

Vocabulary

A Choose the correct item.

- 1 When we burn fossil we produce carbon dioxide. 
A exhausts B gases C powers D fuels
- 2 Warm temperatures in the Arctic are causing the ice to 
A happen B melt C drop D form
- 3 He works at a station in Antarctica. 
A research B youth C science D survey
- 4 Sea are rising due to global warming. 
A reserves B waves C levels D piles
- 5 Paul took a course to learn how to live in the mountains. 
A survival B marine C warrior D rescue
- 6 The hotel has a offer on room rates for the long weekend. 
A serious B special C typical D classic
- 7 He followed the through the forest. 
A shore B footpath C hike D wilderness
- 8 There are a lot of in Antarctica because of the cold temperatures. 
A drizzles B floods C heatwaves D blizzards
- 9 Dinosaurs became a(n) species millions of years ago. 
A threatened B natural C extinct D protective
- 10 The weather is becoming; changing from day to day. 
A rocky B unpredictable C breathtaking D mild

B Circle the correct item.

- 1 Animals that live in Antarctica must **adapt** / **alter** to extreme temperatures. 
- 2 They **lost** / **missed** their way in the forest. 
- 3 The rescue team **noticed** / **spotted** the survivors. 
- 4 Some animals are in great **threat** / **danger** from global warming. 
- 5 We admired the **natural** / **stunning** view of the bay. 

Grammar

C Choose the correct item. 

- 1 If it is windy, we kitesurfing. 
A go B will go C would go
- 2 I wish I my first-aid kit on my camping trip. 
A had brought B bring C brought
- 3 If I you, I would go ice climbing. 
A am B had been C were
- 4 I sailing when I go on holiday next month. 
A am going B going C go
- 5 If they had brought a compass, they their way. 
A won't lose B wouldn't have lost C wouldn't lose
- 6 This tent fits four people. I it. 
A am buying B buy C will buy
- 7 We will go sailing it rains. 
A if B since C unless
- 8 If they a fire, they wouldn't have kept warm. 
A didn't light B won't light C hadn't lit
- 9 If you ice in water, it floats. 
A will drop B would drop C drop
- 10 The train to London at 9:00 am tomorrow. 
A leaves B going to leave C is leaving
- 11 James to Nicaragua tonight. 
A flies B going to fly C is flying
- 12 I promise I a life jacket when I go river bugging. 
A am wearing B will wear C wear
- 13 Paul up for a sailing course this summer. 
A is going to sign B signing C signs
- 14 I wish I more friends who liked extreme sports. 
A have B had had C had
- 15 Phillip paintballing in the forest this weekend. 
A played B is going C goes

Reading

D Read the text. Five sentences are missing.

Match the sentences (A-F) to the gaps (1-5).

There is one extra sentence. 

1  A As its name suggests the Dead Sea doesn't have much life.

2  B The high salt content also gives the water healing properties.

3  C But this is not its only claim to fame.

4  D Unfortunately, and in large part due to human activity, the Dead Sea has been shrinking.

5  E In fact, this is the only place in the world where you can lie down on the water and read a book.

F It's not surprising then that as early as the first century BC it was a health resort.

A Very Deadly Place

Deep in a valley bordering Jordan to the east and Israel to the west is the Dead Sea, one of the most spectacular natural features in the world. With its surface and shores located at 423 m below sea level, it is the world's lowest land elevation. 1  The Dead Sea is also one of the world's saltiest bodies of water and, with a maximum depth of 377 m, is the deepest landlocked salt lake in the world. Rainfall is scarce in the area and the amount of water that evaporates from the surface of the sea is greater than the amount that flows into it. This maintains the high salt content of the water and the rocks lining its shores are covered in shiny white salt crystals giving them a whitish snow-covered appearance.

2  This is due to the high concentration of salt in the water, which makes it a very hostile environment for fish and aquatic plants. People, however, have been coming to the Dead Sea for thousands of years. In ancient times, the lake and its shores supplied a variety of natural products including fertilisers, cosmetics and even balms for Egyptian mummification. Its water also contains up to 35 minerals such as magnesium, calcium and potassium that can be used for health and beauty purposes.

In fact, it was known throughout the Mediterranean and the Middle East for its healing properties. **3**

Today, people still come to the Dead Sea in the hope of relieving pain caused by conditions such as arthritis and rheumatism or simply to relax and nourish their skin in its unique waters. And because the salt content is four times that of most of the world's oceans, you can float in the Dead Sea without even trying, which makes swimming here a truly relaxing experience. **4** The area has become both a tourist attraction and a major centre for health research and many pharmaceutical companies have been set up there. It also supplies neighbouring countries with a range of natural resources. **5**

Scientists say that the water level is decreasing by almost a metre per year and if something isn't done, this natural treasure could be lost.

Everyday English

G Choose the correct response. 

1 A: How can I help you? 

B: a We have a room on the first floor.
b I'd like to book a room, please.

2 A: Do you want a double or a single room? 

B: a A single room, please.
b That sounds good.

3 A: How much is it per night? 

B: a It's £85.
b It's 18th June.

4 A: Does that include breakfast? 

B: a Great.
b Yes, it does.

5 A: Can I book it then, please? 

B: a Certainly!
b 5th May, for two nights!