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LESSON 7
FCE PRACTICE

FCE FIRST 3 – TEST 3 – READING AND USE OF ENGLISH PART 2

For questions **9–16**, read the text below and think of the word which best fits each gap. Use only **one** word in each gap. There is an example at the beginning **(0)**.

Write your answers **IN CAPITAL LETTERS** on the separate answer sheet.

Example:

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Collecting stamps

Ever since postage stamps were first issued, people have **(0)** collecting them. At **(9)** this was regarded as just a hobby for children. Many people, though, continue collecting stamps throughout the whole of **(10)** lives. Although stamp collecting is no **(11)** as widespread as it once was, it remains **(12)** of the most popular hobbies.

The collections people make vary. Some want to obtain every stamp ever issued by a particular country. Others, though, are more interested in the pictures on stamps and collect as **(13)** stamps as possible which have, for example, a picture of a bird or maybe of an aeroplane.

It is **(14)** doubt very satisfying for a collector to feel such a collection is complete. However, in many cases this never happens **(15)** new stamps are being issued **(16)** the time. This may seem frustrating but it means that people can carry on collecting for as long as their interest lasts.

You are going to read an article about a race between two famous brothers. For questions 31–36, choose the answer (A, B, C or D) which you think fits best according to the text.

Mark your answers on the separate answer sheet.

An unusual race

To raise money for charity, a newspaper and a TV company challenged brothers Jonny and Alistair Brownlee, champion triathletes, to take part in a unique race that would set man against car, and brother against brother. In the wild and mountainous Yorkshire Dales of northern England, Jonny and younger brother Alistair would race to the same point, Jonny in a car on roads, Alistair across country on a mountain bike.

'I'm looking forward to it,' Jonny said, as the brothers took their places on the start line. 'I've never done anything like this before: it's exciting! These roads have beautiful views – and also it's very cold at the moment, so I'll be able to sit in the car and stay nice and warm.' Alistair was similarly eager – though in contrast to Jonny's jeans and sweatshirt, he was decked out in full winter cycling gear. Not that the cold was denting his confidence. 'To be honest,' he said, 'I've seen his driving before, so I'm not sure he's even going to make it. I might just stop for a cup of tea halfway up.'

The race started at the beautiful Semerwater lake in Wensleydale and was to finish at Yorkshire's highest road, Fleet Moss, some 350 metres up. No problem for the car, perhaps – but with Alistair's first couple of miles involving a 25 per cent incline, the younger Brownlee brother had his work cut out from the start. Barely time for a quick handshake and they were off. As Alistair sprinted away on his bike, heading for a track going straight up the hill and then across country to Fleet Moss, Jonny jumped in the car and was soon on the road. The next time the brothers would see each other would be at the finish line.

Jonny's early confidence took an immediate blow. Barely 15 seconds into the drive and he faced his first obstacle. Lumbering out of a field and into the road was a giant tractor.

'Welcome to Yorkshire,' he complained to the cameraman in the back of his car. 'If Alistair beats me, it's all down to this farmer!' Tense moments later, the tractor safely dealt with, Jonny was back in control.

Alistair, meanwhile, was struggling with the slope. Barely a couple of miles in and, as his brother relaxed, he was forced to dismount and carry his bike up the hill, past walls and over fences. Bemused sheep gazed, as the Olympic champion kept up a steady pace, at the bizarre sight of a man in a field with a bike on his shoulders. And then, finally, the summit was reached. Over the other side was open ground, and with the sun coming out and the land spread before him, a chance to show what he was made of. Head down, feet on the pedals, Alistair was picking up speed.

line 51

In the car, his brother faced another local obstacle. The villages in this part of Yorkshire have stood since well before the invention of the car – and the roads that link them were not exactly made for speed. Jonny attempted to negotiate another absurdly narrow corner. The car slowed to a crawl, then passed through a stream that had formed on the road.

Clear of the last village, the car was on a straight race to the finishing line. Neither brother knew how close the other was. As Jonny roared the engine and sped through the final straight to Fleet Moss, Alistair was flying across his last field and back onto the road himself – approaching the finish from the other side. Head down, legs pumping... and then a squeal of brakes as he reached the line. And then, finally, Alistair looked up. 'Is he here?' he asked the waiting crowd. 'No? Really?' The head went back, the arms up. 'Yes!' Minutes later, the car pulled up and Jonny stepped out. 'Well done,' Jonny said with disappointment. 'I'm gutted.'

