Extra Training

Use of English
Task 272

For questions 1-12, read the text below and decide which answer best fits each gap.

Laura's endeavour.



Amid much controversy, 16-year-old Laura Dekker, and her boat Guppy, have completed what many are calling a record-breaking solo global navigation.

Unfortunately, however, Guinness World Records say they no **1**_____ have a record for the youngest sailor. They, like the Dutch authorities who tried to **2**_____ Laura's 27,000-mile trip around the world, feel **3**_____ record-breaking attempts are far too risky for such a young **4**_____.

Dutch school officials were also against Laura's endeavour as they were of the **5**_____ that she should be in the classroom learning, not on a small boat sailing the high **6**_____.

However, unlike Abby Sutherland and Jessica Watson - two other teenagers who have sailed the globe – Laura **7**_____ at ports all along the way to sleep, repair her 38-foot boat, and **8**_____ up on homework.

While it may be **9**_____ that Laura hasn't spent as much time in formal education as **10**_____ her age she has studied weather, tides, navigation and naval regulations extensively.

11_____, she gave ten percent of all donations she received to the wildlife protection agency Sea Shepherd Netherlands - and that is a lesson in caring and generosity that we should all **12**_____.

1.	**1.** wider	**2.** higher	**3.** longer	**4.** deeper
2.	**1.** close	**2.** block	**3.** plug	**4.** check
3.	**1.** so	**2.** such	**3.** what	**4.** how
4.	**1.** player	**2.** opponent	**3.** contestant	**4.** participant
5.	**1.** opinion	**2.** mind	**3.** idea	**4.** view
6.	**1.** waters	**2.** oceans	**3.** seas	**4.** lakes
7.	**1.** parked	**2.** embarked	**3.** docked	**4.** landed
8.	**1.** hold	**2.** make	**3.** keep	**4.** catch
9.	**1.** true	**2.** honest	**3.** real	**4.** truthful
10.	**1.** them	**2.** another	**3.** those	**4.** others
11.	**1.** Therefore	**2.** Although	**3.** Despite	**4.** Furthermore
12.	**1.** discover	**2.** learn	**3.** notice	**4.** spot

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