

Read the text and choose the correct word for each space. For each question circle A, B, C or D.

## HOLIDAYS AT HOME



Official figures show that the number of people taking international flights is decreasing, and that is (1) \_\_\_\_\_ in significant changes to holiday habits.

As the cost of air tickets increases, it appears that more and more families are choosing to (2) \_\_\_\_\_ their summer holidays at home. People are also becoming more (3) \_\_\_\_\_ of the harm that flying does to the environment, and see it as a way of helping to (4) \_\_\_\_\_ the planet, too.

For many parents a summer with no airport queues or overcrowded resorts may seem attractive, but the idea might well be less (5) \_\_\_\_\_ with their teenage children, who are probably (6) \_\_\_\_\_ to flying off to the Mediterranean or Miami as soon as school breaks up. So, the question is, how can young people (7) \_\_\_\_\_ lots of fun when so much will be closed for the holidays, and so many of their friends are (8) \_\_\_\_\_ to be away?

The answer may lie at the local sports centre. Nowadays, many centres organise summer activities aimed at young people (9) \_\_\_\_\_ either on indoor or outdoor sports. These might range, for instance, from playing table tennis to (10) \_\_\_\_\_ mountain-biking. As well as being healthy and enjoyable, taking part in activities like these is also an excellent way to (11) \_\_\_\_\_ new friends. For the most popular activities, though, it is advisable to (12) \_\_\_\_\_ early for a place – perhaps two or three months in advance.

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| 1. A) leading  | B) resulting   | C) causing   | D) creating     |
| 2. A) pass     | B) employ      | C) use       | D) spend        |
| 3. A) aware    | B) thoughtful  | C) wise      | D) familiar     |
| 4. A) save     | B) secure      | C) guard     | D) defend       |
| 5. A) liked    | B) popular     | C) approved  | D) accepted     |
| 6. A) used     | B) experienced | C) preferred | D) prepared     |
| 7. A) do       | B) live        | C) cause     | D) have         |
| 8. A) positive | B) inevitable  | C) bound     | D) definite     |
| 9. A) eager    | B) keen        | C) fond      | D) enthusiastic |
| 10. A) going   | B) cycling     | C) playing   | D) riding       |
| 11. A) meet    | B) know        | C) join      | D) make         |
| 12. A) demand  | B) apply       | C) claim     | D) order        |

Source: First Certificate Trainer