WIDER WORLD

Name: _____

LISTENING

1 For questions 1–7, listen to the interview and choose the correct options to complete the notes below.

Interview about a Website

Name of website: [0] **Gumtree / ebay** .

Users: The public and [1]**in-store / on-line** shops

The Web Site: Began in [2]**December / September** 1995

The Founder: Name: Pierre Omidyar
Nationality: [3]**British / American**

First Item Sold: Broken computer gadget (laser pointer)
Cost: $[4]**15 / 50**

ebay Today: Number of people who work for ebay: [5]**56 / 36** thousand
Number of countries ebay has offices in: 30

Things For Sale: - cheap [6]**books / balls**
- expensive cars

Things Not For Sale:
- knives
- [7]**albums / animals**

2. You will hear five dialogues.
For questions 1–7, tick the correct answer (A, B or C).

1 What kind of pet did Rick decide to get?
A a cat B a dog C a rabbit

2 Who or what helped Rick make his decision about a pet?
A his friends B his family C some video clips

3 Where do Joanna and Rick decide to go for a walk?
A to the park B by the river C in the forest

4 How much does Rick's dad pay for the brush?
A £25 B £15 C £12

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5 How often does Rick need to brush the dog?
A once a week B every day C sometimes

6 What does Rick's dad ***NOT*** want Rick to do?
A take the dog for a walk B take the dog to the vet's C feed the dog

7 Where is Rick's dog?
A in the garden B out for a walk C in one of the bedrooms

READING

3 For questions 1–6, read the article and complete the notes below.

Cats' 'parents':

- [0] *owners*

Age range of 'teenage' cats:

- [1] _____ to 18 months

Difficult teenage cat behaviour:

Males:

- They [2] _____ a lot and can [3] _____ furniture.

Females:

- They [4] _____ other cats

Best way of helping teenage cats:

- [5] _____ good behaviour

Another good thing to do:

- [6] _____ your cat

Who Would Want a Teenage Cat?

(0) The teenage years are not an easy time for the teenagers themselves or for the parents. The same is true in the cat world, although of course they don't have 'parents' when they're teenagers, but have 'owners' instead.

(1) Instead of the difficulties happening between the ages of 10 and 18 in humans, cats' troublesome times are usually between 6 to 18 months old. As with people, behaviour between the sexes can be quite different.

(2/3) Teenage boys take lots of risks, for example, and can be aggressive. 'Teenage boy' cats bite a lot and can damage furniture.

(4) Typical behaviour for 'teenage girl' cats is that they attack other cats even if they lived happily together in the same house beforehand.

A lot of owners don't realise how short the period that their cat stays a kitten is, or that cats have these 'teenage' behaviours. So unfortunately some owners sell their cats or give them away when this happens.

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(5) But if you know what to do, it will help a lot. The number one thing to do is to reward good behaviour by feeding and giving love and attention.

(6) You need to continue to train your cat too. It can be useful as some 'teenage' cats suddenly forget the things you worked on together when they were kittens, like using their litter tray correctly, for example.

As with humans, the difficult phase passes (much quicker in cats!) and what comes after, sharing your home with a beautiful adult cat, is one of life's true pleasures.

4 Choose the correct sentences, A–H, to fill the gaps, 1–7, in the blog.

A It's about technology in the 1980s.

~~B I didn't go to school, because it's the weekend.~~

C The memory on my tablet is about 8 billion times bigger than computers then!

D I took some great ones of me and my friends in the park.

E I thought that the film was OK, and Mum and Dad really liked it.

F I had a burger and fries.

G Finally, I read one or two of my friends' blogs.

H I'm happy I don't live in the 1980s, though.

17th May

I had a good day today! [0] *B* . I looked up some information for my homework project. [1] _____.

The gadgets then were really funny, because the computers were so big and slow, and had very little memory. [2] _____. Amazing!

After that, I watched some video clips of my favourite bands on YouTube. Then I uploaded some photos onto my Facebook page. [3] _____. Click on the link here if you want to check them out.

Anyway, in the afternoon Mum and Dad took us to the cinema. [4] _____. Then we went for dinner in a nice restaurant in the city centre, which was great. [5] _____. When we got home, I switched on the TV and watched a couple of game shows.

[6] _____. They're really great, and a good way to find out what's happening in their lives.

[7] _____. I can't imagine life without my gadgets!

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