

Focus Review 1, 3 and 6, Use of English Multiple-choice cloze

Read texts 1–4. Choose the correct answer, a, b or c

TEXT 1

ARE CHEAP AIRLINES REALLY CHEAP?

Go to Majorca now for only £10! Pay £5 to fly to Crete! Budget airlines ¹_____ your attention with bargain ticket prices in their eye-catching advertisements. What they will not tell you, however, is ²_____ they have all kinds of tricks up their sleeve to make much more money out of you later.

To start with, the price of a cheap air fare only looks attractive at the beginning. It often does not include obligatory costs such as taxes, an online check-in charge, service charge or credit card usage fee. ³_____ they are added, the final bill is far from what you expected. Then there are luggage fees. If your hand luggage is not the correct size or your suitcase is too heavy, the excess baggage fee you will have to pay at the airport ⁴_____ ruin your holiday mood. Not to mention high extra charges if you forget to print your boarding pass at home or make a spelling mistake in your name.

So next time you are sitting at your desk to ⁵_____ that online booking, make sure you are well-rested and ready to face a very tough opponent.

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| 1 a draw | b pay | c turn |
| 2 a why | b that | c such |
| 3 a Unless | b Once | c Whereas |
| 4 a must | b should | c may |
| 5 a make | b do | c prepare |



TEXT 2

MOBILES AND HEALTH ISSUES

Forty years ago mobile phones did not even exist and soon more than 2 billion people will be using them on a daily basis. This fairly recent ¹_____ has proved very useful but the fact that we are constantly bombarded by electromagnetic waves may have long-term effects on our health.

²_____ suggests that our favourite gadget, which we look at 150 times a day, contributes to all kinds of health issues. Staring at your phone for too long may lead to serious problems with your eyesight. ³_____, mobile phone users suffer from headaches, neck and shoulder pains, tiredness, poor hearing as well as problems with sleeping.

So maybe it is worth ⁴_____ our personal habits when it comes to using mobile phones? Experts suggest holding the devices a few centimetres away from your ear and switching ears every few moments. It is recommended not to use them for more than fifteen minutes at a time and to leave them ⁵_____ your bedroom at night.

And don't forget to clean your phone every once in a while. The average phone is a paradise for all kinds of bacteria.

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| 1 a discovery | b invention | c creativity |
| 2 a Research | b Opinion | c Examination |
| 3 a All in all | b Firstly | c Moreover |
| 4 a reconsider | b reconsidering | c to reconsider |
| 5 a opposite | b behind | c outside |



TEXT 3

SMART HOUSE

Have you ever left your house wondering if you had locked the front door or turned off the cooker? Now you can stop worrying if you decide to turn your home ¹_____ a smart one. Technology that was once reserved for the rich is becoming more and more available ²_____ the popularity of mobile phones and tablets.

Setting up a smart home is all about connecting all the devices and household ³_____ into a network that you can control from any place in the world. Whether you are at work or on holiday, you can check what is going on in your house and react accordingly. A security system will detect a fire or inform you in case a burglar ⁴_____ to break in. A smart home will control the lighting and room temperature, resulting in lower electricity and heating bills. Once the house knows that you are getting up, it will turn on the coffee maker in the kitchen or put on your favourite news programme on TV.

The list of cool smart home tricks goes on and they are all ⁵_____ at making your life easier and more convenient.

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| 1 a up | b on | c into |
| 2 a owing to | b in spite of | c apart from |
| 3 a tools | b furniture | c appliances |
| 4 a tries | b will try | c tried |
| 5 a aiming | b aimed | c being aim |

TEXT 4

READING BOOKS CAN BE COOL

At present many publishing houses are experiencing a crisis, libraries are not as popular as they ¹_____ be and fewer and fewer people are buying books. That is why in 1995 UNESCO started World Book Day, an annual event celebrated worldwide on 23 April ²_____ main aim is to encourage and promote reading. It was decided that it would be held on this day because the date is also the anniversary of the birth and death of William Shakespeare and the death of Miguel de Cervantes.

Every year hundreds of interesting book-related events ³_____ place in bookshops, schools and libraries. In Spain, for example, Cervantes's *Don Quixote* is read during a two-day reading marathon. In Catalonia, where this day is called *The Day of the Rose*, traditionally men gave women roses and ⁴_____ women gave men books. Nowadays it is still customary to exchange books on this day and in the main streets of Barcelona and other cities in the region you can buy something to read for your loved ones.

UNESCO believes that reading books ⁵_____ to the social and cultural progress of humanity and leads to building peace around the world.

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| 1 a were used to | b used to | c got used to |
| 2 a which | b that | c whose |
| 3 a take | b have | c give |
| 4 a on average | b in return | c for instance |
| 5 a helps | b contributes | c provides |

