



### Question 1: Shared Kitchen Notice

#### NOTICE

Any food left in the communal refrigerator after 5 p.m. on Friday will be removed and discarded to ensure hygiene standards are maintained. We would appreciate it if residents could label their items clearly to avoid confusion during the week.

- A Residents are encouraged to clear the fridge themselves on Fridays.
- B Items will be thrown away at the end of the week regardless of labels.
- C The fridge is only available for use during weekdays.

### Question 2: Text Message

Hey Chloe,

I know I said I'd help you move house on Saturday, but something's come up at work and I've been roped into a morning shift. I should be free by 2 p.m. if that's not cutting it too fine?

Dan

Dan is texting Chloe to

- A cancel his offer to help her move.
- B suggest a later start time for his help.
- C ask if she can find someone else to work his shift.

### Question 3: Online Course Policy

#### ENROLLMENT TERMS

A full refund is available for cancellations made within 48 hours of purchase. Beyond this window, fees are non-refundable, though students may transfer their registration to a future session for a small administrative fee.

If a student cancels a week after buying the course, they

- A will lose all the money they paid.
- B can get their money back if they pay a small fee.
- C can choose to attend the course at a later date instead.



#### Question 4: Email from a Project Manager

**To:** The Design Team

**Subject:** Client Feedback

The client was impressed with the initial drafts but felt the color palette was a bit too corporate. They've asked us to revisit the branding with a "fresher" feel. Let's brainstorm some alternatives by Wednesday.

**The manager wants the team to**

- A start the design project again from scratch.
- B make the current designs look more professional.
- C change the style of the designs to be less formal.

#### Question 5: Parking Sign

##### PRIVATE PARKING

Parking is strictly for permit holders only. Unauthorized vehicles will be towed at the owner's expense. To apply for a temporary visitor pass, please contact the building manager during office hours.

- A Visitors can park here if they pay the owner a fee.
- B You must have a permit or a pass to park here without being removed.
- C The building manager provides free parking to anyone who asks.

#### Question 6: Email from a Travel Agency

**Dear Customer,**

Due to a technical glitch, some flight confirmations were sent with incorrect departure gates. Please refer to the live boards upon arrival at the airport rather than your printed boarding pass to ensure you head to the right area.

**The agency is advising travelers to**

- A ignore the gate information on their documents.
- B print their boarding passes again at the airport.
- C check the website for their new flight times.



### Question 7: Museum Entrance Sign

#### ADMISSION

Entry is free for all students on Tuesdays. On all other days, a 20% discount applies upon production of a valid University ID. Please note that special exhibitions may require an additional surcharge.

#### Outside of Tuesdays, students

- A can visit the entire museum for free with an ID card.
- B must pay the full price for special exhibitions.
- C pay less than the standard entry fee if they have ID.

### Question 8: Staff Training Memo

#### RE: Workshop Attendance

While the digital marketing workshop is optional, we highly recommend it for those looking to broaden their skill set. Please note that as spaces are limited, priority will be given to those who haven't attended similar training this year.

#### Who is most likely to get a place on the workshop?

- A Staff who are required to improve their marketing skills.
- B Staff who have not done this type of training recently.
- C Staff who are the first to sign up for the optional session.

### Question 9: Cafe Feedback Card

#### WE VALUE YOUR OPINION

Found something we could do better? Let us know! While we can't respond to every individual comment, all suggestions are reviewed monthly by our management team to help us improve our service.

#### The cafe is saying that

- A they will write back to you if you leave a suggestion.
- B every piece of feedback is used to change the menu.
- C they look at all comments even if they don't reply.



### Question 10: Note on a Package

#### DELIVERY ATTEMPT

We tried to deliver your parcel today but no one was home. It has been left with a neighbor at number 42. If this is inconvenient, please visit our website to reschedule future deliveries to a local pick-up point.

#### The recipient of this note should

- A go to number 42 to get their package.
  - B go to the website to find out where their package is.
  - C wait for the delivery driver to come back tomorrow.
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Read the following article. For questions 1–6, choose the answer (A, B, C or D) which you think fits best according to the text.

