Reading and Use of English Part 1

Multiple-choice cloze

5 For questions 1–9, read the text below and decide which answer (A, B, C or D) best fits each gap.

Mentoring

When embarking on a new (1) _____ path or setting (2) _____ a new business, you're fortunate if you can find a good mentor. One basic definition of a mentor is 'someone who acts (3) _____ a trusted guide or adviser'. The person who receives guidance is called a mentee.

Most mentors are older people in higher positions in an organisation and they (4) _____ a lot of time and energy to helping individuals succeed. Moreover, they usually offer their services for free. Why do they do it? The answer is that, (5) _____ not being paid, mentors often get (6) _____ personal satisfaction from advising a mentee and having the opportunity to pass on their experience.

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In many cases, they themselves can recall (7) _____ mentored earlier in their careers and they recognise how much they benefited from the relationship. As a result, they are (8) _____ to be a positive influence on others. Nothing pleases them more than to inspire

their mentees to (9) _____ their dreams and overcome challenges they may face.

1	A career	B job	C work	D position
2	A up	B out	C on	D in
3	A to	B for	C as	D by
4	A take	B devote	C kill	D show
5	A even	B although	C despite	D nonetheless
6	A great	B far	C total	D large
7	A being	B having	C been	D to be
8	A fond	B want	C interested	D keen
9	A conclude	B fulfil	C succeed	D accomplish

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The appeal of the horror movie

In my view, the point of (1) _____ to the cinema is to experience something different (2) _____everyday life. With this escapism in mind, it is clear what cinemagoers (3) _____ out of watching a comedy, romance or musical. The (4) _____ of these genres seems to be pure, sheer entertainment. A science fiction movie or (5) _____drama transports the viewer to another time in the future or the past.

Similarly, watching an adventure film plunges you into a very exciting and unusual kind of situation, (6) _____is also a way to escape from reality. (7) _____, I just don't understand the lure of horror films. Surely people (8) _____ benefit from being shocked and terrified by scenes of blood and gore. Perhaps the appeal is something to do with how you feel afterwards – that life is not (9) _____ as awful as it could be!

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1	A go	B to go	C going	D have gone
2	A than	B from	C at	D of
3	A have	B make	C achieve	D get
4	A purpose	B reason	C wish	D attempt
5	A ancient	B historic	C old	D period
6	A what	B which	C that	D who
7	A However	B Though	C Despite	D Moreover
8	A mustn't	B couldn't	C can't	D may not
9	A far	B almost	C nearly	D any

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