

**Task 4.** Read the text below. Choose from (A-H) the one which best fits each space (17 - 22). There are two choices you do not need to use.

David and Ben had a long journey, over ten kilometres on foot every day, (17)\_\_\_\_\_. In the end, though, this particular distance might be the basis for something unexpected. David looks set to become another of Kenya's famous long-distance runners, coming second in the 10,000 metres at the recent Paris games, (18)\_\_\_\_\_.

Now, another group of students from the same school has to make the same daily journey. They have, however, been encouraged by the success of David and Ben, (19)\_\_\_\_\_. For at least one of them, achieving sporting success is only part of the picture. Like David and

Ben, 17-year-old Moses also faces a ten-kilometre journey to school, and his schedule would amaze (20)\_\_\_\_\_.

His day starts with him preparing his own breakfast at five o'clock, before setting out on his journey, and he aims to arrive at school by seven o'clock in the morning. Moreover, he has to deal with hazards most children never experience. Part of the journey takes him through a forest, (21)\_\_\_\_\_. The majority of the way is along muddy roads, with the further danger of flooded rivers. Occasionally the bridges he needs to cross are under water or even swept away.

On such days, he stays at home. On a bad day, this might mean going several kilometres before he even realises he can't go any further. He then has to go all the way back. He doesn't give up, though. He is driven on by his desire to get a good education and has ambitions to become a doctor one day. According to Moses, (22)\_\_\_\_\_. The romantic idea of the Olympic stars developing their skills on their school journey is misleading.

- A while his brother was third in the same race
- B in their motherland
- C when they were at school in northern Kenya
- D many of those used to catching the bus or being driven to the school gates by parents
- E where wild animals, some very dangerous, live
- F who are always late for school
- G there is nothing much good about his journey to work
- H but with a difference