

B1 PET Test #7 - Reading

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Question 1 (Question ID: 99-139644)

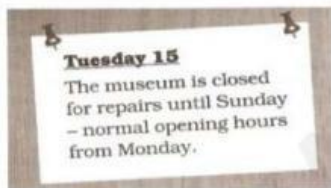
Choose the correct answer that goes with this text.



- A. Sylvia will try to be home by 2 p.m.
- B. Mary has to be home by 2 p.m.
- C. Mary must phone the shop by 2 p.m.

Question 2 (Question ID: 99-139645)

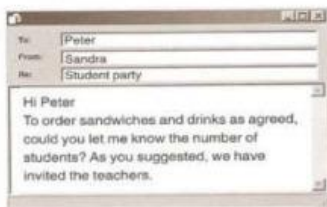
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- A. The museum can't be visited until Monday because of repair work.
- B. The museum will close from next Monday because of repair work.
- C. The museum is closed until Monday and will re-open on Tuesday.

Question 3 (Question ID: 99-139646)

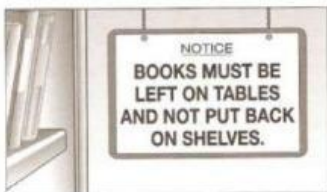
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- A. Sandra would like Peter to invite some of their teachers to the party.
- B. Sandra and Peter are responsible for getting food for the party.
- C. Peter needs to give Sandra some details about the party.

Question 4 (Question ID: 99-139647)

Choose the correct answer that goes with this text.



- A. After you use books, put them back on the shelves.
- B. Leave books on the table when you finish using them.
- C. If you find books on tables, take them to the librarian.

Question 5 (Question ID: 99-139653)

Choose the correct answer that goes with this text.



- A. You can have a haircut every day but not on Saturday.
- B. You can pay less for a haircut with this advert.
- C. You can get a cheaper haircut only on the opening day.

Read the following descriptions of eight jobs.

The London Job Centre

A. Walk the World

Walk the World needs an experienced traveler to organize walking tours for families, schools and college groups. The job is for two years and involves short trips abroad to find walking routes suitable for different levels of fitness. A knowledge of languages would be an advantage.

B. Gordon Trips

Gordon Trips needs an employee to help organize European tours. Foreign travel is not in the job description, but you will have contact by email and telephone with clients, so you must speak French or Spanish or German. We work on Saturdays in the summer months.

C. Super Travel

Super Travel is developing its Asian adventure team and is looking for a team leader to cover the summer months. We will give you training in climbing and trekking, but you must have excellent swimming skills. Some experience of working with different age groups is essential.

D. Life of Adventure

Publishers urgently need a reporter with experience of deep-sea photography to join its team in Jamaica. The job is for the summer and we offer all the equipment and comfortable accommodation for a family group if requested. Excellent salary and free weekends.

E. World Wildlife

The designer of group wildlife holidays around the world, requires a tour guide. You must have knowledge of animals, be a real team player and be able to speak at least one foreign language. No previous experience as a tour guide needed. The job starts in three weeks' time.

F. Global Tourism

Global Tourism is looking for two people with an excellent command of Spanish and English to accompany groups of English-speaking tourists on whale-watching trips to South America. You must be fit and a good swimmer. These are one-year jobs starting next summer.

G. Worldwide Magazine

Worldwide Magazine is looking for a travel writer to cover Central and West Africa, starting immediately. The job is mostly based in our central office, but you must be willing to spend at least two weeks a month traveling. Previous experience of journalism is essential.

H. Kanco Expeditions

Kanco Expeditions is looking for leaders for its Latin American tours. You must have a driving license and a basic knowledge of Spanish. The job will require you to spend up to six months per year in Central and South America. Extensive travel experience is not essential.

(Adapted from Pet Test builder)

Question 6 (Question ID: 99-1091030)

The people below all want to find a job connected with traveling. Decide which job would be the most suitable for each person.

Q6.1.....

Carl used to work as a reporter. He wants a job which involves travelling and also writing about his experiences. He does not mind spending long periods abroad and he could start tomorrow.

Q6.2.....

Debbie has a degree in Zoology and wants a job where she can use that knowledge and also travel. She works well with other people and speaks German. She is not keen on sports.

Q6.3.....

Pedro is looking for an exciting summer job where he can learn new skills. He was trained as a deep-sea diver and has taken groups of children and adults on diving trips.

Q6.4.....

Jackie wants a job that will allow her to spend several months abroad. She can hold a simple conversation in Spanish and French. She used to take London tourists sightseeing in her own car.

Q6.5.....

Clara is a tourist guide, but now she has a small child and she wants a job which does not require her to travel abroad. She speaks Spanish and she is willing to work at weekends.

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Read the text and questions below. For each question, choose the correct answer.

Jim Benson, pianist, and songwriter

People often ask me who I have to thank for my success as a pianist and songwriter. They expect to hear that I was born into a musical family and had an excellent piano teacher. However, the truth is different. When I was little, nobody played an instrument at home. I learnt to play the piano and sing because there was a piano in my house and I just wanted to make music.

My parents allowed me to sit at the piano and sing for as long as I wanted. If they were afraid that I would break the old piano, they never mentioned it. They didn't suggest that I should take lessons, either. The songs just came to me when I had my hands on the piano. I suppose I had musical talent and that is all you need. I started writing proper songs when I was a teenager. The music was mine, but the words were from other songwriters. It seemed so easy. When you start to compose, you do that, you copy other people's best songs. Then you start changing the melodies and the words and you develop your own style. That only happened later, when I had grown beyond my teenage years.

