Task 1

You are going to hear four people talking about different discoveries. For questions 1.1.–1.5., choose the right speaker (A–D) and put a cross (X) in the appropriate column in the table. One speaker must be chosen twice. You will hear the recording twice.

Which speaker mentions		**A**	**B**	**C**	**D**
1.1.	items whose presence was inconsistent with previously available information about the find?				
1.2.	the reason for not disclosing the place where the find is stored?				
1.3.	the potentially significant historical value of the find despite its poor condition?				
1.4.	the contents of the find being revealed in public?				
1.5.	certain properties which prompted inconclusive theories about the origin of the find?				

Task 2

You are going to hear a text about an accident at sea. Based on what you hear, complete the gap in each sentence (3.1.–3.5.). You will hear the recording twice.

3.1. Before setting off, the speaker provided the coastguard with his identity, _____ and _____.

3.2. The speaker kept flares and his phone in _____ the canoe was fitted with.

3.3. When the tide changed, the speaker couldn't update the rescue team on his whereabouts because _____.

3.4. According to the speaker, the trawler that saved him was probably not _____.

3.5. Luckily, the speaker was found before it _____, otherwise he wouldn't have survived.

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Task 3

For questions 8.1.–8.5., think of one word only which can be used to complete all three sentences. Write the missing word in the space provided. The words must be spelled correctly.

8.1. _____

- The patient's poor health continues to leave its … on his mood.
- You've got a dirty ... on your tie. Don't try to remove it on your own.
- The river reached its high-water … as a result of heavy rains in the south of the country.

8.2. _____

- When the dog's hair started to … out in patches, I decided to consult the vet.
- Appeals for residents to volunteer in the charity event often … on stony ground.
- As long as you manage to balance your budget, you'll never … into debt.

8.3. _____

- Will you … for me if anybody asks where I was yesterday? I need to keep it a secret for now.
- The journalist selected to … the American election for the BBC has won many prestigious awards.
- Do you expect me to believe that $500 was not enough to … your expenses?

8.4. _____

- I put my sister's … temper today down to lack of sleep.
- Food is still in … supply in many parts of the world.
- Please, hurry up, we're really … of time.

8.5. _____

- It came as a surprise to me when I learned that bees locate flowers by … .
- The tour guide warned the group to keep their bags in … at all times.
- Windmills are a common … in this part of the country.

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Task 4

Read the text. For questions 8.1.–8.5., use the word given in brackets to form a word that fits the gap. The text must be logical and correct in both grammar and spelling. Write the missing word in the space provided.

THE FUTURE OF WINTER SPORTS AND RECREATION

Since 1949, nearly 80% of weather stations across the contiguous 48 states in the US have recorded an increase in winter precipitation falling as rain instead of snow. With future projected temperature rises, winter sports may experience a decline. For ski resorts in the Northeast to remain viable, they require the **8.1.** (**LONG**) _____ of an average ski season to be at least 100 days.

Projections indicate that the **8.2.** (**SUSTAIN**) _____ of most resorts in the region will be in question by the end of the century. They will be required to produce more artificial snow and this, in turn, will result in increased resort attendance costs due to higher water and energy usage. There are also many sports, like snowmobiling and cross-country skiing, where machine-made snow is not a **8.3.** (**WORK**) _____ solution, as it is not possible to produce enough snow to cover miles of trails.

The snowpack has always been an **8.4.** (**RESIST**) _____ attraction for the hikers who visit national parks in huge numbers every winter. But decreases in snowpack depth have been observed since 1955. Although, currently, hikers are still able to reach snowcapped mountains and glaciers, as winters become warmer, the snowpack on the tops of mountains and the glaciers will **8.5.** (**PRESUME**) _____ disappear.

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Task 5

For questions 9.1.–9.5., complete the second sentence so that it is as similar in meaning as possible to the first sentence and it is correct in both grammar and spelling. Use the word given. Do not change the word given. Use up to five words including the word given.

9.1. I do not like people slapping me on the back when they greet me.

TO

I object _____ the back when people greet me.

9.2. Mr Peterson was given a medal for his bravery during the First World War.

RECOGNITION

Mr Peterson received a medal _____ his bravery during the First World War.

9.3. Kate didn't seem anxious even though she was giving the speech without any notes.

SIGN

Kate showed _____ even though she was giving the speech without any notes.

9.4. My friend said that I could use his apartment at any time.

DISPOSAL

My friend said his apartment _____ whenever I wanted.

9.5. We avoided getting into trouble because John speaks the local dialect fluently.

WOULD

If John didn't speak the local dialect, we _____ _____ into trouble.

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Task 6

Read the text. For questions 7.1.–7.5., choose the word or phrase which fits best in each gap. Circle the appropriate letter (A, B, C or D).

POWER-GENERATING TILES

Would you believe that while people were making their way to attend the Olympics in London in 2012, they were also producing renewable energy? And as a result, they **7.1.** _____ to a breakthrough in renewable power.

Around one million or so visitors alighted at West Ham underground station to get to the Games. Access to the Olympic Park was via a tiled walkway. Using a hybrid technology that **7.2.** _____ kinetic energy into electricity, the walkway's lights were powered by a uniquely original source: footsteps. Laurence Kemball-Cook, **7.3.** _____ behind the technology, dreamt up the idea of turning footsteps into power when he worked at Loughborough University.

The young inventor calls his creation "footfall harvesting". How does it work? The tile surface flexes about five millimetres **7.4.** _____, thus creating kinetic energy that is then used to produce an average of six watts per footstep. During the two weeks of the Games, the tiles generated 20 kilowatt-hours or 72 million joules, which provided **7.5.** _____ energy to keep the walkway lights illuminated at full power through the night, and at half power during the day, with plenty of back-up energy to spare. Kemball-Cook sees renewable energy technology as a potential alternative to solar, which is difficult to use indoors or in built-up urban areas.

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7.1.

- **A.** would rather contribute
- **B.** had better contribute
- **C.** may have contributed
- **D.** used to be contributed

7.2.

- **A.** applies
- **B.** converts
- **C.** generates
- **D.** discloses

7.3.

- **A.** the heads
- **B.** the minds
- **C.** the wits
- **D.** the brains

7.4.

- **A.** when stepped on
- **B.** to being stepped on
- **C.** having stepped on
- **D.** while stepping on

7.5.

- **A.** unnecessary
- **B.** extended
- **C.** foremost
- **D.** sufficient

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