



Extra Training

Reading Task 1630

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.

1. Like most of the scientist Prof. Smith was so absent-minded. _____ and always had to return home for them. That's why he was usually late for the lectures.

1. He often lost his trousers
2. He used to forget the numbers
3. He used to leave his glasses at home
4. He hardly ever remembered the tasks

2. Belva Plain is not a well-known writer among the Russian students. _____ and not many of the students are fond of reading in the original.

1. She wrote mostly love stories
2. She doesn't have the fame like Steven King
3. Her books lacked real adventures
4. Her books were not translated

3. Who could foretell that "Saturn" would win in the game against "Spartak"? So when the match was over, _____. It was quite natural, because everyone in their native town had never expected such a result.

1. the fans were crying aloud with gloomy faces
2. the joy of the fans could hardly be described
3. the fights at the stadium were quite a usual thing after a victory.
4. all the walls in Moscow were painted blue-and-black, the colours of "Saturn"

Questions 14 through 16 are based on the following reading:

Tampa, Florida, owes a great deal of its growth and prosperity to a Cuban cigar manufacturer named Vicente Martinez Ybor. When the Cuban Revolution broke out in 1869, he was forced to flee his country and moved his business to south Florida. Sixteen years later serious problems caused him to seek a better location along the west coast of the state. His original land purchase of sixteen blocks expanded to more than one hundred acres near Tampa. This newly developed area was called Ybor City in his honour. With the demand for Factory workers for Ybor's business, the surrounding areas expanded and thrived.

4. Where is Ybor City located?

1. south Florida
2. Cuba
3. west Florida
4. in the Florida countryside

5. In what year was Ybor forced to leave south Florida?

1. 1869
2. 1895
3. 1854
4. 1885

6. Why will people probably continue to remember Ybor's name?

1. He suffered a great deal
2. An area was named in his honour
3. He was a Cuban revolutionary.
4. He was forced to flee his homeland.

Questions 17 through 20 are based on the following reading.

The First Amendment to the American Constitution declares freedom of the press to all men. Although this right was not officially adopted until 1791, the famous Zenger trial of 1735 laid the ground work for insuring this precious freedom.

John Peter Zenger emigrated as a teenager from Germany. In 1733 he began publishing the New York Weekly Journal, the following year, he was arrested for writing a story about the crown-appointed governor of New York. While he was imprisoned for nine months, Zenger's wife dutifully published the newspaper every day, bravely telling the truth about the corrupt government officials sent by the king to govern the colonies.

Finally, Zenger's long-awaited trial took place. The hostile judge dismissed Zenger's local lawyers, making it necessary for his wife to seek out Andrew Hamilton, a prominent Philadelphia lawyer. Persuaded by Hamilton, the jury bravely returned a not-guilty verdict defying the judge's orders for a conviction.

As a result of determination and bravery on the part of the colonists, a lasting victory for freedom of the press was set by a young immigrant.

7. John Peter Zenger was a _____.
 1. corrupt governor of New York 3. brave newspaper publisher
 2. famous lawyer 4. hostile judge

8. What political problem existed in the colonies at that time?
 1. Government officials were corrupt
 2. Newspapers exaggerated the truth about the political officials.
 3. Lawyers were hostile to witnesses
 4. All newspaper publishers were imprisoned.

9. How long did it take after the Zenger trial before the concept of freedom of the press was officially adopted?
 1. 9 months 2. 1 year 3. 56 years 4. 58 years

10. Which of the following is not true?
 1. Despite Zenger's imprisonment, his newspaper continued to be published
 2. Andrew Hamilton encouraged the jury to fight for freedom
 3. The jury obeyed the judge's orders and convicted Zenger.
 4. The king controlled the colonies through his own appointed rulers.