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7. "Has anyone explored the entire Amazon Rainforest?" the journalist asked. (if)

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8. "Are there dangerous animals in Ha Long Bay?" the children asked their parents. (whether)

→ _____

9. "Did Niagara Falls freeze completely last winter?" he inquired. (if)

→ _____

10. "Is the Sahara Desert expanding every year?" the researcher wanted to find out. (whether)

→ _____

Exercise 19: Choose the best second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first one.

1. "Is the Amazon Rainforest the largest rainforest in the world?" the student asked.

A. The student asked if the Amazon Rainforest is the largest rainforest in the world.

B. The student asked whether the Amazon Rainforest was the largest rainforest in the world.

C. The student asked that the Amazon Rainforest was the largest rainforest in the world.

D. The student asked if was the Amazon Rainforest the largest rainforest in the world.

2. "Have you taken any photos of Mount Fuji?" she asked her friend.

A. She asked her friend whether she had taken any photos of Mount Fuji.

B. She asked her friend if he had taken any photos of Mount Fuji.

C. She asked her friend have you taken any photos of Mount Fuji.

D. She asked her friend if did he take any photos of Mount Fuji.

3. "Will the glaciers in Antarctica melt completely?" the scientist wondered.

A. The scientist wondered whether the glaciers in Antarctica would melt completely.

B. The scientist wondered if will the glaciers in Antarctica melt completely.

C. The scientist wondered that the glaciers in Antarctica would melt completely.

D. The scientist wondered whether the glaciers in Antarctica will melt completely.

4. "Did ancient civilizations visit Machu Picchu?" the archaeologist questioned.

A. The archaeologist questioned if ancient civilizations visited Machu Picchu.

B. The archaeologist questioned whether ancient civilizations have visited Machu Picchu.

C. The archaeologist questioned if ancient civilizations had visited Machu Picchu.

D. The archaeologist questioned did ancient civilizations visit Machu Picchu.

5. "Can we see the Aurora Borealis from here?" the tourists asked the guide.

A. The tourists asked the guide if they could see the Aurora Borealis from there.

B. The tourists asked the guide whether we could see the Aurora Borealis from here.

C. The tourists asked the guide can they see the Aurora Borealis from there.

D. The tourists asked the guide if they can see the Aurora Borealis from there.

6. "Is Ha Long Bay more beautiful than Phang Nga Bay?" my colleague asked me.

A. My colleague asked me whether Ha Long Bay is more beautiful than Phang Nga Bay.

B. My colleague asked me if was Ha Long Bay more beautiful than Phang Nga Bay.

C. My colleague asked me whether Ha Long Bay was more beautiful than Phang Nga Bay.

D. My colleague asked me that Ha Long Bay was more beautiful than Phang Nga Bay.

7. "Have the coral reefs recovered from the bleaching?" the marine biologist inquired.

A. The marine biologist inquired if have the coral reefs recovered from the bleaching.

B. The marine biologist inquired whether the coral reefs had recovered from the bleaching.

C. The marine biologist inquired if the coral reefs have recovered from the bleaching.

D. The marine biologist inquired that the coral reefs had recovered from the bleaching.

8. "Do penguins live only in Antarctica?" the child asked his teacher.

A. The child asked his teacher whether penguins lived only in Antarctica.

B. The child asked his teacher if do penguins live only in Antarctica.

C. The child asked his teacher whether penguins live only in Antarctica.

D. The child asked his teacher that penguins lived only in Antarctica.

9. "Was the Great Wall of China visible from space?" she wanted to know.

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A. She wanted to know if the Great Wall of China is visible from space.
B. She wanted to know whether was the Great Wall of China visible from space.
C. She wanted to know if the Great Wall of China was visible from space.
D. She wanted to know that the Great Wall of China was visible from space.
10. "Will you visit Niagara Falls next summer?" John asked Mary.
A. John asked Mary if she would visit Niagara Falls next summer.
B. John asked Mary whether she would visit Niagara Falls the following summer.
C. John asked Mary will you visit Niagara Falls next summer.
D. John asked Mary if she will visit Niagara Falls the following summer.

Exercise 20: Mark the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the correct arrangement of the sentences to make a meaningful paragraph/letter in each of the following questions.

