got a problem.
- 4 Alfie bought some bread and *too* some apples.
- 5 I was late for school *because* the traffic.
- 6 *Despite* the train was full, I managed to find a seat.

Questions 27–32

For each question, write the correct word. Write **one** word for each gap.

TIP

Begin Part 6 by quickly reading the whole text to find out what it's about.

TIP

In some cases more than one word is possible for a gap, but you must only write one.

Hi Anna,

I've just been to the museum in our city. That was my first visit, believe it or (27)! I wanted to collect some information for our class history project. We have to hand it (28) soon, don't we?

I went to the Ancient History section, (29) the museum keeps all its ancient Egyptian stuff. It was really interesting! There were some amazing statues of various animals, so I drew some pictures of them and then (30) some research about them online when I got home.

I've still got some work to do on my project, so I'll need to go back to the museum again some time soon. In fact, (31) don't we go together? I don't think you've been there before, (32) you? I'm sure you'll find something that you could use for your project.

See you soon!

Sally