ΘΕΜΑ 1. ΚΑΤΑΝΟΗΣΗ ΓΡΑΠΤΟΥ ΛΟΓΟΥ

Read the text and choose the correct option (A, B or C) for items 1-10.

In Carcassonne, southern France, a police officer who exchanged himself for hostages during a French supermarket siege has died. After a series of attacks claimed by the Islamic State the attacker was shot dead.

Just after 10am on Friday, Radouane Lakdim, 25, a Moroccan who lived in Carcassonne, stopped a white Opel Corsa on the outskirts of Carcassonne, before shooting and killing the passenger and seriously injuring the driver. Then he drove off in the car to a riot police squad building and shot at four officers 200 metres away who had been jogging. He seriously wounded one of the group and finally drove to a Super U supermarket, 8km away in Trebes, a town near Carcassonne. At about 11am, he walked into the shop shouting Allahu Akbar and claiming he was a soldier of the Islamic State. Then Lakdim opened fire, killing one supermarket worker and one customer.



Policemen attempting to evacuate the supermarket found Lakdim holding several hostages. A police officer volunteered to take the hostages' place. The gunman agreed to the exchange, so the officer stayed with him while others were evacuated. The officer, named Lt Col Arnaud Beltrame, left his mobile phone line open on a table so security forces outside the supermarket could hear what was going on inside. When the security forces heard that a shot was fired, they immediately **stormed** the supermarket, shot Lakdim dead and found Lt Col Arnaud Beltrame seriously injured. Early on Saturday morning, the French interior ministry said that Beltrame had died from his injuries.

(Words: 256)

1. The text talks about
- **A.** a police officer who shot an Islamic State soldier.
- **B.** a French soldier who opened fire at a supermarket.
- **C.** a police officer who was killed after saving other people's lives.

2. Who would be most interested in reading this text?
- **A.** University students.
- **B.** The general public.
- **C.** French soldiers.

3. Lakdim was
- **A.** born in Morocco but lived in France.
- **B.** a French soldier who lived in Carcassonne.
- **C.** from France but lived in Morocco.

4. Lakdim drove in a white Opel car that he had stolen
- **A.** from a police officer.
- **B.** after injuring the driver.
- **C.** after killing the driver.

5. Before entering the supermarket, Lakdim had shot at
- **A.** one person who was jogging.
- **B.** four people who were jogging.
- **C.** six people who were jogging.

6. Lt Col Arnaud Beltrame
- **A.** offered to take the hostages' place.
- **B.** was holding several hostages.
- **C.** was asked to take the hostages' place.

7. The security forces knew what was going on in the supermarket because
- **A.** Beltrame was talking to them on the phone.
- **B.** Beltrame's mobile phone was left on.
- **C.** Lakdim was shouting at the hostages.

8. When the security forces entered the supermarket
- **A.** Lakdim was dead.
- **B.** Lakdim was badly injured.
- **C.** they killed Lakdim.

9. In the text, the underlined word "**stormed**" is closest in meaning to
- **A.** fired at
- **B.** rushed into
- **C.** shot at

10. Lt Col Arnaud Beltrame
- **A.** was saved by the French Interior Minister.
- **B.** died a day after the supermarket attack.
- **C.** was found dead by the French Interior Minister.

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ΘΕΜΑ 2ο. ΛΕΞΙΚΟΓΡΑΜΜΑΤΙΚΗ

Fill each gap in sentences 11-20 with the correct word from the box below (A-J). Use each option only once.

A.	forces	**B.**	claimed	**C.**	firing	**D.**	wounded	**E.**	injuries
F.	attempting	**G.**	seriously	**H.**	exchange	**I.**	finally	**J.**	shot

11.	I suppose you're not _____ thinking of leaving the country, are you?
12.	The family was lucky enough to get out of the crashed car without any serious _____.
13.	Without warning the armed man started_____ at the crowd and injured four people.
14.	They were given food and a room to spend their night in _____ for their help.
15.	Three policemen were seriously _____ when a car bomb exploded outside the police station last Saturday.
16.	The bank robber was _____ dead after pulling gun on a police officer.
17.	There's no point in _____ to make him change his mind; he's determined to go.
18.	In the Netherlands, you can join the army _____ when you reach the age of 16, but you are not allowed to fight in battles abroad until you reach the age of 20.
19.	The company _____ that it was not responsible for the pollution of the river.
20.	After looking for a job for months, he _____ found one at the nearby bakery.

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