

Use of English

Choose the best alternative to complete the gaps in this summary.

'The Captain and the Enemy' is a novel ¹ _____ was written by Graham Greene in 1988. It is a story ² _____ a boy, Victor Baxter, ³ _____ father (⁴ _____ he calls 'the Devil') loses him in game of backgammon to a man ⁵ _____ is only known as 'the Captain'. The Captain, ⁶ _____ real name is never revealed, appears to be some sort of criminal. ⁷ _____ the boy has been taken away from his boarding school, he is brought up by a woman called Lisa, ⁸ _____ is the Captain's mistress. From time to time the Captain returns to visit them, ⁹ _____ for months on end they are alone together. ¹⁰ _____ this time a close relationship develops ¹¹ _____ them, and Lisa treats Victor as if he is her son. Eventually, the Captain goes to live in Panama, ¹² _____ tells them that they cannot join him there ¹³ _____ he has made enough money. ¹⁴ _____ he is 18, Victor leaves Lisa and gets his own flat but ¹⁵ _____ her death in a road accident, he flies to Panama to meet the Captain...

- 1 which what who it
- 2 about by on of
- 3 who whose his without
- 4 which who whose him
- 5 who whom whose his
- 6 who whom whose his
- 7 Before After Although Now
- 8 she who because that
- 9 because but when so
- 10 Before While During On
- 11 among over between to
- 12 still but though he
- 13 after by until if
- 14 When So Then Why
- 15 because while as after

Read the text below. Use the word given in capitals at the end of each line to form a word that fits in the space in the same line.

One of the ¹ _____ people have in their work these days is coming to terms with ² _____. Technology is changing fast, and many of the skills we learn today may no longer be ³ _____ in the future. We should all expect to be ⁴ _____ several times during our working lives.

The experience of ⁵ _____ is typical: today computers are used in every business. Without a good working ⁶ _____ of computers you can't expect to find ⁷ _____ these days. It is also absolutely essential for employees to have an ⁸ _____ of how various software applications work.

Although computers are more user-friendly than they used to be, keyboard skills are still essential. Voice ⁹ _____ technology is unlikely to provide a ¹⁰ _____ for the keyboard – whose layout is exactly the same as an old-fashioned typewriter.

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MODERNISE
USE
TRAIN
COMPUTERISE
KNOW
EMPLOY
AWARE

RECOGNISE
REPLACE