

USE OF ENGLISH

Task 8

Read the texts below. For gaps 39—48 choose the correct answer (A, B, C or D). Write your answers on the separate answer sheet.

LEARN A NEW LANGUAGE

Learning a new language may not always be an easy task but it (39) _____ has numerous advantages — (40) _____ you smarter, being one of them.

The process of learning a new language (41) _____ tasks such as analyzing grammatical structures and learning new words, which enhances your intelligence and brain health.

It has also been proven through various experiments that people with high levels of verbal-linguistic intelligence are great (42) _____ planning, decision-making and problem-(43) _____.

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|----|------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| 39 | A totally | B definitely | C absolutely | D exactly |
| 40 | A doing | B producing | C creating | D making |
| 41 | A connects | B involves | C causes | D takes |
| 42 | A with | B about | C at | D in |
| 43 | A solving | B decoding | C explaining | D accounting |

ROBOT HITCHHIKES ACROSS CANADA

Would you give a ride to a talking, hitchhiking robot? Nineteen carloads of Canadians did during the summer of 2014, helping the kid-size hitch BOT travel more than 3,700 miles from Halifax to Victoria. Anyone who (44) _____ hitch BOT a ride had to lift it into and out of the car (45) _____ only its hitchhiking arm moved. But hosts were rewarded with a robot that could converse with its companions and (46) _____ facts about the region the car was traveling through. The bot had a ton of fun as it journeyed across Canada, sightseeing, (47) _____ new friends, riding a ferry, and even (48) _____ a wedding.

- 44 A offered B suggested C supplied D presented
- 45 A while B because C though D despite
- 46 A comment B share C talk D describe
- 47 A creating B forming C making D collecting
- 48 A attending B looking C catching D holding

Task 9

Read the texts below. For gaps 49—58 choose the correct answer (A, B, C or D). Write your answers on the separate answer sheet.

GERTRUDE BELL

Gertrude Bell was an adventurer (49) _____ knowledge of the Middle East made her an important figure in the British Empire during and after World War I. After graduating from Oxford with a degree (50) _____ history, Bell, who was fluent in (51) _____ Arabic and Persian, traveled throughout the Arab world, writing a number of books along the way.

When World War I broke out, she (52) _____ working for the Red Cross, but was eventually recruited by the British army to work with the Arab tribes in their fight against the Ottoman Empire. After the war, Bell focused on archaeology, starting the Baghdad Archaeology Museum and filling it with artifacts from the Babylonian Empire and (53) _____ Mesopotamian civilizations.

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| 49 | A whose | B which | C whom | D who's |
| 50 | A on | B of | C in | D about |
| 51 | A also | B either | C and | D both |
| 52 | A begun | B began | C had begun | D begins |
| 53 | A the others | B another | C other | D others |

RUBIK'S CUBE

Everyone is prepping their Christmas wish lists; have you decided what (54) _____? Nowadays, most people probably have things like the iPhone 10, the newest tablet, or camera on (55) _____. That's what a 2019 Christmas wish list might look like, but what did kids ask for in their letters to Santa in years past? Here is a story of one of history's greatest toys.

Hungarian inventor, Erno Rubik, created his first 3-D color coded puzzle cube in (56) _____, but it wasn't until the following decade that Rubik became a household name. After *Ideal*, (57) _____ the toy to the U.S. in 1980, it skyrocketed in popularity. Millions of kids and adults became obsessed with solving the colorful puzzle. International competitions (58) _____ each year for those with fast fingers.

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|----|-------------|----------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| 54 | A you want | B do you want | C are you wanting | D you have wanted |
| 55 | A their | B theirs | C themselves | D them |
| 56 | A the 1970s | B the 1970th | C 1970s | D 1970th |
| 57 | A imported | B has imported | C imports | D was imported |
| 58 | A holding | B held | C are held | D are holding |

WRITING

59. Your pen-friend complains he/she lives in a small town and there is nowhere to go out with friends and no major events happen there, so he/she is looking forward to moving to another city, when he/she goes to college.

Write a letter in which you

- tell him/her where you'd like to live and why
- describe your home town
- tell about your favourite places to go out

Write a letter of at least 100 words. Do not use your real name or any other personal information. Start your letter in an appropriate way.

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Task	Time (min)	Score	Remarks
1. Initial test	10	10	
2. After 1st task	10	10	
3. After 2nd task	10	10	
4. After 3rd task	10	10	
5. After 4th task	10	10	
6. After 5th task	10	10	
7. After 6th task	10	10	
8. After 7th task	10	10	
9. After 8th task	10	10	
10. After 9th task	10	10	
11. After 10th task	10	10	
12. After 11th task	10	10	
13. After 12th task	10	10	
14. After 13th task	10	10	
15. After 14th task	10	10	
16. After 15th task	10	10	
17. After 16th task	10	10	
18. After 17th task	10	10	
19. After 18th task	10	10	
20. After 19th task	10	10	
21. After 20th task	10	10	
22. After 21st task	10	10	
23. After 22nd task	10	10	
24. After 23rd task	10	10	
25. After 24th task	10	10	
26. After 25th task	10	10	
27. After 26th task	10	10	
28. After 27th task	10	10	
29. After 28th task	10	10	
30. After 29th task	10	10	
31. After 30th task	10	10	
32. After 31st task	10	10	
33. After 32nd task	10	10	
34. After 33rd task	10	10	
35. After 34th task	10	10	
36. After 35th task	10	10	
37. After 36th task	10	10	
38. After 37th task	10	10	
39. After 38th task	10	10	
40. After 39th task	10	10	
41. After 40th task	10	10	
42. After 41st task	10	10	
43. After 42nd task	10	10	
44. After 43rd task	10	10	
45. After 44th task	10	10	
46. After 45th task	10	10	
47. After 46th task	10	10	
48. After 47th task	10	10	
49. After 48th task	10	10	
50. After 49th task	10	10	
51. After 50th task	10	10	
52. After 51st task	10	10	
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54. After 53rd task	10	10	
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90. After 89th task	10	10	
91. After 90th task	10	10	
92. After 91st task	10	10	
93. After 92nd task	10	10	
94. After 93rd task	10	10	
95. After 94th task	10</		

Task 1									
A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J
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21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40
41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50
51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60
61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70
71	72	73	74	75	76	77	78	79	80
81	82	83	84	85	86	87	88	89	90
91	92	93	94	95	96	97	98	99	100

Task 2		Task 3	
A	B	A	B
30	30	30	30
31	31	31	31
32	32	32	32
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36	36	36	36
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