

Task 8

Read the texts below. For questions (39-48) choose the correct answer (A, B, C or D). Write your answers on the separate answer sheet.

AirPods: Love at First Hearing

Fond of running, listening to podcasts, audiobooks, music? This ingenious Apple device will definitely (39) _____ in handy for you. They are so loud, so clear and, most impressive, so light that you will forget about them in your ears and will have music around you, just in the air.

Being announced in 2016, these truly wireless earbuds immediately received rave reviews due to their clever design and thoughtful (40) _____ features, such as hands-free Siri activation, music control or monitoring vital signs.

But what really sets air pods (41) _____ from average headphones is stellar active noise cancellation that silences the world around you unless you turn on "transparency mode".

It is unbelievable how well they fit most people and startling how difficult it is to dislodge them by (42) _____.

Despite its astonishing simplicity and comfort, the device went through plenty of obstacles since its (43) _____ in 2011.

39	A	go	B	come	C	run	D	become
40	A	software	B	hardware	C	pop-up	D	attachment
41	A	except	B	off	C	out	D	apart
42	A	design	B	purpose	C	accident	D	coincidence
43	A	findings	B	invention	C	discovery	D	research

Healthy Risk Taking

Risk taking is not **(44)** _____ an integral part of identity development but also exploring the boundaries that exist as well as finding out who you are and what you are worth. Risky behaviour, in **(45)** _____ speeding or texting while driving, is often at its lifetime peak in adolescence and can lead to unpleasant or even tragic consequences such as loss of vehicle control, crashes and serious **(46)** _____.

If being **(47)** _____ to hospital or spending months on **(48)** _____ are not in your plans, think of healthy risk taking activities that create excitement without the potential for unhealthy consequences. Learn new skills and experience new things while taking on more independence and responsibility for your life. It can be skydiving, canoeing or going on rides at an amusement park – less risky ways to get that adrenaline rush.

44	A	only	B	as	C	like	D	one
45	A	partly	B	partially	C	particular	D	particularly
46	A	pain	B	illnesses	C	diseases	D	injuries
47	A	admitted	B	accepted	C	acquired	D	abandoned
48	A	crutches	B	stretchers	C	sticks	D	alpenstocks

Task 9

Read the texts below. For questions (49-58) choose the correct answer (A, B, C or D). Write your answers on the separate answer sheet.

Home Workouts

A gym at home? Without any equipment? I've never heard (49) _____ nonsense! (50) _____, it exists, and plenty of people have already gained substantial benefits from trying it.

Home Workouts is the app on your phone that helps you exercise no matter where you are. It provides daily workout instructions for your chest, abs, arms and legs by offering tips, training plans and tracking tools to monitor your progress. Even (51) _____ it takes several minutes a day, you have all your main muscle groups effectively (52) _____.

No coach needed; just use video guidance so as to be sure that you use the right form during each exercise. All the workouts are designed by experts, and all exercises can be performed (53) _____ just your body weight.

Turn to one of the workout apps, and notice a change in your body in just a few weeks.

49	A	such	B	so	C	the	D	-
50	A	But	B	Although	C	Therefore	D	However
51	A	if	B	only	C	through	D	after
52	A	tone	B	toned	C	toning	D	been toned
53	A	from	B	with	C	on	D	to

Wearable Technology

Not until I saw how it worked, (54) _____ how useful it was. A fitness tracker, a type of electronic device that monitors human activities such as the number of steps you walk or your heart rate and sleep quality. It can tell you how many calories you're burning, how far you're running or alert you when you have new messages. (55) _____, they can send a "move alert" to let you know when you've been sitting still for too long. They can also send you messages of praise when you hit an activity goal.

Many of them are compatible with mobile systems and can be linked to Bluetooth (56) _____ upload data to a computer. (57) _____ their limitless potential, fitness trackers (or activity trackers as they are also called) can change the ways people monitor their fitness and health. Though they (58) _____ to help with obesity, now they are considered a part of the "next generation" of wearable computers that monitor your energy expenditure and heart health.

54	A	I realise	B	I have realised	C	did I realise	D	will I realise
55	A	Nevertheless	B	Consequently	C	Therefore	D	Furthermore
56	A	in order to	B	so that	C	in case	D	so as
57	A	Because	B	Because of	C	Since	D	Due
58	A	introduce	B	are introduced	C	have been introduced	D	have introduced