

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.

California Condor

From prehistoric times, the great condor is one of our largest and most impressive birds – and one of the rarest. They are easily recognised for their huge black wings, incredible eyesight and an inquisitive intelligence. Their natural (39)_____ is open grasslands and oak savanna foothills with populations of large (40)_____ like cattle or deer.

There used to be thousands of California condors in the USA and Mexico. However, last century, they were almost on the brink of (41)_____. Early reasons included shooting and also many condors died in traps or at poisoned carcasses put out to kill large predators. In 1980s, only two dozens of them survived worldwide.

Once all remaining wild condors were caught for (42)_____ breeding, a program was launched to help save the California Condor from extinction. The program has turned out to be surprisingly successful, and (43)_____ of released condors are surviving in several areas of California and in the region of the Grand Canyon.

39	A	reserve	B	habitat	C	resource	D	disaster
40	A	birds	B	reptiles	C	mammals	D	amphibians
41	A	extinction	B	evacuation	C	preservation	D	conservation
42	A	captive	B	renewable	C	environmental	D	endangered
43	A	parliaments	B	herds	C	schools	D	flocks

Juvenile Delinquency

Who is to blame for the fact that teenagers (44)_____ crimes? Parents, school, state or society? Juvenile delinquency is a mirror of society and its immediate future. The term *juvenile delinquents* refers to adolescents if they have been (45)_____ of breaking the law.

Why do young people turn to delinquency?

A variety of factors should be taken into (46)_____. Let's just compare general and music schools. In music schools, children do not fight, because their leisure is planned and their worldview and the circle of interests are constantly expanding.

Another contributing factor is the school system that still judges children with marks and doesn't allow young people to respect themselves and earn respect in the team because of their bad marks. And this encourages children to find other ways of attracting attention.

Finally, a lack of parental care frequently causes the situations when children find themselves in the wrong environment and "(47)_____ astray". And it often requires tremendous efforts to get back on the (48)_____ and narrow.

44	A	cause	B	prevent	C	commit	D	investigate
45	A	accused	B	arrested	C	punished	D	sentenced
46	A	justification	B	consideration	C	conservation	D	qualification
47	A	walk	B	wander	C	lead	D	go
48	A	right	B	strong	C	straight	D	fair

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.

Killing Heat

Year after year, extreme heat kills more people than any other natural disaster. According to scientific research, climate change is making heat waves longer, hotter, more likely, and more dangerous. The earth is becoming (49)_____ 1 degree Celsius warmer every year due to greenhouse gas emissions.

So, it is high time people (50)_____ about the ways of surviving a heat wave. Doctors insist (51)_____ more water than we usually do, as thirst is the first sign of dehydration. We should have a bottle of water with us wherever we go. They also advise people (52)_____ advantage of the cooling power of water, soaking feet, wearing a wet bandana on the head or shoulders and taking a shower. It is also a good idea to cover the windows which receive a lot of sun with drapes, shades, awnings, or louvres. Heat does kill if proper precautions (53)_____.

49	A	rough	B	roughly	C	rougher	D	more roughly
50	A	inform	B	to inform	C	are informed	D	were informed
51	A	consume	B	to consume	C	on consuming	D	in consuming
52	A	take	B	to take	C	taking	D	taken
53	A	take	B	don't take	C	are taken	D	are not taken

Body-worn Cameras: Pros and Cons

Body-worn cameras (BWCs) are devices with the potential to transform policing for the better by creating video records of the incidents that officers encounter and how they respond to those incidents. It was claimed that BWCs (54) _____ better relationships with the communities the police serve by promoting organisational transparency and accountability.

And indeed, the reports of the last three years confirmed that the recordings (55) _____ policing by making police work, including misconduct and police violence, more visible.

However, little (56) _____ about the body camera footage that wasn't made public. And one of the patrol officers confessed that he himself would never provide his personal information like driver's license numbers or address to a police officer with a camera, as it all could end up (57) _____ the Internet.

Though the goal of BWCs is to make police officers accountable for their actions, the effectiveness of their usage (58) _____.

54	A	build	B	will build	C	have built	D	would build
55	A	improve	B	improved	C	have improved	D	had improved
56	A	we know	B	we will know	C	did we know	D	will we know
57	A	on	B	in	C	at	D	from
58	A	has still questioned	B	still questions	C	is still being questioned	D	is still questioning