Exercise 18

Read the text and choose the correct heading for each paragraph from the list of headings below.
There are more headings than paragraphs, so you will not use all of them.
You cannot use any heading more than once.

List of headings

A) Ancient building techniques
B) A wonder with mysteries
C) Changes in its appearance
D) Tomb or something else?
E) Pyramid facts and numbers
F) Hidden rooms discovered
G) Life of the builders
H) Stones from far away

THE SECRETS OF THE GREAT PYRAMID

1. The Great Pyramid of Giza is one of the most famous monuments in the world. It was built over 4,500 years ago and still stands today. Many experts still debate how it was made and why. Some believe it holds secrets we still do not fully understand, making it both a wonder and a mystery.

2. At the time of its completion, the pyramid was covered in white limestone, which made it shine under the sun. Over the centuries, much of this stone was removed or worn away, leaving the rougher blocks we see today. The original smooth surface gave it a very different appearance.

3. Many people believe the pyramid was built as a tomb for Pharaoh Khufu. However, some researchers think it may have had other purposes too, such as being an astronomical observatory or a symbol of power. Its true function remains a topic of debate.

4. The pyramid was built using about 2.3 million stone blocks, each weighing between 2 and 15 tons. Most of these blocks came from nearby quarries, but some were brought from far away, including large granite stones from Aswan, over 800 kilometers to the south.

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