

American 4 Review: Reading and Use of English

Part 2 – Open cloze (8 gaps)

Read the text below and think of the word which best fits each gap. Use only one word in each gap.

Rosalind Franklin: The Unsung Hero of DNA

The discovery of the structure of DNA in 1953 is one of the most important scientific breakthroughs (1) _____ the 20th century. While James Watson and Francis Crick are widely known (2) _____ their work, the contribution of Rosalind Franklin has often been overlooked. Franklin was a brilliant chemist (3) _____ took the famous “Photo 51”, an X-ray image that was crucial (4) _____ understanding DNA’s double helix.

Watson and Crick used Franklin’s data (5) _____ her knowledge or permission. If they had acknowledged her contribution, she (6) _____ have received more recognition during her lifetime. Sadly, Franklin died of cancer in 1958, four years before the Nobel Prize was awarded (7) _____ Watson, Crick and Wilkins. Nobel rules do not allow the prize to be given posthumously, (8) _____ she was never honoured.

Part 3 – Word formation (10 gaps)

Read the text below. Use the word given in capitals at the end of some of the lines to form a word that fits in the gap.

The First Moon Landing

On July 20, 1969, the world watched in (0) _____ as Neil Armstrong became the first human to walk on the Moon. The (1) _____ of this event was not only scientific but also political, as it marked the United States’ victory in the Space Race. The mission, (2) _____ Apollo 11, was the result of years of (3) _____ work by thousands of engineers and scientists.

The (4) _____ of the lunar module was a moment of great tension. Armstrong’s famous words, “That’s one small step for man, one giant leap for mankind,” have become part of (5) _____ history. The astronauts brought back 21.5 kilograms of lunar (6) _____, which have been studied ever since. This (7) _____ achievement showed that (8) _____ goals can be reached with determination and (9) _____.

Armstrong later said that he had never felt like a hero. In his (10) _____, it was the team behind the mission who deserved the praise.

0	BELIEVE	→	unbelievable (example)
1	SIGNIFY	→	_____
2	NAME	→	_____
3	TIRE	→	_____
4	LAND	→	_____
5	HUMAN	→	_____
6	SAMPLE	→	_____
7	ORDINARY	→	_____
8	AMBITION	→	_____
9	COOPERATE	→	_____
10	HUMBLE	→	_____

Part 4 – Key word transformations (15 questions)

Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the word given. Do not change the word given. You must use between two and five words, including the word given.

- “I didn’t steal the money,” he said.**
He _____ the money.
→ **DENIED**
- Someone has stolen my laptop.**
My laptop _____.
→ **BEEN**
- They are building a new hospital in the city centre.**
A new hospital _____ in the city centre.
→ **BEING**
- If you don’t study, you won’t pass the exam.**
You won’t pass the exam _____ study.
→ **UNLESS**

5. **It wasn't necessary for you to bring an umbrella because it didn't rain.**
You _____ an umbrella because it didn't rain.
→ **NEEDN'T**
6. **He succeeded in finding a solution to the problem.**
He _____ a solution to the problem.
→ **MANAGED**
7. **She asked me, "Where did you buy that jacket?"**
She asked me _____ that jacket.
→ **BOUGHT**
8. **We didn't leave early, so we missed the train.**
If we _____ early, we wouldn't have missed the train.
→ **HAD**
9. **People say that Franklin was close to discovering the structure of DNA.**
Franklin _____ close to discovering the structure of DNA.
→ **SAID**
10. **It is believed that the thief entered through the window.**
The thief _____ entered through the window.
→ **HAVE**
11. **"You should see a doctor," my mother said to me.**
My mother _____ a doctor.
→ **ADVISED**
12. **I regret not learning to play an instrument when I was younger.**
I _____ to play an instrument when I was younger.
→ **WISH**
13. **The weather was so bad that the match was cancelled.**
The weather was bad enough _____ the match.
→ **FOR**
14. **They made us wait for two hours at the airport.**
We _____ for two hours at the airport.
→ **MADE**
15. **"Would you like to go to the cinema?" she asked.**
She _____ to the cinema.
→ **INVITED**