

ΘΕΜΑ 1. ΚΑΤΑΝΟΗΣΗ ΓΡΑΠΤΟΥ ΛΟΓΟΥ

Read the text and choose the correct option (A, B or C) for items 1-10.

When asked to give their opinion, 94% of Americans agree that animals raised for food deserve to live free from bad treatment and cruelty. Yet the majority of the nearly 10 billion farm animals raised each year in the United States suffer in conditions that consumers would not accept if they could see them. Most of our meat, milk and eggs come from industrial farms where efficiency is considered more important than animal welfare and, therefore, animals are paying the price.



To give specific examples, approximately 8.5 billion chickens are killed for their meat every year in the U.S., while another 300 million chickens are used in egg production. All birds from egg-laying hens and meat chickens to turkeys, ducks, geese and others are kept out from all animal protection laws. Consequently, these animals are in urgent need of protection. The American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (ASPCA) is focused on making people aware of the unpleasant state of chickens raised for meat and is working actively with companies that buy or raise chickens.

Many people do not realize that the breed of chicken used for modern egg production is different from the breed used for meat production. If you put them next to each other, they look almost nothing alike! Each has been raised according to a plan for hyperproduction: egg-laying hens for high egg volume, and "meat" chickens for maximum breast meat.

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1. The main purpose of the text is to
A. promote egg production. B. inform about animal farms. C. advise on animal protection.
2. This type of text can be found in a(n)
A. science magazine. B. food magazine. C. animal magazine.
3. The majority of Americans believe that animals raised for food should be treated
A. without cruelty. B. violently. C. with no care.
4. In industrial animal farms in the U.S., animal welfare is considered less important than
A. food production. B. workers' welfare. C. consumers' welfare.
5. According to the text, all types of birds in the U.S. are
A. protected by animal laws. B. not mentioned in animal laws. C. protected in animal farms.
6. The American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (ASPCA) mainly aims at
A. hiding what is happening in chicken farms. B. letting people know what is happening in chicken farms. C. telling the truth about animal protection laws.
7. Chickens raised for egg production and chickens raised for meat production look
A. different. B. unhealthy. C. similar.
8. In the text, the underlined word 'they' refers to
A. the farm animals. B. the farm conditions. C. the consumers.
9. In the text, the underlined phrase 'aware of' is closest in meaning to
A. informed about. B. anxious about. C. happy about.
10. In the text, the underlined word 'volume' is closest in meaning to
A. quality. B. amount. C. protection.

ΘΕΜΑ 2^α. ΛΕΞΙΚΟΓΡΑΜΜΑΤΙΚΗ

Fill each gap in sentences 11-20 with the correct word from the box below (A-J). Use each option only once.

A. cruelty	B. protection	C. maximum	D. accepted	E. raised
F. production	G. treatment	H. focused	I. urgent	J. alike

11. He was born and ____ in a small village near Patras but moved to Athens when he found a job in an international company.
12. When the kitchen was finished, she ____ her attention on the garden and turned it into a small paradise.
13. The most ____ thing in case of fire is to make sure that everyone has left the building.
14. The speed limit on most Australian highways is 100 kph, only a few roads allow you to travel at a ____ speed of 110 kph.
15. The farmer was accused of ____ to animals he was supposed to care for and protect.
16. Our tent provided little ____ against the summer rainstorm.
17. Parents should be fair and treat all their children ____.
18. She has never ____ advice from anyone; she is so stubborn she wants to do things her way.
19. The government has asked all companies to reduce the amount of chemicals used in food ____.
20. All school students should receive equal ____ by their teachers.