

For questions **17–24**, read the text below. Use the word given in capitals at the end of some of the lines to form a word that fits in the gap **in the same line**. There is an example at the beginning (0).

Write your answer **IN CAPITAL LETTERS** on the separate answer sheet.

Example: **0** **UNUSUAL**

Tips! Don't worry if you can't understand every word of the text. Read the rubric and title carefully first, then read through the text to see what it is about.

Read the whole sentence before you put a word in the gap.

You have to decide what kind of word fits the gap (noun, verb, adjective or adverb). Read the sentence carefully to check which one is needed.

Gliding

What's the most (0) birthday present you've ever been given? How would you feel if your birthday surprise turned out to be an (17) to gliding? That's exactly what happened to me – when I was only 8 years old!

USUAL

INTRODUCE

I'd never experienced anything like it – absolutely (18) ! After that I was hooked, so my parents arranged another (19) for me as soon as they could, and then I started taking lessons. It's been the perfect (20) for me – I learn a lot and I'm outside too, which I love.

BELIEVE

FLY

ACTIVE

I don't think my friends really understand my (21) , though. They're more into music and fashion. I enjoy those, too, but there's nothing to beat the (22) views I get from inside the glider.

ENTHUSIASTIC

DRAMA

Anyway, I finally flew solo on my 16th birthday, which was the (23) I could possibly do it. And soon I'm due to compete in some national gliding (24) Wish me luck!

EARLY

CHAMPION

