Extra Training

Reading Task 1616

Part One. The following questions are incomplete sentences. Beneath each sentence you will see four words or phrases, marked (1-4). Choose the one word or phrase that completes the sentence correctly.

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1. Michael opened his eyes and for a moment couldn't understand what had happened. He tried to move, but the pain in his leg told him that _____. At once he recalled that terrible accident.

1. *the party had been a success* **3.** *his leg had been broken*
2. *all the illnesses were over* **4.** *he was sick and giddy*

2. The wheel of the bike made a sudden noise that sounded like "pooh!" and it became hard to ride. _____ Nick realised that he should keep to the right to avoid the cars and pressed the breaks.

1. *As he was driving to Ryazan* **3.** *The bike being new and light*
2. *The traffic being very heavy* **4.** *As the cars on the road were standing still*

3. The soup smelled delicious and John took the plate with the vapour coming up. He was extremely hungry and took a spoonful into his mouth. The soup was _____ that he couldn't help spitting it out.

1. *so unexpectedly salty* **3.** *so surprisingly tender and spicy*
2. *so unbelievably great* **4.** *of cabbage and parsley*

4. The train stopped and the feeling he hadn't had since his early teens entered his soul. _____ that he finally returned to the town between three rivers where he got the lessons of life from his mother and where he first realised how hard that life is.

1. *He looked at himself to see* **3.** *He couldn't say how really glad he was*
2. *He lit up a cigarette to show* **4.** *The houses outside were still small so*

5. Never to trust any man was a pattern of her life and when Nelly finally met the man whom she would really like to marry, _____ . No matter how hard she tried, she failed. So, her life was full of suspicious looks.

1. *she couldn't persuade him to marry her sister*
2. *she couldn't overcome the temptation to yield to the impulse*
3. *she couldn't overcome that dreadful habit*
4. *she couldn't resist being faithful to him up to his death*

6. The situation in which Jesse found himself was awful. That careless remark about Molly being better than his wife put her in bad with him. Since that day everything in the family changed completely. Their relations, always calm and tender, _____ and he was wondering whether he would be able to restore it.

1. *lacked their previous esteem to each other*
2. *now had an extremely powerful smell of garlic*
3. *changed the society around them*
4. *improved more and more in the direction of their late affairs*

Part Two. Choose the one word or phrase that suits the sense of the text correctly.

Precipitation, commonly referred to as rainfall, is a measure of the quantity of water in the form of either rain, hail, or snow which reaches the ground. The average annual precipitation over the whole of the United States is thirty-six inches. It should be understood however, that a foot of snow is not equal to a foot of precipitation. A general formula for computing the precipitation of snowfall is that thirty-eight inches of snow is equal to one inch of precipitation. In New York State, for example, seventy-six inches of snow in one year would be recorded as only two inches of precipitation. The total annual precipitation would be recorded as forty-two inches.

7. The term 'PRECIPITATION' includes

1. *only rainfall* **3.** *rain, snow, and humidity*
2. *rain, hail, and snow* **4.** *rain, hail, and humidity*

8. What is the average annual rainfall in inches in the United States?

1. *Thirty-six inches* **2.** *Thirty-eight inches* **3.** *Forty inches* **4.** *42 inches*

9. If a state has 152 inches of snow in a year, by how much does this increase the annual precipitation?

1. *By two feet* **2.** *By four inches* **3.** *By four feet* **4.** *By 152 inches*

10. Another word which is often used in place of 'PRECIPITATION' is

1. *humidity* **2.** *wetness* **3.** *rainfall* **4.** *rain-snow*



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