DAY 50. PRACTICE TEST

Part 1: Grammar

Task 1: Complete the text with the correct form of the verbs in in brackets. Sometimes more than one answer is possible.

Broken dreams?

Fracturing a bone is bad enough, but when you break your leg, the road to recovery can seem especially long and tedious. It was a few years ago when my brother got injured in a football match and was taken to hospital, only **(1)** ..... (find out) that he had fractured three bones. He was devastated and thought it would change his life dramatically. We all tried **(2)** ..... (encourage) him to stay positive and helped him in his recovery; although we feared **(3)** ..... (go) back to professional football could become an unattainable dream for him. He tried **(4)** ..... (not worry) too much and instead focused on **(5)** ..... (keep) active to improve his health both physically and mentally.

Following the incident, he had three operations and a long recovery period. Six weeks after his last operation, he began **(6)** ..... (take) regular exercise to strengthen his muscles. We were told that the usual healing time for a minor fracture was six to eight weeks but as he turned out **(7)** ..... (break) three bones he should expect **(8)** ..... (have) his leg in a cast for at least 16 weeks. I recall him **(9)** ..... (get up) early to exercise every morning. His doctor suggested **(10)** ..... (see) a physiotherapist three times a week, but he decided **(11)** ..... (train) every day. **(12)** ..... (endure) pain was difficult for him but he refused **(13)** ..... (give) in. He kept **(14)** ..... (say) 'I am prepared **(15)** ..... (do) whatever it takes to go back to professional sport' and that's exactly what he did.

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Task 2: Complete the text with the correct form of the verbs in in brackets. Sometimes more than one answer is possible.

Run sister run!

When my sister asked me if I fancied **(1)** ..... (go) for a run with her, I tried **(2)** ..... (show) how pleased I was that she'd asked me to join her, and tried **(3)** ..... (keep) a straight face.

I was excited by the idea of training with my sister, the Olympic champion, only **(4)** ..... (realise) later that I wasn't the only one she had invited and we would be accompanied by a few friends. We were going to meet up at Paradise Park where she had planned to take us through a three-hour practice session. Moving to the country had allowed us **(5)** ..... (run) the most beautiful trails; the place where she first started **(6)** ..... (train) ten years ago and went on **(7)** ..... (excel) in running. She always seeks **(8)** ..... (improve) her performance. I certainly regret **(9)** ..... (spend) more time training with her when I had the opportunity. I still remember her **(10)** ..... (get up) early to go for a run in cold winter. I always pretended **(11)** ..... (be) busy or tired when she asked me if I was interested in joining her. At that time her goal **(12)** ..... (become) an Olympian seemed unrealistic but her motivation and hard work paid off. She turned out **(13)** ..... (do) all the right things to realise her dream while I refused **(14)** ..... (plan) anything and enjoyed the uncertainty that came with it. Do I regret it now? In hindsight, **(15)** ..... (live) on the edge wasn't the wisest thing to do.

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