MINI-TEST

<u>Exercise 1:</u> Choose the correct word or phrase, A, B, C or D to complete the sentences.

Điền đáp án (chữ cái: A, B, C, D) vào ô trống.

1. '..... a good time in London?'

   'I like it here, but I don't know anybody'.

   A You have **B** Have you **C** Are you having **D** You having

2. 'Many only children would like to have siblings.'

   'Yes, they sometimes ..... lonely and bored on their own.'

   A are getting **B** getting **C** to get **D** get

3. 'Why ..... so hard these days?'

   'I am revising for my exams because my father promised that I would get a car if I pass all of them!'

   A do you work **B** are you work **C** you work **D** are you working

4. 'Can we talk now?' 'I can't talk now. I ..... in class.'

   A am being **B** be **C** am **D** being

5. 'Is there ..... we can see tonight?'

   'I don't think so. There's nothing interesting on at the moment.'

   A a movie **B** movie **C** the movie **D** movies

6. 'What .....? ''He's an architect.'

   A does your father do **C** is your father doing

   B is your father do **D** is it your father

7. '..... on well with your brother?'

   'No, we always fight.'

   A Are you get **B** Do you get **C** Are you getting **D** Get you

8. 'My twin sister ..... that her boyfriend might prefer me.'

   'And do you like him at all?'

   A worried **B** worrying **C** worry **D** is worried

LIVEWORKSHEETS

Exercise 2: Complete each sentence with a word formed from the word in bracket.

1. Many people have no ..... in ghosts. (BELIEVE)
2. Tina had no ..... that anything was wrong. (SUSPECT)
3. We measured the ..... of the room with a ruler. (LONG)
4. Our teacher was really ..... when she found out what we were doing. (ANGER)
5. George won a medal for ..... (BRAVE)
6. Looking in the mirror too much is an example of ..... (VAIN)
7. Do you think you have the ..... to pass the test? (ABLE)

READING

Look at the sentences below about a hot-air balloon festival.

Read the text to decide if each sentence is correct or incorrect.

*If it is correct, mark **A***

*If it is incorrect, mark **B***

1. ____ The Albuquerque Balloon Festival lasts over a week.
2. ____ The first festival took place at the opening of the local radio station.
3. ____ The pilot use hand signals to communicate with each other.
4. ____ The "balloon glow" happens before sunrise and after sunset.
5. ____ Members of the public are forbidden to enter the balloon take-off area.
6. ____ Some advertising balloons join the festival.
7. ____ You can take a balloon ride to the top of the nearby mountains.
8. ____ You can watch a firework show every evening of the festival.

LIVEWORKSHEETS

The Albuquerque Balloon Festival

Every autumn, the sky above the desert city of Albuquerque in the south-western United States turns into a mass of bright colours. This is the Albuquerque Balloon Festival, an annual nine-day event.

The first festival was held in 1972 to celebrate the 50th birthday of the local radio station. There were about a dozen hot-air balloons and they took off from the car park in the middle of Albuquerque. From these small beginnings, the festival has grown steadily. This year at least a thousand balloons from over one third of the countries of the world are expected at its current out-of-town site.

What to see

The pilots are in radio contact with each other and all light up the burners of their balloon at the same time. These are known as "balloon glows" and are an opportunity to take fantastic photographs. However, you must arrive just after night has fallen or before 5.30 am to see these "glows" as the balloons rise into the dark sky.

During the day, you can walk around among the balloons and chat to the pilots as they prepare for take-off. These balloons come in all sizes and colours, some in the shapes of animals or cartoon characters – and, of course, well-known products such as varieties of soft drinks and fast food. Kids will love it.

In the afternoon, why not take to the sky yourself by arranging a balloon fight over the desert with one of the many companies offering balloon rides? Another possibility is to take the cable car from the desert floor to the top of the nearby mountains, the longest such ride anywhere, and enjoy a bird's-eye view of the festival. There are plenty of other

LIVEWORKSHEETS

attractions for visitors of all ages, including balloon races and firework displays on the opening evening and the last three evenings of the festival.

The Albuquerque Box

This is a local wind pattern that creates perfect conditions for balloonists. The Sandia Mountains protect the balloons from strong winds, and at the same time create gentler currents of wind at different heights. This means that by rising or descending, skillful pilots can control the direction of their balloons.

Practical advice

Buy your tickets in advance (they are available online) and save yourself a long wait to get into the festival site. Wear several layers of thin clothing. At night and in the early morning it can be quite cool, but during the day sunglasses and sun cream are essential. Bring a flashlight for night-time events and, of course, bring your camera. If you're not a digital photographer, you'll need high-speed film for evening and night-time pictures.

LIVEWORKSHEETS