



### Mini Test 01

For questions **1-9**, read the text below and decide which answer (**A**, **B**, **C** or **D**) best fits each gap.

#### Why you should read fiction

At school, the **(1)**..... majority of what we learn is factual. In history lessons we memorise names and dates; in science we have to cope **(2)**..... chemical formulas and complex equations; in maths it's all numbers and signs. It's only in language lessons where we may **(3)**..... fiction. Some people would argue that there's **(4)**..... point in reading something which is 'made up'. If this is the **(5)**....., why do language teachers encourage their students to look at anything **(6)**..... from dictionaries and reference materials?

It is because they are **(7)**..... of the benefits that reading brings. It isn't simply because reading fiction helps us **(8)**..... reality for a while and switch off from our everyday routines. Reading fiction also teaches us to see the world through other people's eyes. It **(9)**..... us to understand the feelings of others, making us more empathetic. Fiction, in other words, helps us be better friends.

<b>1</b>	<b>A</b> vast	<b>B</b> wide	<b>C</b> far	<b>D</b> high
<b>2</b>	<b>A</b> for	<b>B</b> on	<b>C</b> by	<b>D</b> with
<b>3</b>	<b>A</b> come up	<b>B</b> come across	<b>C</b> come about	<b>D</b> come over
<b>4</b>	<b>A</b> little	<b>B</b> slight	<b>C</b> minimal	<b>D</b> hardly
<b>5</b>	<b>A</b> issue	<b>B</b> matter	<b>C</b> case	<b>D</b> point
<b>6</b>	<b>A</b> except	<b>B</b> apart	<b>C</b> other	<b>D</b> beside
<b>7</b>	<b>A</b> aware	<b>B</b> wise	<b>C</b> familiar	<b>D</b> sensitive
<b>8</b>	<b>A</b> depart	<b>B</b> miss	<b>C</b> escape	<b>D</b> break
<b>9</b>	<b>A</b> lets	<b>B</b> authorises	<b>C</b> makes	<b>D</b> enable