

USE OF ENGLISH

Task 8

Read and complete the text below. For each of the empty space (39–48) choose the correct variant (A, B, C or D). Write your answers on the separate answer sheet.

CAREER CHOICES

How would you feel if the (39) _____ you've been doing for most of your life just moved offshore without any warning?

What if you just spent several years getting a(n) (40) _____ for what you thought would be a very hot job but later (41) _____ to be a very bad choice?

How would you like to know the secrets to choosing a satisfying (42) _____ that will also be a hot job?

By understanding the major (43) _____ that are affecting our lives, you will be able to play an active role in planning and (44) _____ your career. By understanding these trends you will have a better (45) _____ of seeing the big changes before they hit.

This look into the future will show you the hot jobs that are (46) _____ to have high demand and some that aren't. But more importantly this article will show you the (47) _____ of 'trend spotting' so that you can (48) _____ your own intelligent career choices.

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| 39 A task | B job | C work | D career |
| 40 A education | B learning | C tutoring | D studying |
| 41 A bring to light | B turned out | C manifest itself | D become apparent |
| 42 A fortune | B profession | C labour | D career |
| 43 A inclinations | B leanings | C drifts | D trends |
| 44 A referring | B aiming | C directing | D relegating |
| 45 A event | B chance | C occurrence | D potential |
| 46 A expected | B waited | C anticipated | D awaited |
| 47 A basics | B stem | C origin | D fundamentals |
| 48 A do | B practise | C make | |

Task 9

Read the text below. For each of the empty space (49–58) choose the correct variant (A, B, C or D).

An old man had three children, all boys. When they (49) _____ to manhood, he called them together and told them that now he was very old and (50) _____ able to provide, even for himself. He ordered them to go out and bring him food and clothing.

The three brothers set out, and after a very long time they came to a large river. As they (51) _____ on together for such a time, they decided that once they got across they (52) _____. The eldest told the youngest to take the middle road, and the second to go to the right, while he himself would go to the left. Then, in a year's time, they would come back to the same spot.

(53) _____ they parted, and at the end of a year, as agreed, they found their way back to the riverside. The eldest asked the youngest what he had got during his travels, and the boy replied: 'I have nothing but a mirror, but it has wonderful power. If you (54) _____ into it, you can see all over the country, no matter how far away.'

When asked in turn what he had got, the second brother replied: 'Only a pair of sandals that are so full of power, that if one (55) _____ them on he can walk at once to any place in the country in one step.'

Then the eldest himself, said: 'I, too, (56) _____ but little, a small calabash of medicine, that is all. But let us look into the mirror and see how father fares.'

The youngest produced his mirror, and they all looked into it and saw that their father was already dead and that even the funeral custom (57) _____. Then the elder said: 'Let us hasten home and see what we can do.' So the second brought out his sandals, and all three placed their feet inside them and, immediately, they were home to their (58) _____ grave. Then the eldest shook the medicine out of his bag, and poured it over the grave. At once their father rose as if nothing had been the matter with him.

Now which of these three sons has performed the best?

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| 49 A grew up | B grow up | C had grown up | D were growing up |
| 50 A no longer | B not longer | C any longer | D no long |
| 51 A went | B had gone | C were going | D would go |
| 52 A will separate | B would be separated | C were separated | D would separate |
| 53 A So | B As | C When | D If |
| 54 A will look | B would look | C are looking | D look |
| 55 A puts | B put | C had put | D was putting |
| 56 A had obtained | B was obtaining | C have obtained | D had been obtaining |
| 57 A was finished | B finished | C had been finished | D has been finished |
| 58 A fathers | B father's | C fathers' | D father |