CAE Reading and Use of English Practice - Test 3

* ***For questions 1 – 8, read the text below and decide which answer (A, B, C or D) best fits each gap. There is an example at the beginning (0).***

Example:

A. regarded B. ***said*** C. presented D. proposed

Thomas Cook

Thomas Cook could be (0) ***said*** to have invented the global tourist industry. He was born in England in 1808 and became a cabinetmaker. Then he (1)_____ on the idea of using the newly-invented railways for pleasure trips and by the summer of 1845, he was organising commercial trips. The first was to Liverpool and featured a 60-page handbook for the journey, the (2)_____ of the modern holiday brochure.

The Paris Exhibition of 1855 (3)_____ him to create his first great tour, taking in France, Belgium and Germany. This also included a remarkable (4)_____ – Cook's first cruise, an extraordinary journey along the Rhine. The expertise he had gained from this (5)_____ him in good stead when it came to organising a fantastic journey along the Nile in 1869. Few civilians had so much as set foot in Egypt, let (6)_____ travelled along this waterway through history and the remains of a vanished civilisation (7)_____ back thousands of years. Then, in 1872, Cook organised the first conducted world tour and the (8)_____ of travel has not been the same since.

1.	A. dawned	B. struck	C. hit	D. crossed
2.	A. pioneer	B. forerunner	C. prior	D. foretaste
3.	A. livened	B. initiated	C. launched	D. inspired
4.	A. breakthrough	B. leap	C. step	D. headway
5.	A. kept	B. took	C. stood	D. made
6.	A. apart	B. aside	C. alone	D. away
7.	A. flowing	B. going	C. running	D. passing
8.	A. scene	B. area	C. land	D. world

LIVEWORKSHEETS

* *For questions 1 – 8, read the text below. Use the word given in capitals at the end of some of the lines to form a word that fits in the gap in the same line. There is an example at the beginning (0). STAR*

Write your answers IN CAPITAL LETTERS on the separate answer sheet. Example: STARDOM

ALICIA RHETT - THE STAR WHO ONLY APPEARED IN ONE FILM

Alicia Rhett was an actress who rose to international (0) ***stardom*** (*STAR*) in the 1939 film Gone With the Wind. In the film, which enjoyed (1)_____ (*PHENOMENON*) success and is among the most popular ever made, she played the part of India Wilkes, the serious young woman whose love for the dull and timid (2)_____ (*CENTRE*) character, Charles Hamilton, is spurned in favour of Scarlett O'Hara. Despite the film's (3)_____ (*LAST*) acclaim, however, it was to be her only screen role.

While Alicia later insisted that she "enjoyed the experience immensely", she was (4)_____ (*SUIT*) to the life of a Hollywood star. An intensely private individual, she lacked the drive and ambition of (5)_____ (*CONTEMPORARY*) like Joan Crawford or Bette Davis, and went on to reject all subsequent roles from agents and (6)_____ (*PRODUCE*). Though fans continued to hound her with requests for (7)_____ (*SIGN*) photographs seven decades later, letters went (8)_____ (*ANSWER*) and requests for interviews were seldom granted.

1. PHENOMENON	2. CENTRE	3. LAST	4. SUIT
5. CONTEMPORARY	6. PRODUCE	7. SIGN	8. ANSWER

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