VOCABULARY

Reading Part 1
delayed (adj): happening later than expected
book (v): to arrange accommodation, tickets, etc. in advance
urgent (adj): requiring immediate attention
compete (v): to take part in a contest
particular (adj): specific, not general
notice (n): an official announcement or warning

Reading Part 2
recommendation (n): advice or suggestion about what to do
organise (v): to arrange or plan an event
review (v/n): to write or give opinions about something (e.g., a book)
upload (v): to put information or files online
web-based (adj): operating on or through the internet
annual (adj): happening once every year
generous (adj): willing to give freely; kind
fiction (n): literature that describes imaginary events
historical (adj): relating to past events

Reading Part 3
celebrity (n): a famous person, often in entertainment
talented (adj): having natural skill
songwriter (n): a person who writes songs
doubt (v): to be uncertain about something
personality (n): the combination of characteristics that make someone unique
fame (n): being well-known and admired by many
determined (adj): strongly motivated to succeed
extreme (adj): very severe or intense
hardship (n): difficult or unpleasant conditions
non-profit (adj): not aiming to make a profit; charitable
shelter (n): a place giving protection from the elements
psychological (adj): relating to the mind or mental health

Reading Part 4
achieve (v): to successfully complete something
condition (n): the state or quality of something
equipment (n): tools or items
coach (n): a person who teaches in sports

Reading Part 5
entertaining (adj): enjoyable or amusing
aim (n): a purpose or goal
socialize (v): spend time with other people in a friendly way
keen (adj): eager or enthusiastic

Reading Part 6
choose (v): to pick or select from options
opportunity (n): a chance to do something
nervous (adj): worried or anxious

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READING PART 1

Exam Tips

- Read the text and choose the sentence which goes with it.
- Look at the layout and the graphics, as this will help you to understand the context.
- Carefully read the three possible answers.
- Read again each possible answer while checking the text and, then, decide which answer is the correct one.
- Read your answer again to check that it matches correctly.

Questions 1-5: For each question, choose the correct answer.

1.



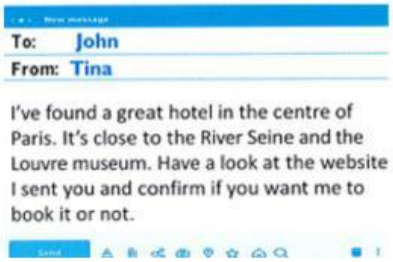
A. George should tell Adam if he is going to be delayed.
B. George should tell Adam which bus he is on.
C. George should get a later bus to the station.

2.



A. Mary will meet Sally in Rome.
B. Sally got tired of walking in Rome.
C. Sally has done a lot of sightseeing.

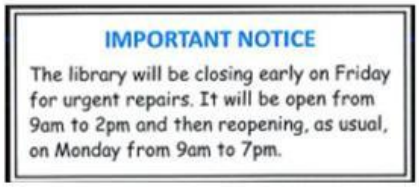
3.



A. John needs to see if he likes the hotel.
B. John needs to book the hotel himself.
C. John needs to find a hotel near a museum.

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4.



A. The library will not open on Friday.
B. The library will be closed at the weekend.
C. The library will close later than usual on Monday.

5.



A. The competition is only for children. who have a pet.
B. Children must paint or draw a particular subject.
C. Children can compete in both groups if they want to.

READING PART 2

Exam Tips

- First read the eight texts (A – H) and then read the five descriptions of people.
- Compare the texts to the people to find a possible match. Make sure that all the person's information matches the correct text.

Questions 6-10: For each question, choose the correct answer.

The people below all want to join a club for people who enjoy reading.
On the opposite page there are descriptions of eight book clubs for teenagers.
Decide which phone would be the most suitable for the people below.

6. 	Jenny wants a club where she can attend face-to-face meetings to discuss stories she's read. She also wants to get recommendations on novels she can read for free.
7. 	Eddy would like to join a club which organises talks by writers. He'd like the chance to buy cheap books on many subjects and to write book reviews.

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8. 	Kasia loves reading about animals and wants a club where she can talk to people online who share her interest. She'd also like to practise her other favourite hobby, photography.
9. 	Joshua wants an online reading club where he can start his own blog about novels he's read. He's interested in fiction by people in his age group and wants to post his short stories.
10. 	Lilly loves reading but isn't interested in fiction. She wants a club which has special offers on books and also competitions.

Book clubs for teenagers

A. Library Club

Our members are book lovers who read and then recommend books that we should buy for the town library – from textbooks to novels and comics. We also meet after school at the library to help keep it tidy, and sometimes we pick which old books to give away to the public for free.

