Extra Training

Reading Task 853

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

1. The morning was cool and windy and the clouds were running from the north. In such weather Jane _____ and Michael was really upset, because he was waiting for the trip for more than a month.

1. *would gladly go camping*
2. *would never agree to go camping*
3. *was always happy to join her friends at the club*
4. *wanted to be his wife*

2. The picture was wonderful. It was a landscape somewhere in the countryside in Europe with _____. Her face was shining with a smile in the rays of the rising sun.

1. *small rural houses and a cow*
2. *a little girl standing in front of a fifty-storey sky scraper*
3. *a beautiful girl watching the evening sky*
4. *a drive of cattle and a girl carrying a sack of wool*

3. John was angry: "Who on Earth are you to tell me what I should do and what I shouldn't?" He was shouting at his son who didn't seem to understand what was going on. The son _____ because he was too tired to say anything.

1. *was saying something to the father*
2. *was crying and explaining hat he was not to blame for what had happened*
3. *didn't even try to explain anything*
4. *was sleeping still, smiling in his sleep*

4. The ZOO was magnificent. It was Marcia's first visit and she was glad to be here. She was enjoying every minute of it. _____ that she couldn't help laughing at them playing like small children, climbing the trees and hanging on the tails.

1. *Most of all she likes the birds, singing so beautifully*
2. *Especially she liked the funny small squirrels*
3. *The monkeys were so funny*
4. *The small teddy bears in the children's corner were so great*

5. The war was over and the towns were lying in ruins. The people were tired of all the hardships of the wartime, _____ because they were eager to begin the new life.

1. *but they were working hard to restore everything that had been destroyed*
2. *and the people were shooting into the air every evening*
3. *so, the people lay flowers everywhere in the streets*
4. *and the children were running to the station to see the soldiers off*

6. At 9 o'clock in the morning Ann came into her mother's room and was surprised to see that _____, but when she saw that the alarm-clock had stopped during the night she understood everything.

1. *her mother was at work*
2. *her mother was eating a green apple*
3. *the mother was still asleep*
4. *she invited her old friend Paul*

7. Molly was frightened. There was somebody or something in the dark room she and Jack had just entered. She turned to her friend _____ and she got frightened even more.

1. *and when she saw him near, so reliable everywhere*
2. *and touched his strong hand, a hand of the man who always helped her*

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3. *but the sun was shining so brightly that she couldn't see anything*
4. *but when she couldn't see him behind her*

Part 2. *Read the text and the find the answer to the* ***questions 8-10*** *that correspond with the information implied in it.*

REQUIREMENTS FOR THE PARTICIPATION IN THE COMPETITION:

The children who want to take part in the skateboard competition that will be held in late September shouldn't be younger than fourteen years of age. Furthermore, the participants should bring a medical report and permission from the parents with the signs of both of them.

The equipment will be checked on the day of the competition by a special commission and the ones who fail to pass the check will not be allowed to take part.

The tournament itself will include two types of competitions during each of the two days of the tournament. The final results will be given at the end of the second day in the way of the summing up of all the marks for each competition. The champion will be given a cup and sent to the regional competition in November.

8. When will the competition take place?

1. *at the beginning of autumn*
2. *at the end of summer*
3. *in November*
4. *at the end of September*

9. How many times will the sportsmen have to compete?

1. *4*
2. *2*
3. *3*
4. *6*

10. What should the parents do?

1. *the father should help with equipment*
2. *mother and father should write a document to the referees*
3. *mother should make a cake*
4. *they should be present during the competition*



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