



## **B2 Use of English Test 1 – multiple choice gaps**

### **Use of English for B2**

For questions **1-9**, read the text below and decide which answer (**A, B, C** or **D**) best fits each gap.

#### **Why you should read fiction**

At school, the **(1)**..... majority of what we learn is factual. In history lessons we memorise names and dates; in science we have to cope **(2)**..... chemical formulas and complex equations; in maths it's all numbers and signs. It's only in language lessons where we may **(3)**..... fiction. Some people would argue that there's **(4)**..... point in reading something which is 'made up'. If this is the **(5)**....., why do language teachers encourage their students to look at anything **(6)**..... from dictionaries and reference materials?

It is because they are **(7)**..... of the benefits that reading brings. It isn't simply because reading fiction helps us **(8)**..... reality for a while and switch off from our everyday routines. Reading fiction also teaches us to see the world through other people's eyes.

It **(9)**..... us to understand the feelings of others, making us more empathetic. Fiction, in other words, helps us be better friends.

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| <b>1 A</b> vast    | <b>B</b> wide        | <b>C</b> far        | <b>D</b> high      |
| <b>2 A</b> for     | <b>B</b> on          | <b>C</b> by         | <b>D</b> with      |
| <b>3 A</b> come up | <b>B</b> come across | <b>C</b> come about | <b>D</b> come over |
| <b>4 A</b> little  | <b>B</b> slight      | <b>C</b> minimal    | <b>D</b> hardly    |
| <b>5 A</b> issue   | <b>B</b> matter      | <b>C</b> case       | <b>D</b> point     |
| <b>6 A</b> except  | <b>B</b> apart       | <b>C</b> other      | <b>D</b> beside    |
| <b>7 A</b> aware   | <b>B</b> wise        | <b>C</b> familiar   | <b>D</b> sensitive |
| <b>8 A</b> depart  | <b>B</b> miss        | <b>C</b> escape     | <b>D</b> break     |
| <b>9 A</b> lets    | <b>B</b> authorises  | <b>C</b> makes      | <b>D</b> enables   |