

3 Choose the correct options (A–C) to complete the text.



The Social Media-Free Teen

For seventeen-year-old Soumaya Hart, it was a special moment on a boat that did it. She was with a group of ten friends on the trip of a lifetime off the coast of Sicily. 'It was the most beautiful place I'd ever seen. ¹ Rome could compare with this. I looked at my friends. ² one person, they were all checking their phones. They'd posted photos on social media and were counting their "likes". They weren't ³ looking at the view.'

At that moment, Soumaya decided to stop using social media. 'Apart ⁴ calling my family, I don't use my phone. I've seen what it does to people my age. We don't appreciate the things that are important. Half the time we don't ⁵ see them.'

Everyone in Soumaya's family ⁶ her grandmother was on social media. What did they think of her decision?

'At first, they thought it was strange. ⁷ my dad, who's hopeless with technology, is on social media. But after a while, they saw I was spending my time doing really interesting things like volunteer work and sports. ⁸ from my younger brother, who still thinks I'm strange, the family realises it works for me.'

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| 1 | A Except | B Apart | C Not even |
| 2 | A Except for | B Even | C Apart |
| 3 | A apart | B for | C even |
| 4 | A for | B from | C even |
| 5 | A even | B except | C apart |
| 6 | A apart | B except | C for |
| 7 | A Apart | B Except | C Even |
| 8 | A Except | B Apart | C Even |