READING COMPREHENSION. TEXT 1

Read this text carefully and tick the correct answers.

TOP PLACES IN NEW YORK

AMERICAN MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY:



At the museum you can learn about dinosaurs, ocean life or space. There is an exhibition on natural disasters like hurricanes, tornados and earthquakes.

THE EMPIRE STATE BUILDING:



This skyscraper is 381 meters tall and has 103 floors*. There are observatories on both the 86th and 102nd floors from where you can have a nice view of the city.

THE STATUE OF LIBERTY:



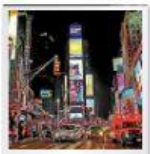
To see the statue you have to go to Liberty Island. The Statue was a present from the people of France and represents the friendship** between France and the United States. Visitors have to climb 354 stairs to get to the statue's crown***.

CENTRAL PARK:



It is one of the largest and the most visited city parks in the United States. In the park there are lakes, a castle, the Central Park Zoo and the Metropolitan Museum of Art. There you can have a picnic, play football, read a book under a tree or enjoy the silence in the middle of the city.

TIMES SQUARE:



Famous for its neon lights and colourful signs, Times Square is the perfect place to go shopping. Every year people come here to celebrate Thanksgiving Day, New Year's Eve, Saint Patrick's Day... Since**** 2011 it is forbidden to smoke in Times Square.

BRONX ZOO:



The zoo has more than 5,000 animals representing about 600 species. You can see zebras, giraffes and lions. You can also meet lemurs and crocodiles in the permanent *Madagascar!* Exhibition. You can also feed sea lions and penguins.

VOCABULARY:

* **floor:** pis.
** **friendship:** amistat.
*** **crown:** corona.
**** **since:** des de.

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15. Where can you see an exhibition on tornados?

a. At the Museum of Natural History

b. In Central Park

c. At the Bronx Zoo

16. What is there on floors 86th and 102nd in the Empire State Building?

a. A shopping centre

b. An observatory

c. A museum

17. The Statue of Liberty is...

a. in a park.

b. on an island.

c. in the Bronx.

18. Which sentence about the Statue of Liberty is TRUE?

a. Visitors cannot get to the crown*

b. USA gave the Statue of Liberty to France

c. The Statue of Liberty is a symbol of friendship**

19. According to the text, Central Park is the _____ park in the USA.

a. newest

b. most visited

c. most beautiful

20. Central Park is a _____ park.

a. theme

b. safari

c. city

VOCABULARY:

* **crown:** corona.
** **friendship:** amistat.

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21. In Central Park you can visit...

a. the American Museum of Natural History.

b. the Metropolitan Museum of Art.

c. Times Square.

22. In Central Park you...

a. can do different activities.

b. cannot practise any sport.

c. cannot eat on the grass.

23. You want to buy a T-shirt and a pair of shoes. You go to...

a. the Empire State building.

b. the Statue of Liberty.

c. Times Square.

24. At the *Madagascar!* Exhibition you can learn about...

a. lemurs and crocodiles.

b. zebras and lions.

c. giraffes.

25. In the sentence "You can also feed sea lions and penguins" what does 'feed' mean?

a. Give food to

b. Play with

c. Touch

26. This text gives you information about...

a. how to travel to the USA.

b. shopping centres in New York.

c. famous places you can visit in New York.

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Read this text carefully and tick the correct answers.

THE ISS



The International Space Station (ISS) is a satellite orbiting over 300 km above the Earth. Its construction began in 1998 and the first astronauts arrived there in 2000.

The ISS is a laboratory where gravity is almost* eliminated. Without gravity, the astronauts and scientists can do very important science and medical experiments in biology, physics, astronomy, meteorology, etc.

Astronauts live and work in space and they do the same routines that we do on Earth: they wash their hair, they brush their teeth and they go to the toilet, but in a different way. They use a special shampoo, they have a special hygiene kit (with toothpaste, toothbrush...) and they go to a very special toilet. This toilet works like a vacuum cleaner** that sucks air and waste*** into a tank.

Astronauts eat three meals a day: breakfast, lunch and dinner. They can eat different types of food: cheese, macaroni, spaghetti, fruit, chicken... and they can drink coffee, tea, orange juice or lemonade. All the food comes in special packages. They have an oven but no fridge.

To sleep, astronauts use sleeping bags situated in small cabins for one person. The sleeping bags are fixed to the wall so they will not float away in the middle of a nice dream.

During their free time, astronauts exercise two hours per day. They can also read books, watch films, play music, play cards and talk to their families. They love looking out the window and watching the spectacular and wonderful views.

VOCABULARY:

* **almost:** gairebé.
** **vacuum cleaner:** aspiradora.
*** **waste:** residus.

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27. The ISS orbits _____ above the Earth.

a. very slowly

b. more than 300 km

c. for two hours per day

28. Astronauts do _____ experiments in the ISS.

a. animal

b. educational

c. science and medical

29. According to the text, what sentence is TRUE?
Astronauts who live in the ISS...

a. don't wash their hair.

b. don't brush their teeth.

c. use a special toilet.

30. The text says "a vacuum cleaner that sucks air and waste...".
What is the meaning of the word 'sucks'?

a. To absorb

b. To make

c. To clean

31. Astronauts eat _____ a day.

a. twice*

b. 3 times

c. 5 times

VOCABULARY:

* **twice:** dos cops.

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32. On the ISS astronauts can...

a. only eat pasta.

b. only drink coffee.

c. eat all types of food.

33. Which sentence is TRUE?

a. Astronauts eat packed food

b. Astronauts cook their meals

c. Astronauts cannot warm up** their meals

34. Astronauts do exercise...

a. 1 hour per day.

b. 2 hours per day.

c. every 2 days.

35. In their free time astronauts can...

a. read books.

b. play golf.

c. go shopping.

36. From the window of the ISS astronauts can see...

a. beautiful views.

b. their families.

c. a film.

VOCABULARY:

** **warm up:** escalfar.

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37. **Put the sentences as they appear in the text.**

A.	**B.**	**C.**
What astronauts eat.	What hobbies astronauts have.	When the first astronauts arrived in the ISS.

a. A → C → B

b. B → A → C

c. C → A → B

38. **The text...**

a. describes astronauts' favourite food.

b. explains how astronauts live in the ISS.

c. describes the experiments in a laboratory.

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