

CAE Reading and Use of English Practice - Test 4

* For questions 1 – 8, read the text below and decide which answer (A, B, C or D) best fits each gap. There is an example at the beginning (0).

Example:

A. characterized B. indicated C. detailed D. accounted

High notes of the singing Neanderthals

Neanderthals have been misunderstood. The early humanoids traditionally (0) **characterized** as ape-like brutes were deeply emotional beings with high-pitched voices. They may (1) _____ have sung to each other. This new image has (2) _____ from two studies of the vocal apparatus and anatomy of the creatures that (3) _____ Europe between 200,000 and 35,000 years ago.

The research shows that Neanderthal voices might well have produced loud, womanly and highly melodic sounds – not the roars and grunts previously (4) _____ by most researchers. Stephen Mithen, Professor of Archaeology and author of one of the studies, said: "What is emerging is a picture of an intelligent and emotionally complex creature whose most likely (5) _____ of communication would have been part language and part song."

Mithen's work (6) _____ with the first detailed study of a reconstructed Neanderthal skeleton. Anthropologists brought together bones and casts from several sites to re-create the creature. The creature that emerges would have (7) _____ markedly from humans, Neanderthals seem to have had an extremely powerful (8) _____ and no waist.

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| 1. A. further | B. just | C. even | D. so |
| 2. A. revealed | B. resulted | C. concluded | D. happened |
| 3. A. resided | B. dwelt | C. filled | D. occupied |
| 4. A. judged | B. assumed | C. considered | D. taken |
| 5. A. sort | B. practice | C. approach | D. form |
| 6. A. coincides | B. occurs | C. relates | D. co-operates |
| 7. A. differed | B. distinguished | C. compared | D. contrasted |
| 8. A. assembly | B. formation | C. build | D. scheme |

* For questions 1 – 8, read the text below. Use the word given in capitals at the end of some of the lines to form a word that fits in the gap in the same line. There is an example at the beginning (0). **EFFECT**
Write your answers **IN CAPITAL LETTERS** on the separate answer sheet.
Example: **EFFECTIVE**

Nordic Walking

Nordic walking is an (0) **effective** (**EFFECT**) technique that uses poles to bring the upper body into more use and boost the calorie-burning effects of walking. It was (1) _____ (**ORIGIN**) devised in Finland by elite cross- country skiers as a way to keep their fitness levels up during the summer.

At first (2) _____ (**SEE**), Nordic walking may look like skiing without the skis – or the snow. But although, to the (3) _____ (**TRAIN**) eye, striding around the local park with a pair of poles may look a bit silly, it actually offers a serious (4) _____ (**WORK**) for people of all ages and abilities. You don't (5) _____ (**NECESSARY**) have to go faster to get more out of it – just put in more effort with the poles. The poles, which can be made from aluminium or carbon fibre, are specially designed to (6) _____ (**MAXIMUM**) the work done by the upper body. And because Nordic walking is also a weight- bearing exercise, it's great for (7) _____ (**STRONG**) bones and joints. But the best news is that because the effort is spread across the (8) _____ (**ENTIRE**) of the body, Nordic walking can actually feel easier and less tiring than normal walking.

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| 1. ORIGIN | 2. SEE | 3. TRAIN | 4. WORK |
| 5. NECESSARY | 6. MAXIMUM | 7. STRONG | 8. ENTIRE |