

Rian Gonzales is a computer programmer from California. In order to (1) ---- he decided to participate in the Malibu triathlon. The most difficult part of the event is the sea because he almost (2) ---- when he was a child. Rian gets professional cycling shoes and (3) ---- from a specialist shop. His bicycle is very light. It is made up of carbon fiber and aluminum. When he finished the race, his friends and family (4) ---- him on his success. It is a real achievement because he was overweight (5) ---- he started this journey. He says it is the most unforgettable experience he has ever had.

1)

- A. lose weight
- B. succeed
- C. fail
- D. gain weight

2)

- A. breathed
- B. drowned
- C. dived
- D. swam

3)

- A. clothes
- B. suit
- C. trek
- D. hat

4)

- A. put
- B. joined
- C. depended
- D. congratulated

5)

- A. after
- B. during
- C. before
- D. despite

CLOZE TEST 2

Choose the best answer.

Thanks to overseas explorations British people came across many new products. They are known (1) ----- great explorers in the 16th and 19th centuries, bringing back to their mother country exotic products (2) ----- tea, potatoes and tobacco. Now, despite still being on foreign holidays, the British seem to be (3) ----- willing to try new things. When they (4) ----- at foreign holiday resorts, the British try to make things as much like at home as possible. It is estimated that 50% of them never try the local cuisine, preferring instead fish 'n' chips and full English breakfast. And 1% of British people are said to (5) ----- teabags with them, obviously knowing that the British 'cuppa' is superior to all others.

1)

- A. to be
- B. being
- C. to have been
- D. to being

2)

- A. so as
- B. such
- C. as
- D. such as

3)

- A. very
- B. much less
- C. too
- D. much more

4)

- A. arrive
- B. reach
- C. get
- D. go

5)

- A. provide
- B. receive
- C. take
- D. return

CLOZE TEST 3

Choose the best answer.

Stress and worry can be a sign that your life is meaningful. (1) ----- generally means you're working toward something that really matters to you – and it may not be going well. (2) ----- you're working on building relationships with important people in your life ----- pursuing a dream career, you wouldn't be stressed if it (3) ----- important. "Stress is not a signal that there's something wrong with your life," say the researchers. "Instead of viewing stress as something to (4) ----- think of it this way: Something I (5) ----- is at stake."

1)

- A. Being stressed
- B. Stressing
- C. Having stressed
- D. To be stressing

2)

- A. Either / or
- B. Whether / or
- C. Neither / nor
- D. Not only / but also

3)

- A. isn't
- B. was
- C. weren't
- D. is

4)

- A. protect
- B. abandon
- C. remove
- D. avoid

5)

- A. take care
- B. care about
- C. care of
- D. care with

CLOZE TEST 4

Choose the best answer.

Even though electronic mail is widely used all over the world, some people still prefer to send letters. In the United States, the postal service is the government agency **(1)** ----- handles the mail. Its job is **(2)** ----- letters and packages to people and businesses all over the world. Its goal is to see that your mail gets to its destination **(3)** ----- possible. People **(4)** ----- the postal service to deliver important letters and packages **(5)** ----- time and to the right person. For many years, the postal service has continued to be an important part of our daily lives.

1)

- A. whose
- B. in which
- C. which
- D. where

2)

- A. to deliver
- B. being delivered
- C. to have delivered
- D. having delivered

3)

- A. so quickly that
- B. the most quickly
- C. too quickly
- D. as quickly as

4)

- A. move on
- B. rely on
- C. figure out
- D. check out

5)

- A. on
- B. for
- C. in
- D. over