

3 EXAM TASK Read the text below. For questions (1–10) choose the correct answer (A, B, C or D).

Cabbies

London is famous for its distinctive black taxi cabs and expert taxi drivers. Their navigation skills and knowledge of the city ¹ _____ incredible.

Every person who wants ² _____ a taxi in London has to take a test commonly known as 'the Knowledge'. The training can take ³ _____ years and, at the end of this time, the driver has ⁴ _____ by heart more than 25,000 streets and their related landmarks: tourist attractions, government buildings, hospitals, police stations and many more.

Jamie Wilson ⁵ _____ a taxi in London for over 12 years now. He got his licence ⁶ _____ four years of intensive training. During this time, he was riding around London on a scooter memorizing every street, road, avenue and building. By the time he passed his exam, he ⁷ _____ over 25,000 streets. Later, he took ⁸ _____ course about the history and culture of the city and now he can entertain his passengers with historical facts and anecdotes. He gets a lot of passengers from ⁹ _____ over the world in his cab, and some celebrities, too. Last month he drove a famous footballer to the airport and they ¹⁰ _____ a fascinating chat about the history of football in the UK.

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| 1 | A is | B be | C are | D being |
| 2 | A drive | B driving | C driven | D to drive |
| 3 | A few | B much | C many | D most |
| 4 | A know | B known | C been known | D to know |
| 5 | A was driving | B is driving | C has been driving | D had been driving |
| 6 | A since | B for | C after | D before |
| 7 | A has been visiting | B had visited | C has visited | D having visited |
| 8 | A an | B a | C any | D many |
| 9 | A far | B all | C across | D around |
| 10 | A had | B had had | C have had | D used to have |