

English 8th grade final exam

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Grade:

Listening:

Listen to people talking in six situations. For each question, choose the correct answer (A, B or C).

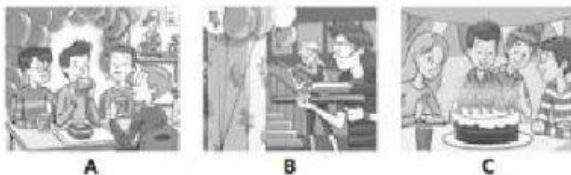
1 What made the girls mum most unhappy?



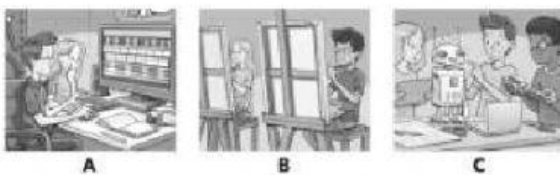
2 What is the girl going to do the next day?



3 What will the boy do on his birthday just before he goes home?



4 Which activity does the club manager think people will be most excited about?



5 What are the girl and her sister finding difficult to do at the moment?



6 Which activity does the boy like best?



Part 2

For each question, choose the correct answer.

7 You will hear two friends talking about a play, what do they say about it?

- a) It was much better than they thought it would be.
- b) It went on for too long
- c) The actors forgot what they were supposed to say.

8 You will hear a man telling a friend about his new phone. What does the man say about it?

- a) He finds it difficult to type messages on it
- b) He can't take good photos with it.
- c) He can't get all his favourite apps on it

9 You will hear two friends talking about a train. What does the woman say about it?

- a) It'll be there in another ten minutes
- b) It's been involved in an accident
- c) It won't be arriving at the station

10 You will hear two people talking about cinema tickets. The girl thinks that

- a) They are going to be late to meet their friends
- b) Their booking is later than she would have liked
- c) The film is not as good as she had hoped

11 You will hear two young people talking about a blog. The girl thinks the blog

- a) Doesn't recommend good places
- b) Doesn't give accurate information
- c) Is very old-fashioned

12 You will hear a girl telling a friend about her weekend. How does the girl feel about it?

- a) It was a bit boring
- b) It made her feel very tired
- c) It was nice and relaxing

Choose the correct grammar or vocabulary based on the context.

When we arrived at a small community about 200 km east of the capital, some men were (13)..... motorbikes and herding their sheep and goats. Horses (14) be at the centre of nomadic culture. They provided transport, meat and milk. These days the motorbike, which is inexpensive to run, is king.

An old man invited us into his traditional ger, or yurt, a circular tent with a triangular (15)..... and walls made from sheep's wool. The single room, ten metres in diameter, was cosy but hardly (16)..... There was no bathroom or running water and a square (17)..... box was the fridge. When you carry your home with you, it's important not to have many possessions!

Our host's daughter was (18)..... over a stove in the middle of the floor. We were talking when some friends (19)..... Yurts are public places, always open to guests. While we were all eating, two girls were playing games on mobile phones. Phones are also essential for keeping in touch with relatives in the city. 'How (20)..... they use to keep in touch before mobile phones?' I wondered to myself.

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| 13. A) riding | B) Ridden | C) Ride |
| 14. A) were to | B) use to | C) used to |
| 15. A) ceiling | B) roof | C) garage |
| 16. A) luxurious | B) Traditional | C) Basic |
| 17. A) indoor | B) outdoor | C) Outside |
| 18. A) cooked | B) cook | C) cooking |
| 19. A) arrive | B) arriven | C) arrived |
| 20. A) was | B) did | C) were |

Reading

Read the article and choose the answer (A, B, C or D) which you think fits best according to the text.

TEEN TIME OUT

Max, 15

I read about social media companies that were selling the information of their users. It made me angry because I hadn't agreed to that! These huge companies say their purpose is to bring people together and make communication easier, but actually, we – the users – are just products that they sell to make lots of money. So I deleted my accounts and never went back.

It wasn't easy, though. For the first few days, I kept looking at my phone for notifications. It was silly because I no longer had the apps! That's when I realised it had become a bad habit. I asked myself why I used social media. At first, it was because most of my friends were on Facebook. Then, as time passed, I wanted to be liked. I wrote and rewrote my updates and posts many times, hoping I seemed clever or funny to get more attention. The truth is, we care what people think about us and want them to like us. Social media makes those feelings stronger. When social media starts to control your life like that, it's time to leave!

Sally, 14

My exams were a few weeks away and it was important for me to work hard. I had started to panic because although I was studying every night, I forgot so much. It was really strange! Then my mum suggested something that I didn't like: to remove the social media apps from my phone. Why? Because I was always looking at my phone. I just couldn't pay attention to anything else.

I promised my mum I would stop until my exams finished. To be honest, I was afraid to quit social media because I thought I would miss out on so many fun things like sharing photos or video links with my friends. However, some great things happened. I began to sleep better and I was able to prepare well for my exams without taking breaks to check my phone. It was a great feeling! Once my exams were over, I went back on social media, but, now, I control it much better. I only check my phone twice a day.

21 Max left social media because some companies

- A have become very rich.
- B had his private information.
- C don't help us to communicate.
- D aren't honest with users.

22 After he deleted the apps, Max

- A checked his phone without thinking.
- B decided he wanted to use them again.
- C thought they were silly
- D received some notifications.

23 Why did Max join social media?

- A He hoped people would like him.
- B He was copying what other people did.
- C He enjoyed writing updates.
- D He wanted to get attention.

24 Sally was worried about her exams because she

- A couldn't stop using social media.
- B didn't spend enough time studying.
- C wasn't able to remember information.

D hadn't deleted the apps on her phone.

25 What happened when Sally stopped using social media?

- A She didn't see her friends.
- B She wanted to sleep more.
- C She no longer used her phone.
- D She rested and studied well.

26 What would be a good introduction to this article?

- A Teenagers live their lives on social media. Max and Sally tell us why it's so important for them to be online.
- B Do young people understand how social media can affect their lives? Meet two teenagers who found out and did something about it.
- C Leaving social media isn't difficult. Max and Sally explain how they did it and how living without it has changed their lives.
- D Is social media good or bad for young people? Two teenagers give us their opinions on this important question.

Part 2

You are going to read a text called *Apples*. Six sentences have been removed from the story. Choose from the sentences (A-H) to fit each gap (1-6). There are two extra sentences which you do not need to use. For each question, write the correct answer (A-H) in the box in the text.

Apples

Do you like apples? Apples can be red, yellow, or green. (27) _____. They are fruit. You can make apples into treats. (28) _____. They finish growing in the fall. (29) _____. When you pick an apple, you twist it and then pull it off the tree. (30) _____. The outside is the skin. (31) _____. There are seeds inside of the apple. The stem is on top. (32) _____.

- A Some apples have leaves by the stem.
- B There are five parts of an apple.
- C The inside is the flesh.
- D Each color tastes different.
- E Then you can pick them to eat.
- F Apples grow on trees.
- G Apples grow underground
- H Apples only have one color