B. Book Wizards

Book Wizards recently won the title 'Book Club of the Year'. Members say club meetings are always friendly and enjoyable, and they have the opportunity to talk about books they've read. Often they're about subjects other than fiction, for example technology, animals or sport.

C. Book World

This web-based club is looking for members to run the Book World site, writing articles, taking and uploading pictures, and making sure information is up-to-date. The club has various chatrooms for discussing different types of books, from novels to wildlife or cooking.

D. Readers

Members of this friendly book club post reviews on the club web page of novels they've enjoyed. They get together once a month and exchange books – great if you don't want to have to buy new books – and share their opinions of different novels.

E. Love Books

This club is perfect for those who'd like to explore books about science, history, the natural world, and so on, rather than novels. There's an annual meeting, and four

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times a year, members receive a magazine which is full of reviews, cartoons and chances to win prizes. Members also receive money off at Harleys' bookstores.

F. Book Fans

This club for young people is run by the bookshop of the same name, and members get a generous fifty percent discount in all departments in the shop. Another club benefit is invitations to hear authors speak about their latest work for free. Members are also invited to post short articles on the club website about books they've read.

G. Read It

Members of this club chat online about different kinds of stories they've read, like science fiction, comedy and historical novels. The club's web pages are run by a publishing company and they're always good fun to look at, with videos and cartoons, and a monthly competition to win books.

H. Mad About Books

This is the club for book fans who want to share their opinions about literature, especially by teenage authors. Club members receive help in setting up their own web page on the site, where they can also upload their writing work and get feedback from other members and professional authors.

READING PART 3

Exam Tips

- First, read quickly (skim) the text and get a general understanding of what the text is about. Now carefully read the text again word by word.
- Make sure that you work on one question at a time and carefully compare each option before selecting the right one.
- Have another look at the option you have chosen and check again that it does match the question.
- Questions 11 to 14 are in the same order as the information appears in the text.
- Question 15 looks at the overall meaning of the text.

Questions 11-15: For each question, choose the correct answer.

Giving back to the people

Ever since she arrived on the pop scene in the early eighties, Madonna has remained one of the most well-known celebrities in the world. She has shown herself to be a talented singer, dancer, songwriter and actress. Having achieved all this, one cannot doubt that she has a strong belief in herself and her abilities. She seems to have gained such a strong personality through her own painful childhood experiences. She went to

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a strict Catholic school, was one of many children, and her family was split up after her mother died from cancer.

Eventually, in search of fame, she left college and went to New York with only her suitcase and a few dollars. Madonna became one of the biggest stars on the planet, and has sold over 200 million records worldwide, making her the most successful solo artist alive. Few, though, may have realised that her rough start in life is exactly what made her so determined to get ahead and to decide to help so many others.

Madonna's single cause over the past 10 years of her life is to give back to the people as much as she can. This is why she has made such a huge effort to bring an end to the extreme poverty and hardship experienced by Malawi's 2 million orphans. She founded *Raising Malawi*, a non-profit organisation that gives children in Malawi food, clothing, shelter, education, medical care and psychological support. At the same time, she supports other non-government organisations that offer many poor African families opportunities to earn money themselves. These programmes try to change the lives of these people once and for all.

It makes you wonder, doesn't it? What would happen if every one of us, just like Madonna did, gave back to those in need? Without a doubt, the world would be such a better place to live in. And it's not simply because certain people would be able to have the things that they should have never lived without in the first place, but also because through volunteering and charity, everyone can become a better person, experiencing benefits one would have never even imagined.

11. Madonna's career
A. is steadily in decline since her first appearance in the eighties.
B. has not been limited to the pop scene.
C. has been down to luck rather than talent.
D. is the result of a lifetime of opportunities.
12. As a child, Madonna was probably
A. happiest during her school days.
B. lonely and without anyone to talk to.
C. unhappy in New York.
D. made stronger due to difficult events.
13. What does the writer say about Madonna's success?
A. She is the best-selling artist alive.
B. She earned a lot of money early on in her career.
C. Her success is mainly due to luck.
D. Her move to New York didn't help much with her career.
14. According to the text *Raising Malawi*
A. has earned Madonna a lot of money.
B. is a charity that helps poor African families.

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C. tries to make a difference in the lives of many children in Malawi.
D. has failed to attract other's attention to the issues it deals with.

15. How would the writer probably describe Madonna?

A. "She is a woman that may seem to care for others but in fact only does so for herself."
B. "She has failed to achieve what she could have because of a life of hardship that eventually brought her down."
C. "Her success doesn't mean much to her as she always wants to become better and better."
D. "What she is truly passionate about is helping those in need have a better future."

