Unit 5: Exercise 8

Read the information. Then read the sentence beginnings 1–3. Quickly find the information in the Reading passage that matches each sentence beginning. Complete each sentence with the correct ending in the box. You do not need to use all the endings.

In the IELTS Reading test, you might be asked to identify ways in which ideas are connected. You will need to match one idea with another, using information from the Reading passage. Be careful! The information in the questions may use different words to those used in the passage.

According to a recent survey, participating in some kind of voluntary activity can have a positive effect on your well-being. Almost half of those who were questioned in the research said that they felt better and happier as a result of doing something for their local community.

This is not the only positive result of becoming a volunteer. People who are already in full-time employment are also using their free time to help others. Apart from wanting to give something back to their society, they believe that it could enhance their job prospects in the future.

Far from discouraging this, many of their employers are all too happy to get involved in voluntary activities. Almost two-thirds of companies who were approached in the survey said that they wanted to do more to help the areas in which they operated, especially in relation to funding local schools and hospitals.

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are more likely to volunteer than people who are older.	expressed a wish to increase the amount of work they do for local communities.
include working with children and local hospitals.	reported an improvement in their state of mind.
think that doing this could lead to a better career.	

1 Nearly 50% of people who took part in voluntary activities

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2 Many employees who engage in voluntary work

3 The majority of businesses

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