1:

a. The tour guide asked us if we had brought warm clothes because the temperature drops significantly at night in the desert.
b. Dear Mom and Dad, I'm writing to you from the Sahara Desert, and this experience is beyond amazing!
c. Tomorrow, we'll ride camels to watch the sunrise over the sand dunes, which the guide said would be unforgettable.
d. I'll share more stories when I get back home next week. Love, Sarah
e. Yesterday, our group leader asked whether we wanted to sleep under the stars, and everyone said yes immediately.

A. b – a – e – c – d B. b – e – a – c – d
C. d – b – a – e – c D. a – e – b – c – d

2:

a. Scientists wondered whether these formations could survive the increasing ocean temperatures and pollution.
b. The Great Barrier Reef, one of the world's most spectacular natural wonders, faces serious environmental threats.
c. In response, the Australian government has implemented strict conservation measures to protect this UNESCO World Heritage site.
d. Recent studies revealed that over 50% of the coral has experienced bleaching due to climate change.
e. Marine biologists frequently ask if tourism activities are contributing to the reef's degradation, leading to new visitor regulations.

A. b – d – a – e – c B. d – b – a – e – c
C. b – a – d – e – c D. a – e – b – d – c

Exercise 21: Mark the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the correct answer to each of the following questions.

1:

Put the sentences (a-c) in the correct order, then fill in the blank to make a logical text.

Our tour group visited Ha Long Bay last week, and everyone was amazed by its beauty. The guide asked if we had seen such limestone formations before, and most of us hadn't. _____.

a. She then questioned whether we knew that Ha Long Bay had over 1,600 islands and islets.
b. When we reached the caves, she asked if anyone wanted to explore the hidden chambers inside.
c. The guide also wondered whether we could imagine how these magnificent karsts were formed millions of years ago.

A. a - c - b B. b - a - c C. c - a - b D. a - b - c

Choose the sentence that can END the text most appropriately.

A. Ha Long Bay is located in northeastern Vietnam.
B. By the end of the tour, everyone understood why UNESCO had recognized this as a World Heritage Site.
C. The weather in Ha Long Bay can be unpredictable.
D. Many tourists visit Ha Long Bay every year.

2:

(1) _____. First, researchers asked whether the Northern Lights were becoming more visible due to increased solar activity. (2) _____ scientists wondered if climate change was affecting the frequency of aurora displays. Additionally, tourists frequently inquired whether they could predict the best viewing times more accurately. These questions have led to extensive research and improved forecasting systems for aurora hunters worldwide.

Choose the TOPIC SENTENCE that can BEGIN the text most appropriately.

A. The Northern Lights are a spectacular natural phenomenon.

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B. Many questions about the Aurora Borealis have emerged in recent years.
C. Norway is the best place to see the Northern Lights.
D. Solar storms create beautiful light displays in the sky.

Choose the option that fills the blank (2) most appropriately.

A. Nevertheless, B. Similarly, C. Second, D. In conclusion,

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Exercise 22: Listen to the recording and choose the best answer A, B, C, or D for each question below:

1. Where is the Great Barrier Reef located?
A. Near the United States
B. Near Australia
C. Near England
D. Near Moscow
2. How long is the Great Barrier Reef?
A. About 1,500 kilometers
B. About 2,000 kilometers
C. About 2,300 kilometers
D. About 3,000 kilometers
3. What does the speaker say coral actually is?
A. A type of rock
B. A type of plant
C. A living animal
D. A type of fish
4. According to the recording, how can tourists view the Great Barrier Reef?
A. Only by swimming
B. Only by diving
C. Only by helicopter
D. By boats, diving, and helicopters
5. What happens to coral when the water becomes too warm?
A. It grows faster
B. It becomes white and dies
C. It changes to red color
D. It moves to deeper water

Exercise 23: Listen to the audio again and decide whether those sentences are TRUE (T) or FALSE (F):

1. The Great Barrier Reef can be seen from space.
2. There are more than 2,000 types of fish living in the reef.
3. All sharks in the Great Barrier Reef are dangerous to humans.
4. The speaker mentions that pollution from plastic and chemicals harms the reef.
5. Sarah suggests that we should use more plastic to protect the reef.

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