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TEST UNITS 1-4
Group A Prepare 6

READING

You are going to read an article about water. Six sentences have been removed from the article. Choose from the sentences A-G the one that fits each gap (1-6). There is one extra sentence which you do not need to use.

- A. While plants certainly need water in order to grow, the way we supply that water need to be efficient.
- B. Ocean water is salty and cannot be used for drinking.
- C. Collecting rainwater in tanks is an excellent way to provide water for outdoor uses such as watering the garden or washing the car.
- D. In general, too many people use too much water every day.
- E. Much of the used water in the world could be treated and reused for industrial or farming purposes.
- F. Turn off the tap when you brush your teeth.
- G. Scientists predict that by year 2050, the world's population will have reached nine billion!

Fresh Water Report

Question: *Where in the world is there fresh water?*

Answer: Approximately 70% of the world's fresh water is frozen in the snow and glaciers of Antarctica. Another 30% is located deep underground throughout the Earth. Surprisingly, all the rivers and lakes of the world together contain less than a quarter of 1% of the total amount of available fresh water! So the amount of freshwater available for drinking in the world is actually very small.

Question: *Is that enough water for everyone?*

Answer: With an ever-growing world population of six billion people, our water supplies are dangerously low. The future looks very uncertain. **1** With that number of people, our water supplies will be overburdened and could possibly run out. Even today in many developing countries, only a very small percentage of people have daily access to clean drinking water. Although it may seem impossible when you look around you, we are running out of water.

Question: *What are the causes of a dwindling water supply?*

Answer: Careless overuse is one of the primary reasons the world's water supply is decreasing. **2** Washing cars, watering expensive green lawns, throwing away used water that could be recycled for another use are all examples of the way we take our precious water for granted.

Many homes and businesses also have inefficient or broken plumbing systems that leak and waste large amounts of water. If they are not repaired, these leaks can cause serious problems. Irrigation for farming also uses excessive amounts of water. **3** Otherwise a lot of it is wasted.

Question: *What can people do to make sure we have enough water?*

Answer: There are many ways individuals and society can help conserve water. One way is to simply become more water-conscious and less wasteful. Think before you throw water down

the drain. **4** Spend five minutes in the shower instead of 15. Fill the sink with enough water to rinse the soap off the dishes, but don't leave the water running!

Another good way to save water is to find new and improved ways to clean 'dirty' water. **5** The development of appropriate techniques will take some investment, but it is a very wise decision.

Finally, communities can help by looking for alternative ways of supplying water. **6** This is a simple and inexpensive solution that will save fresh water for other important uses.

In general, people should consider exactly how much water they need and not use even a drop more!

VOCABULARY

Complete the sentences with the following words

1. When I was a child my oldest sister used to p_____ o_____ me.
2. I look ridiculous in this uniform! Everybody will l_____ a_____ me at school!
3. I loved that film because I felt i_____ w_____ the main character.
4. When a volcano e_____, lava runs from the top down its side.
5. The Tsunami in 1976 k_____ o_____ the whole forest of Maldives.
6. In times of drought, it is easy to find w_____ burning fields in the south of the country.
7. During an e_____, everything shakes violently.
8. The musicians were great but the p_____ of the band was quite poor in general.
9. When The Beatles started they got a m_____ h_____ immediately.
10. R_____ are a list of requests that a band make before they agree to perform.

WORD FORMATION

Use the word given to form a word that fits in the gap in the same line. There's an example at the beginning.

Should we stop flying on holiday?

One of the problems with comparing the 1. _____ (CONTRIBUTE) of different forms of transport is that they all take different routes. We looked at a hypothetical journey from London to Naples in Italy and calculated the carbon 2. _____ (EMIT) released into the atmosphere by making the journey by air, land and sea. We also considered some more 3. _____ (USUAL) options. Would travelling by horse actually be carbon neutral, for example? A horse emits about 18 kg of methane a year. This is equivalent to 378 carbon units because methane is 21 times more 4. _____ (POWER) than carbon dioxide. We can calculate the total contribution by 5. _____ (WORK) out the number of days it would take to make this journey and 6. _____ (MULTIPLY) this by the methane emitted each day. Going on holiday by horse may appeal to cowboys, but our trip to Italy would take two months each way. 7. _____ (SURPRISE), the car is the next best 8. _____ (CHOOSE), assuming there are three people 9. _____ (SHARE) it. But for a single trip the train would be the 10. _____ (GREEN) option.

REPHRASING

Complete the second sentence so that it means the same as the first one using no more than five words.

1. The tickets don't cost as much as last year. (less)
The tickets _____ last year.
2. The tea was too hot to drink. (hot)
The tea was _____ I couldn't drink it.
3. Lucia does much better than me Math. (as)
I don't _____ Lucia in Math.
4. I find Geography much more difficult than Spanish. (far)
I find Spanish _____ Geography.
5. I ate my lunch and then I called Matt. (when)
I called Matt _____ my lunch.
6. I lost my keys, so I couldn't enter home. (had)
I couldn't enter home because I _____
7. Mark arrived and then, I prepared dinner. (arrived)
_____, I prepared dinner.
8. The dress was so expensive that I didn't buy it. (too)
The dress was _____ it.
9. We finished the test some minutes ago. (just)
We _____ test.
10. I haven't been to Rome before. (first)
This is the _____ to Rome.