

Teenage Go Player

James Kwak is a Go player. He has lived in South Korea since he was eight years old. His parents moved there with the whole family five years ago. Now, at the age of 13, many people think James could become one of the best Go players in the world.

James' mother is a good Go player, but James didn't learn until he was seven. 'Some of my friends wanted to join the local Go club even though none of them knew how to play!' he says. 'Luckily the PE teacher is a fantastic player – she taught us at lunch time.'

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Reading Part 3

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In his free time, James loves watching TV because he doesn't have to think! 'My friends like pop and rock videos, or superhero movies. I prefer the funny stuff. If it doesn't make me laugh, I'm not interested.'

He's not sure about what he'll do in the future. 'I don't think I will be the world's number-one player,' he says. 'But who knows?' He's thinking about going to university and studying to be a doctor. The one thing he knows for sure is that he'll never stop enjoying the game.

Best of luck, James!

Read the article. For each question, choose the correct answer.

- James has lived in South Korea for
A five years.
B eight years.
C thirteen years.
- Where did James learn how to play?
A at home
B in a club
C at school
- What does James like most about playing Go?
A winning prizes
B making new friends
C visiting other countries
- What does James enjoy watching on TV?
A comedies
B music videos
C adventure films
- What does James say about his future?
A He wants to be the best player in the world.
B He plans to do something different.
C He wants to keep playing Go.

Exam Practice: Reading Part 4



2 For each question, choose the correct answer.

SKYWRITING

You don't see much skywriting these days, but many years ago it was a very

(1) kind of advertising. Drinks companies and car makers (2) skywriting companies lots of money to get their messages into the sky.

Skywriting has always been expensive and difficult and you can never (3) what the weather will be like. 'We have to have blue skies,' says Susan Althrop, who has a skywriting business in France.

'Customers can (4) a flight for next month, but it might be cloudy or windy!'

There aren't (5) skywriters left now. Susan's customers are usually companies looking for an unusual (6) to advertise. Each job costs around £5,000 – so people have to be quite rich to do it!

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| 1 A popular | B favourite | C busy |
| 2 A made | B paid | C bought |
| 3 A think | B hope | C know |
| 4 A book | B keep | C save |
| 5 A some | B much | C many |
| 6 A way | B sort | C type |

Exam Practice: Reading Part 5



For each question, write the correct answer. Write ONE word for each gap.

Example: 0 at

Hi Mum and Dad,

I hope everything's OK (0)at..... home. I arrived in New Zealand yesterday. On the plane, I sat next (1) a really nice woman who told me about (2) of interesting places I could visit while I'm here. And I've found a place to stay (3) isn't too expensive. I'm going to be in New Zealand for nearly (4) month, and then I'm going to fly to (5) USA.

Dad, did you ask your friend Patricia in San Francisco (6) it's OK for me to stay with her next month?

I'll write again soon.

Sonia

Reply

Forward

Exam Practice: Listening Part 4



- 1 You will hear two friends talking about a place they visited. What did they think of it?
 - A It was expensive.
 - B It was small.
 - C It was boring.
- 2 You will hear a teacher talking to her class about a trip. Where did they go?
 - A a restaurant
 - B a factory
 - C a house
- 3 You will hear two friends talking about their town. Why do they both like it?
 - A It's full of interesting people.
 - B It has a great sports stadium.
 - C It's close to the sea.
- 4 You will hear a father asking his daughter about what she did last night. What did she do?
 - A She went to the cinema.
 - B She went online.
 - C She went to a restaurant.
- 5 You will hear a boy leaving a message for his friend. Where does he want to meet?
 - A the stadium
 - B the post office
 - C the supermarket

Exam Practice: Writing Task 2 - Portfolio 3

Look at the three pictures.
Write the story shown in the pictures.
Write 35 words or more.

This image shows a single sheet of white paper with horizontal blue or grey ruling lines, typical of notebook paper. The lines are evenly spaced and run across the width of the page. There are no margins, text, or other markings on the paper.