Task 8

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

Bush Fires in Australia

If you are into ecology and are devastated **(39)**____ time you read or hear about a new catastrophe that **(40)**____ rich flora and fauna, then the news about bush fires in Australia will leave you heartbroken.

Australia is no stranger to bush fires, but this year it has taken great scale and summer isn't over **(41)**____. For now, 17 people are dead, 1200 homes have been destroyed, and 5.5 million hectares of land has been burnt.

At present, Australia is caught in the middle of a heatwave that has **(42)**____ extreme drought and heat. The bitterest part of the situation is that once-rich flora and fauna have taken the hardest hit. A vast number of **(43)**____ animals are dead, and it is not clear whether it will be possible to restore the population.

39	**A**	each	**B**	single	**C**	many	**D**	all
40	**A**	torn down	**B**	died out	**C**	wiped out	**D**	burned out
41	**A**	now	**B**	yet	**C**	just	**D**	still
42	**A**	turned out	**B**	carried out	**C**	brought on	**D**	resulted in
43	**A**	unique	**B**	exclusive	**C**	distinct	**D**	special

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Yayoi Kusama at the New York Botanical Garden

Yayoi Kusama is the best selling artist in the whole world. Due to her **(44)**____ looks – a red wig and polka dots everywhere make her the most recognizable.

From childhood, Kusama was determined to become a painter; her early works **(45)**____ much attraction to both polka dots and nature. It is said that she suffered from hallucinations and suicidal thoughts. Despite all that, her will to create overpowered her **(46)**____ to die.

The exhibition will open on May 9 in the New York Botanical Garden. Throughout the 250-acre garden setting and buildings, Kusama's attraction to nature will be exposed **(47)**____ multiple installations, mirror environments, massive polka-dotted sculptures of flora, botanical sketches and more. The display will also debut new works, including the gigantesque pumpkin sculpture and the greenhouse installation that will be transformed **(48)**____ the exhibition.

44	**A**	quick	**B**	extraordinary	**C**	outstanding	**D**	rare
45	**A**	hold	**B**	present	**C**	unfold	**D**	point
46	**A**	want	**B**	craving	**C**	ache	**D**	desire
47	**A**	at	**B**	over	**C**	in	**D**	under
48	**A**	throughout	**B**	over	**C**	round	**D**	around

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Task 9

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

Types of Leisure Activities

As we all live in the hectic world, where events **(49)**____ every day and we need to track, analyse and draw conclusions, it is essential to have time for leisure. But you **(50)**____ be careful not to procrastinate too much.

There are different types of leisure activities that **(51)**____ you relaxed, refreshed and filled with joy. Depending on your taste, you can choose one or two from the offered below.

Cycling and adventure sports will do good not only to your mind, but to your body as well. Also, it is a great way **(52)**____ and meet new people.

If sports do not make you relaxed, consider morning walks in silence or listening to music. Alternatively, you might find peace for yourself in watching movies, having fun in the amusement park or taking up **(53)** ____.

49	**A**	occurs	**B**	is occurring	**C**	are occurring	**D**	occur
50	**A**	might	**B**	could	**C**	should	**D**	need
51	**A**	will leave	**B**	leaves	**C**	is leaving	**D**	will have left
52	**A**	socialise	**B**	socialised	**C**	to socialise	**D**	socialising
53	**A**	photograph	**B**	photography	**C**	photographer	**D**	protografic

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Jobs of the Future

All experts say that in the near future, 70% of all jobs **(54)**____ occupied by robots. This could leave us with a lot of unemployed people, elderly and graduates to be cared for.

According to Rebecca Pretorius, applicants and high school students **(55)**____ protect their future **(56)**____ choosing their speciality from STEM. However, if you are more into the humanitarian sphere, don't worry, there will be plenty of jobs based on helping people as well as those in the creative field.

The question that needs to **(57)**____ is how people whose jobs will be overtaken will adjust to the changed reality. A solution might be to train people **(58)**____ a specialised skill set depending on the geographical region along with providing them with a career counsellor that will guide and suggest a possible career swap.

54	**A**	are	**B**	will be	**C**	are going to	**D**	are being
55	**A**	need	**B**	would	**C**	can	**D**	shall
56	**A**	by	**B**	as	**C**	like	**D**	in
57	**A**	answered	**B**	have answered	**C**	answer	**D**	be answered
58	**A**	obtain	**B**	to obtain	**C**	obtaining	**D**	obtained

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