Exercise 7

Read the information. Then read the statements and the extracts. Is the information given in the statements expressed, contradicted or not made clear in the extracts? Choose Yes if the information is expressed, No if the information is contradicted and Not Given if the information is not made clear.

In the IELTS Reading test, you will be asked to read a text and choose Yes, No or Not Given to confirm whether opinions are expressed (*Yes*), contradicted (*No*) or not made clear (*Not Given*). In this exercise, you will see a statement and then an extract from a text.

Choose
Yes if the statement agrees with the views of the writer of the extract
No if the statement contradicts the views of the writer of the extract
Not Given if it is impossible to say what the writer of the extract thinks about this.

1. **Statement**
   The general public now have little respect for the views of historians.

   Extract
   Long gone are the days when historians were held in great admiration by the population.

   - Yes
   - No
   - Not Given

2. **Statement**
   The teaching and learning of history play an essential role in society.

   Extract
   It is undeniable that history is a constant source of fascination and tells the gripping story of how people have dealt with the most pressing challenges of their times.

   - Yes
   - No
   - Not Given

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3. **Statement**
   The words of John Acton are relevant today.

   Extract
   John Acton's views were expressed in a different era and arguably have no obvious connection to contemporary ideas.

   - Yes
   - No
   - Not Given

4. **Statement**
   Henry Ford's views on history have been misrepresented.

   Extract
   Ford has frequently been quoted, yet what he said about history has often been taken out of context.

   - Yes
   - No
   - Not Given

5. **Statement**
   The decision to make history an optional subject in the UK was a mistake.

   Extract
   Opinion is divided on whether the UK government was right to make the study of history optional.

   - Yes
   - No
   - Not Given

6. **Statement**
   A good knowledge of history is an appropriate indicator of a person's suitability for a job.

   Extract
   Most employers would like to feel that their staff have a reasonable working knowledge of the real world – and there is no reason why historical knowledge should be treated any differently.

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- Yes
- No
- Not Given

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