

For questions **9–16**, read the text below and think of the word which best fits each gap. Use only **one** word in each gap. There is an example at the beginning **(0)**.

In the exam, write your answers **IN CAPITAL LETTERS** on the **separate answer sheet**.

Example:

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Swimming with seals

The UK is home to half the world's population of grey seals and there **(0)** many local boat trips offering sightseeing tours out to the islands and sandbanks **(9)** the animals are most regularly found.

But if you really want to get close **(10)** the seals and understand something about their way of life, then you need to go on an underwater seal-watching trip. On these trips, you have the chance to go over the side of the boat and, equipped **(11)** a wetsuit, mask and snorkel, spend time in the water alongside the animals.

Seals are extremely inquisitive creatures and, once you're in the water, they will swim past you trying to work **(12)** who you are and **(13)** you're doing there. **(14)** they can appear shy at first, seals soon **(15)** used to you being in the water, and will come and play around you. Young pups especially like to **(16)** contact with divers, and often use their teeth, gently biting masks, fins and cameras out of curiosity. It can be a thrilling experience.

For questions 17–24, 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).

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Example: 0 H E A L T H Y

Brain games

According to experts, doing puzzles keeps our brains fit and (0) HEALTH

As well as gaining (17) from finding the correct answer SATISFY

to a difficult problem, we give our brains a good workout in the process. To help us do this, all sorts of handheld 'brain games' are now available in the shops, and the most (18) games SUCCESS have sold in their millions.

What's more, people (19) that the more they play the COVER games, the easier it is to find a (20) to the problems SOLVE posed. They see this as proof that there has been an (21) IMPROVE in the power of their brains. Unfortunately, however, this may be a false impression.

Some (22) argue that the brain gets better at any task SCIENCE the more often it is repeated. In other words, the improvement in the (23) of the brain is something that happens naturally. PERFORM

So although these brain games are obviously fun to play, it remains (24) whether they are actually helping to boost CERTAIN brainpower or not.

- 2 You have received an email from your English-speaking friend, Jack, who is coming to visit your country with some friends. Write an email to Jack, answering his questions.

What are the best places to explore and things to see in your area?
Should we use public transport or hire bikes? Are there interesting museums or exhibitions to learn about your country?
Join us if you can!
Please write soon.
Jack

Write your **email**.

Part 3

You will hear five short extracts in which people are talking about classical music. For questions 19–23, choose from the list (A–H) the reason each person gives for starting to play classical music. Use the letters only once. There are three extra letters which you do not need to use.

A following a family tradition

Speaker 1

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B being introduced to a range of good music

Speaker 2

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C the experience of attending a concert

Speaker 3

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D the encouragement of a teacher

Speaker 4

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E hearing it in an everyday situation

Speaker 5

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F realising the importance of starting young

G the influence of someone famous

H finding other types of music unexciting