

Stop and Check: Units 17–20

Under each paragraph, write the words from the appropriate unit that correspond with the numbered phrases in bold.

Geography

The landscape around the world varies considerably. Some areas are flat, while others have a **1large number of mountains in the same area that form a chain**. Some mountains, such as Mt. Everest, are very high, and it is necessary to take precautions when climbing them because of the great **2height above sea level**, which can cause sickness. Other **3areas have mountains that are small and rounded in appearance**. There are large rivers such as the Nile and **4very small rivers only a couple of meters wide**. **5Rivers get much bigger where they meet the sea**, of course. **6People who make maps** have shown these features on the maps, as well as **7how far places are from the equator** and **8how far they are from a place near London called Greenwich**.

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Health and Medicine

If we are sick, we usually go to a doctor. They will tell us **1what they think we are suffering from**. They will often tell us **2what medicine we need to take and how often we need to take it**. It is possible that the medicine will have some **3unwanted negative effects**. For more serious conditions, we might have to go to hospital and be operated on by a **4doctor who performs operations**. It is possible that they might have to **5remove a part of our body and replace it with the same part from another person**. Most illnesses can be treated and are not **6likely to result in death**. Some illnesses, however, **7last a long time**. All of us worry about our health, but some **8people imagine that they are ill even when they are not**. The best thing we can do is live a healthy lifestyle, eat healthy food and get plenty of sleep and exercise. As the saying goes, “Prevention is better than cure.”

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Science and Technology

Over the last 50 years, technology has changed our lives dramatically. Lots of **1clever electronic devices** have made our lives more interesting, and appliances like washing machines and dishwashers **2have reduced the amount of work we**

have to do. Some **3people who are obsessed with technology** spend all their time with computers. The rest of us, while not obsessed with it, are still heavily dependent on technology. We all want the **4latest and most up-to-date** phone, for example, because the one we bought a few years ago is now **5no longer up-to-date**. Today, it is necessary **6to have a good knowledge of computers** in order to get a good job as they are now commonly used in most workplaces. Devices that are very sophisticated and **7use a lot of technology** are now a big part of our lives. Not everyone embraces technology, however. There are some **8people who hate it and even fear it.**

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Work

All of us want to get a good job. To do so, we need to have **1the right education and relevant experience** for the positions we apply for. Most of us work for **2other people who employ us**, although some people are self-employed. Similarly, most of us **3have a job that requires us to work about 40 hours a week**. If we don't like our job, however, we can **4tell the employer that we don't want to work for them anymore**. Conversely, especially during a recession, an employer may tell us that **5they don't need us to work for them anymore, as there is not enough work**. We could also **6lose our job if we do something our employer doesn't like**. Some people, of course, are **7unable to get a job and are not working**. In some countries, the government gives them **8money to live on while they are out of work**. The perfect job, of course, is one that we enjoy doing and that pays us enough to live on and also allows us to enjoy the other parts of our lives.

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