- 31 The writer explains that before the race the brothers were alike in
- A being dressed for difficult conditions.
 - B having plenty of enthusiasm for it.
 - C feeling anxious about the weather.
 - D believing in their own ability to win.
- 32 What is suggested about the start of the race?
- A The brothers appeared very uncertain of the route.
 - B Alistair's training had been insufficient.
 - C Jonny had a noticeable advantage.
 - D The brothers tried to avoid eye contact with each other.
- 33 What is suggested about Alistair in the fifth paragraph?
- A He objected to the situation he found himself in.
 - B He was relieved the hill was easier than expected.
 - C He welcomed an opportunity to prove his ability.
 - D He was distracted by the behaviour of some animals.
- 34 What does 'Bemused' mean in line 51?
- A annoyed
 - B puzzled
 - C distressed
 - D disappointed
- 35 In the sixth paragraph, what do we learn about Jonny's progress?
- A He had to briefly break the speed limit.
 - B He almost drove into some water.
 - C He had to get the car through a tight space.
 - D He nearly lost control of the car.
- 36 How did Alistair react when he reached the end of the race?
- A He worried his brother had got lost.
 - B He celebrated by jumping off his bike.
 - C He congratulated his brother on his performance.
 - D He was uncertain who the winner was.

FCE FIRST 3 – TEST 3 – LISTENING PART 2

Các con mở link nghe sau đây bằng máy tính: [First 3 Test 3 Part 2](#)

You will hear a woman called Paula Kanning, who works as a film advisor in local government talking about her work. For questions 9–18, complete the sentences with a word or short phrase.

Film Advisor

Paula's job title when she started working in the film department was (9)

Paula was first attracted to the job by the (10) on offer.

The most popular place for filmmakers in Paula's area is a (11)

Paula mentions a well-known advertisement for (12) that she proposed the site for.

Paula mentions that in her first year she sometimes needed to persuade
(13) to agree to filming.

Paula is particularly proud of the (14) she built up during her first
year in the department.

Paula's current job involves managing a project with the name (15)

Paula finds creating (16) for tourists the most difficult part of her current job.

Paula believes it is necessary to protect the (17) of local residents
as well as their property.

Paula's department has recently set up what she calls a (18) scheme for students.

FCE FIRST 3 – TEST 4 – LISTENING PART 2

Các con mở các link nghe sau đây bằng máy tính: [First 3 Test 4 Part 2](#)

You will hear a student called Andy Richards talking about his recent trip to the tea growing region of Assam in Northern India. For questions 9–18, complete the sentences with a word or short phrase.

Visit to a tea plantation

As part of his (9) course at university, Andy went to India to
gather information for a project.

Andy compares the tea plant's growing conditions to a (10)

Andy's group were invited to the (11) for the tea tasting session.

Andy was surprised that, as well as the leaves, the tea pickers also picked the
(12) of the plants.

On the elephant ride, Andy was able to see the (13) in the distance.

At the tea party, the (14) particularly impressed Ar

When going over a (15) , Andy nearly fell off his motorbike.

In the market, Andy was very surprised to see the (16) on sale.

Andy was pleased with the price he paid for the (17) for his sister.

The (18) were Andy's favourite vegetables out of all those on
display at the market

MINI TEST

I. Choose the correct answer for each of the following sentences.

1. She told me that she _____ Tom.
 A. hasn't seen B. didn't see C. hadn't seen
2. Why did you change the channel? I _____ that movie.
 A. watched B. was watching C. had watched
3. When I _____ out of the shower, the lights _____.
 A. got / were going off B. had got / were going off C. was getting / went off
4. When I saw Clara, I realised that she _____ much in all those years.
 A. didn't change B. hadn't changed C. wasn't changing
5. It smells _____ coconut in here.
 A. of B. on C. from

II. Write the missing English letters that match the given Vietnamese meanings.

No.	Vietnamese	English
1.	phương trình (n)	e _____
2.	sáng tác (n)	c _____
3.	tẩy chay (v)	b _____
4.	đổi xử, chữa trị (v)	t _____
5.	người theo chủ nghĩa cực đoan (n)	e _____
6.	dân nhạc (n)	o _____
7.	lòng trắc ẩn (n)	c _____
8.	tàn nhẫn (a)	r _____
9.	thiên văn học (n)	a _____
10.	học giả (n)	s _____

***Lưu ý:** Với những từ con không nhớ và viết sai, con viết từ đó vào vở 2 dòng.