For a time, I thought music would be just a hobby. My parents had developed a strong belief that I would be able to make a living as a musician, but I had my doubts, so after school, I took a job in radio advertising. Then one day one of my songs won a prize and that changed everything. I realized my happiness was in music. I have been a musician ever since that day.

Question 7 (Question ID: 99-139703)

What is Jim Benson's main purpose in writing the text?

- A. to suggest how children can be taught music
- B. to describe his life as a successful musician
- C. to explain how he became a musician
- D. to complain about his lack of musical training

Question 8 (Question ID: 99-139704)

When Jim Benson started making music on the piano, his parents ____.

- A. seemed happy to let him play it
- B. said the piano might get damaged
- C. saw the need for a piano teacher
- D. wanted him to play his own songs

Question 9 (Question ID: 99-139705)

What does Jim Benson say about the songs he wrote as a teenager?

- A. They were not well-written.
- B. They took a long time to write.
- C. They were not very original.
- D. They showed his personal style.

Question 10 (Question ID: 99-139707)

Which advice would Jim Benson give talented young people?

- A. You need somebody in your family to guide you when you start.
- B. It's OK to copy other people's songs when you are learning.
- C. It is not a good idea to write songs when you are very young.
- D. If you want to be successful, you must have good music teachers.

Question 11 (Question ID: 99-139706)

Jim Benson took a job in advertising because ____.

- A. his parents suggested it was a good career for him
- B. he thought he might not earn enough as a musician
- C. he had learnt about advertising jobs at school
- D. it offered him the opportunity to change his life

You are going to read an article about trainspotting. Five sentences have been removed from the article. Choose from the sentences A-G the one which fits each gap. You do not need to use all the letters.

- A. This might be in beautiful countryside or by an old bridge.
- B. Steam trains are the most beautiful.
- C. It's the busiest station in the country.
- D. I just don't understand what's so funny.
- E. You must never walk along the tracks or through tunnels.
- F. A pen or pencil, a notebook for the train numbers, a camera and perhaps a pair of binoculars is all that most people take with them.
- G. "Safety is very important," says Bob

Question 12 (Question ID: 99-144097)

Watching the World Go By

A hobby which is particularly strange to many people is trainspotting or train fanning, as it is called in America. This pastime usually involves standing on the platform of a railway station in all kinds of weather and for many hours, writing down the serial numbers of all trains that pass through the station on that day. The final aim of this is to have seen every train in the country.

Unlike some hobbies, you don't need a lot of expensive equipment. Q12.1..... You also need a lot of patience.

There are two very busy places in England for transporters. Clapham Junction Station, which is the south of London, is one of them. Q12.2..... York Station is also very popular. It is in northern England and it has the National Railway Museum nearby.

Although people laugh at trainspotting and say that it's boring, those who have taken up this hobby disagree. "It's not just about standing on a platform and writing the numbers of trains as they pass through a station," says Bob Turner, who has been a transporter for 20 years. "It also involves activities like watching trains from a favorite location. Q12.3..... We also ride on trains for fun, take photographs or even visit railway shows and museums. Being a trainspotter also increases a person's interest in rail history."

There are also a few rules that trainspotters follow for their own and other people's safety. Q12.4..... "You must always cross the tracks at the proper crossings, not just at any point, and you must always expect a train on any track from any direction and at any time." Bob also recommends staying a safe distance from the tracks wherever possible. You must never walk along the tracks or through tunnels. "Nobody should risk having an accident while enjoying a hobby. As long as you follow the rules, trainspotting is very safe."

Does he really enjoy it? "Yes I do!" says Bob, smiling. "I don't know why people think it's something to laugh at. Q12.5..... Trainspotting can be a great way to spend your time. I have travelled all around the country looking at all kinds of trains and I have seen lots of great places. One more thing, we don't all wear little brown glasses and anoraks!"

Question 13 (Question ID: 99-139802)**Beatrice Wright, a Storyteller**

Beatrice is a retired librarian and a (0) *member* of The Storytellers, a group of people who go into schools to read with children. The Storytellers are volunteers, so they are not Q13.1..... for their work. There are now almost 3,000 storytellers of all Q13.2..... across Great Britain, from young students to people in their seventies. Q13.3..... qualifications at all are needed to be a storyteller, but all storytellers must be patient and kind.

Beatrice applied to become a storyteller when she saw an advertisement on TV. She had never Q13.4..... of The Storytellers before. She says, 'Many children do not have books at home and this makes it harder for them to do well at school. They are delighted when they get all my attention. People should not do this sort of work Q13.5..... they really like children. I look forward to it so much that I really Q13.6..... the children during the holidays.'

Q13.1. A. fined B. paid C. charged D. owned

Q13.2. A. ages B. years C. times D. dates

Q13.3. A. None B. Nothing C. Any D. No

Q13.4. A. informed B. listened C. told D. heard

Q13.5. A. even B. if C. unless D. though

Q13.6. A. lack B. miss C. lose D. leave

Question 14 (Question ID: 99-144057)

Read the text and write the missing words. Write one word on each blank.

WHERE IT ALL STARTED

Although the Romans built the first roads stretching (0) *across* Europe, they were soon in a terrible condition and people stopped using vehicles with wheels and went back to carrying things Q14.1..... foot or by animal. This continued for almost 1,000 years until large wagons being pulled by as many as six horses and carrying up to six tons began to appear towards the end of the sixteenth century. This was all because trade Q14.2..... cities was growing and transport by ship was Q14.3..... slow.

During the eighteenth century, road transport grew very quickly and, in England, all other major cities were a one-day journey Q14.4..... London with coaches traveling at 18 kilometers per hour and carrying Q14.5..... to 12 passengers. Of course, this was very expensive and a journey from London to Leeds (300km) in those days Q14.6..... the same as a return flight from London to New York does today.