## The End of the Unexpected?

By Sarah Jenkins

Not long ago, travel was an exercise in the unknown. You would pack a heavy paper guidebook, a folded paper map that never quite went back together correctly, and a sense of adventure. Arriving in a new city involved a certain amount of struggle: finding a hotel meant walking the streets, and choosing a restaurant was a gamble based on how many locals were sitting inside. There was a high chance of getting lost, but in those moments of confusion, travelers often stumbled upon hidden squares or local markets that weren't mentioned in any book.

Fast forward to the present day, and the experience is unrecognizable. With a smartphone in hand, the "unknown" has almost been eliminated. Before I even leave my house, I can use satellite imagery to see exactly what the entrance to my hotel looks like. I can read three hundred reviews of a café before I've even tasted their coffee. If I wander more than ten meters off course, a calm electronic voice directs me back to the main road. We are more efficient travelers now, certainly, but I can't help feeling that something vital has been lost in the process.

The problem with having a world of information at our fingertips is that it encourages us to seek out the "perfect" experience. We only go to the highest-rated museums or the most photographed viewpoints. In doing so, we follow a path already beaten thin by thousands of others. We've become obsessed with avoiding mistakes—avoiding the bad meal, the wrong bus, or the quiet museum. Yet, it is often the mistakes that make a trip memorable.

Furthermore, the constant connection to the internet means we never truly leave home. Instead of observing the person sitting across from us on a train in Tuscany, we are checking our emails or posting photos to social media to show people back home how much "fun" we are having. We are physically in one place, but mentally we are still tied to our digital lives. Perhaps it's time to leave the phone in the hotel safe and see where the road actually takes us.

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### 1. In the first paragraph, the writer suggests that old-fashioned travel was

- A unnecessarily dangerous for most people.
- B difficult because maps were often inaccurate.
- C rewarding because of the unplanned discoveries.
- D frustrating due to the lack of good restaurants.

### 2. What does the writer mean by saying the "unknown" has been "eliminated" (paragraph 2)?

- A Technology has made travel safer than ever before.
- B We can now access details about a place before arriving.
- C Satellite imagery has replaced the need for tour guides.
- D People no longer enjoy the feeling of being in a new place.



**3. According to the second paragraph, what is the writer's personal view of modern travel?**

- A She appreciates the efficiency that smartphones provide.
- B She is glad she no longer gets lost in foreign cities.
- C She finds the electronic voices of GPS apps annoying.
- D She feels that the sense of mystery has disappeared.

**4. What does the writer suggest about travelers who use review sites?**

- A They end up having the same experiences as everyone else.
- B They are more likely to find the best-hidden spots in a city.
- C They spend too much time worrying about their budget.
- D They are better at avoiding crowds than other tourists.

**5. In the fourth paragraph, the writer criticizes social media use during travel because**

- A it prevents travelers from fully experiencing their surroundings.
- B it makes people back home feel jealous of the traveler.
- C the internet connection on trains is often unreliable.
- D people often post photos that don't reflect the truth.

**6. What is the writer's main purpose in writing this article?**

- A To provide tips on how to use technology to improve a holiday.
  - B To argue that we should try to rely less on digital tools when traveling.
  - C To complain about the poor quality of modern restaurant reviews.
  - D To compare the costs of travel in the past with travel today.
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### Set 1: The Future of Urban Living

1. The rapid (**GROW**) \_\_\_\_\_ of cities has led to a housing shortage.
  2. Architects are looking for (**INNOVATE**) \_\_\_\_\_ solutions to save space.
  3. The (**CONSTRUCT**) \_\_\_\_\_ of the new bridge will take three years.
  4. Many residents complain about the (**NOISE**) \_\_\_\_\_ environment of the city center.
  5. Living in a high-rise apartment can sometimes lead to feelings of (**ISOLATE**) \_\_\_\_\_.
  6. Public transport must be (**RELY**) \_\_\_\_\_ if we want people to stop driving.
  7. There is a wide (**VARY**) \_\_\_\_\_ of shops in the new mall.
  8. The mayor's plan is to make the city more (**ATTRACT**) \_\_\_\_\_ to tourists.
  9. (**SECURITY**) \_\_\_\_\_ cameras have been installed in most public parks.
  10. The (**OCCUPY**) \_\_\_\_\_ of the building were evacuated during the drill.
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### Set 2: The World of Work & Technology