READING PART 4

Exam Tips

- First, read the whole text in order to get a general understanding.
- Look at each gap (16 – 20) and see which of the sentences (A – H) would fit best in the gap.
- Read the sentences before and after your answer choice and check whether it fits in grammatically and if it allows the story to flow nicely.
- Then, have a look at the other answer choices to make sure that they don't fit in the gap.
- When you have answered the questions, read the whole text again as well as your answers, to check that it all makes sense.

Questions 16-20: Five sentences have been removed from the text below. For each question, choose the correct answer. There are three extra sentences which you do not need to use.

Creating a youth club

Last summer our town achieved something quite special. We created a youth club in the town centre. Before that there was absolutely nothing for the young people to do after school and at the weekends. (16) _____ It took a long time to finally open the youth club. First of all, we had to find a building that we could use. We put up posters all over the town asking people to help us find a place. We were very lucky because after a couple of weeks someone said we could have an old shop that had been closed for a year. (17) _____ Best of all, he said, we did not have to pay anything to use it. The only thing we had to promise to do was to keep it in good condition.

Once we had a building, lots of people came to help us paint the rather dirty rooms and put furniture in it. (18) _____ Then, a big business in the town gave us three computers and a large TV. The local football team gave us some sport and fitness

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equipment and they send a coach twice a week to do health and fitness classes with us. (19) _____ There we can buy drinks and snacks. My mother often bakes cakes for the cafe. We also do lots of art at the youth club. We put our pictures on the walls to make the place look really interesting and colourful.

I think the most important thing about our youth club though is that it is a place that young people can go to if they are feeling lonely and want someone to talk to. Also, there is a homework room where we can sit quietly and study. This is useful to me because I have to share a room with my little sister at home. (20) _____ Obviously that makes it hard for me to concentrate on my school work.

Creating the youth club, in my opinion, is the best thing that has happened in our town recently.

A. We didn't have to buy anything as so many people gave us chairs, tables, etc.
B. However, the shop wasn't suitable for what we needed.
C. I love her very much but she talks all the time and makes a lot of noise.
D. As a result, people were very bored and it was difficult to make new friends.
E. The building was clean and bright so we didn't have to do anything to it.
F. She always behaves very well because she is shy and quiet.
G. The owner did not want to rent it to anyone and that's why he said we could use it permanently.
H. Some of the parents run a small cafe in the youth club, too.

READING PART 5

Exam Tips

- First, skim (read quickly) through the text in order to get an understanding of what the text is about.
- Look at the six gaps and select the correct option; that is the answer that makes sense and at the same time makes the sentence grammatically correct.
- After selecting your answer, read the sentence with the other answer options to make sure that they are wrong.
- When you have selected all the correct answers, read the text again to make sure that all the sentences are now grammatically correct and that they sound right.

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Questions 21-26: For each question, choose the correct answer.

Youth Cafes

In many parts of the UK, there are few places for young people to go that are entertaining but cost little. The **21** _____ of youth cafés is one that has grown in recent years. The cafés are places **22** _____ young people can relax in a safe environment.

People come for different reasons. Some want to socialize with their friends. Others like to **23** _____ part in the activities offered. Others are **24** _____ on using the computers and facilities.

The cafés are set up by young people for young people with adult support. For this reason, when cafés are being planned, young people **25** _____ be involved in doing the research, the planning and the general decision-making. In this **26** _____ , organizers can be sure that the cafés will be popular with young people in the area.

21. A. aim	B. idea	C. plan	D. view
22. A. what	B. where	C. which	D. who
23. A. get	B. have	C. make	D. take
24. A. attracted	B. interested	C. keen	D. happy
25. A. need	B. ought	C. should	D. would
26. A. course	B. direction	C. route	D. way

READING PART 6

Exam Tips

- First, you should skim through the whole text to get a general understanding.
- Then, look at all the gaps one by one and try to think of one word that could be the correct answer.
- Check that you are spelling the words right.
- When you have answered all the questions, read the whole text again to make sure that the sentences make sense now, and that they are grammatically correct.

Questions 27-32: For each question, write the correct word. Write one word for each gap.

Starting at college

Hi, my name's Emma. Welcome to the college! I've been studying here for a year now. Starting at college isn't easy, but I'm sure you'll soon feel at home. When I first started

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studying here last year, I was (27) ..... nervous that I couldn't even ask anyone for help. I got lost five times on my first day!
Remember that (28) ..... student at the college has been new at one time, and understands how you feel. So (29) ..... you're not sure where to go, just ask – we're all happy to help!
You probably don't know many people here. To make some friends, (30) ..... not spend break times with some of your new classmates in the café? Or how (31) ..... joining one of the many clubs we have at the college? (32) ..... are lots to choose from.
Good luck on your new course!



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