11. Using AI can (**SIGNIFICANT**) \_\_\_\_\_ reduce the time spent on data entry.
  12. It is (**LEGAL**) \_\_\_\_\_ to copy software without a proper license.
  13. Her (**REFUSE**) \_\_\_\_\_ to work on weekends caused some tension in the office.
  14. The company has seen a (**DRAMA**) \_\_\_\_\_ increase in sales this quarter.
  15. Many people find it (**POSSIBLE**) \_\_\_\_\_ to disconnect from work emails.
  16. The team had a (**DISAGREE**) \_\_\_\_\_ about which marketing strategy to use.
  17. It is (**HIGH**) \_\_\_\_\_ recommended that you back up your files daily.
  18. You need to (**STRONG**) \_\_\_\_\_ the security of your online accounts.
  19. The manager was criticized for his (**ABILITY**) \_\_\_\_\_ to make quick decisions.
  20. Online shopping has become (**INCREASE**) \_\_\_\_\_ popular among all age groups.
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**Architecture and Urban Design**, testing a mix of fixed phrases and precise vocabulary choices.

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### The Architecture of Happiness

Most people don't (1) \_\_\_\_\_ much attention to the buildings they pass every day. However, psychologists have recently discovered that the design of our surroundings (2) \_\_\_\_\_ a massive impact on our mental well-being. It (3) \_\_\_\_\_ out that living in a city with plenty of green spaces and natural light can significantly reduce stress levels.

In the past, many architects focused (4) \_\_\_\_\_ on the functionality of a building rather than its appearance. This resulted (5) \_\_\_\_\_ rows of grey, concrete blocks that often felt cold and unwelcoming. Modern designers, however, are now (6) \_\_\_\_\_ more effort into creating structures that feel "organic."

This often involves (7) \_\_\_\_\_ nature into the design, such as adding rooftop gardens or indoor waterfalls. Experts (8) \_\_\_\_\_ that these features help people feel more connected to the world around them. While these buildings can be (9) \_\_\_\_\_ to construct, the long-term benefits for the people who live and work in them are well (10) \_\_\_\_\_ the cost.

Gap	A	B	C	D
1	give	pay	make	draw
2	makes	gets	has	does
3	turns	comes	goes	breaks
4	purely	totally	deeply	nearly
5	at	in	of	to
6	giving	taking	making	putting
7	including	mixing	incorporating	joining
8	argue	tell	speak	inform
9	heavy	high	expensive	valuable
10	worth	value	price	merit



## Sentence Completion

You will hear a teacher named Mahmoud talking about his career. For questions **1–10**, complete the sentences with a word or short phrase.

1. Mahmoud's family originally wanted him to pursue a career as a \_\_\_\_\_.
2. In his first teaching role, Mahmoud was frustrated by the school's lack of \_\_\_\_\_.
3. When he moved to a city school, Mahmoud found the \_\_\_\_\_ difficult to deal with at first.
4. Mahmoud found that incorporating \_\_\_\_\_ into his lessons helped his students stay focused.
5. A former student wrote to Mahmoud to say he had finally overcome his lack of \_\_\_\_\_.
6. Mahmoud says the most difficult time of year is the \_\_\_\_\_ associated with exams.
7. Mahmoud suggests that every teacher should have a \_\_\_\_\_ to help them relax.
8. Mahmoud mentions that the public often has a wrong idea about the number of \_\_\_\_\_ teachers have.
9. Mahmoud describes the moment a student understands something new as a \_\_\_\_\_.
10. According to Mahmoud, the best thing about teaching is the \_\_\_\_\_ the job provides.