Questions 168-171 refer to the following article.

Winners Announced for This Year's British Architecture Awards

LONDON (15 December)—Fifty extraordinary structures chosen from around 250 shortlisted candidates have won the prestigious British Architecture Awards this year for the most innovative architecture by British architects or foreign architects with offices in Britain. Now in their twenty-second year, the British Architecture Awards are jointly presented by the London Museum of Architecture & Design and the British Centre for Urban Planning & Art. They recognize the architects of exceptional contemporary structures that shape our lives in a wide variety of ways, including skyscrapers, corporate headquarters, bridges, park pavilions, hospitals, private residences, and academic institutions.

Among this year's biggest winners were Simon Thorpe for Maitland Street Car Park, a stunning 9-level, 768-space car park with various eco-friendly features in Central Manchester; Marcus Fryer for Horizon Bridge, a breathtaking 195-meter-long pedestrian bridge uniquely equipped with 4,500 blinking LED stars synchronized with music; and Isobel McDuff for The Spire, an elegant 28-floor apartment building with a heated rooftop swimming pool that is located near Edinburgh's busy shopping areas.

As in previous years, because of the sheer number of winners, the awards were given out over the course of three evenings and three ceremonies from Friday, 12 December to Sunday, 14 December. The opening night saw the awards presented in the Corporate and Commercial categories, Saturday's awards were for the Residential and Urban Planning categories, and the final night recognized those in the Institutional category. Maitland Street Car Park made history by being the first structure to win its architect two awards in the same year: one in the Urban Planning category and the top honour, Most Innovative Design of the Year.

168. What is stated about the British Architecture Awards?

(A) Two organizations collaborate to issue them.
(B) They come with various amounts of prize money.
(C) Their list of categories recently increased.
(D) Only British citizens are eligible for them.

169. According to the article, what is special about Mr. Fryer's design?

(A) Its integration with a commercial area
(B) Its environmentally-friendly features
(C) Its combination of light and sound
(D) Its impressive height

170. When most likely did Ms. McDuff accept her award?

(A) On December 12
(B) On December 13
(C) On December 14
(D) On December 15

171. What is suggested about Mr. Thorpe?

(A) He has won awards in the past.
(B) He presented an award on Saturday.
(C) He was given a lifetime achievement award.
(D) He received two awards this year.

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Questions 172-175 refer to the following e-mail.

To:	Len Goldman <lgoldman@whizzomail.net>
From:	Mi-Kyung Choi <mkchoi@summitsc.com>
Subject:	SparkLite Fire Pit
Date:	September 6

Dear Mr. Goldman,

I was very excited to receive the information pack for your latest patented invention. The SparkLite Fire Pit seems fantastic and is certainly a product that we would be highly interested in making available in Summit Sports & Camping Stores. We love its portability and solar charging option. — [1] —. However, I do have a few questions about its design. First, would you mind clarifying how the air jets pump oxygen into the wood fire? — [2] —. Also, the information pack outlines how the fire intensity can be controlled via smartphone app. Which operating systems is the app compatible with?

— [3] —. While I would very much like for you to answer those quick questions at your earliest convenience, I would also like you to visit our headquarters in person with one of the fire pits. As I am sure you know, our executives prefer to see new products in use firsthand before approving a contract to purchase and sell them. We would be grateful if you could attend a meeting at 2 P.M. on September 13 at which you would be allotted one hour to showcase the device's functions and capabilities.

Based on the product specifications and photographs you sent me, not to mention the popularity of your camping stove and multifunctional cooler, which are still among our top sellers, I am confident that we will choose to stock the SparkLite Fire Pit. — [4] —. I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Mi-Kyung Choi
Head of Purchasing
Summit Sports & Camping

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172. What is NOT true about the SparkLite Fire Pit?

(A) It can use renewable energy.
(B) It is easy to transport.
(C) It connects to mobile devices.
(D) It is awaiting a patent confirmation.

173. What does Ms. Choi ask Mr. Goldman to do?

(A) Give a live demonstration
(B) Send over a prototype
(C) Suggest contract terms
(D) Visit a manufacturing site

174. What can be inferred about Summit Sports & Camping?

(A) It is planning to expand its selection of sportswear.
(B) It is Mr. Goldman's former employer.
(C) It stocks other products created by Mr. Goldman.
(D) It has placed an initial order for SparkLite Fire Pits.

175. In which of the positions marked [1], [2], [3], and [4] does the following sentence best belong?

"We have some minor concerns regarding the safety of such a mechanism."

(A) [1]
(B) [2]
(C) [3]
(D) [4]

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Questions 176-180 refer to the following advertisement and registration form.

Growth Strategies for Newly Founded Companies

Do you want to grow and improve your new company, but you are unsure where to start? Fulbridge Growth Strategies is the place for you. We offer seminars on an array of subjects that are useful to novice business owners. Each one is taught with a combination of wisdom earned through decades of hands-on professional work and cutting-edge understanding of the latest management techniques and trends. Below is a sample of what we will be offering this fall:

Coming Together (Seminar Code #1809) - Price: $48

This seminar provides a variety of strategies for encouraging your employees to work together effectively.

↪ Wednesday, September 3, 10:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.; Main Building, Room 204

Tomorrow's Market (Seminar Code #3487) - Price: $95

This seminar offers advice on how to attract a wider range of clients to your products or services.

↪ Wednesday, September 24, 10:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.; Training Center, Room 3

Broaden Your Horizons (Seminar Code #2276) - Price: $149

This seminar gives business owners essential tips on what to consider when planning to open a new branch.

↪ Wednesday, October 15, 10:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.; Main Building, Room 206

Keeping the Pace (Seminar Code #3785) - Price: $109

This seminar introduces popular employee perks, such as flexible working hours, and explains how to implement them.

↪ Wednesday, November 5, 10:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.; Training Center, Room 4

Visit www.fulbridge-gs.com for more information.

Fulbridge Growth Strategies - Seminar Registration

Name:	Robin Booky
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Seminar Code:	#3487
Payment Method:	Bank Transfer
Comments:	I am really looking forward to attending my first Fulbridge seminar at your training center in September. As requested, I have sent the $59 registration fee to your corporate account. My only concern is that I might not make it to the center by 10 A.M., as I live very far away. I would appreciate it if someone could let me know via e-mail whether this would be a major problem. Thank you.

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176. What is implied about Fulbridge Growth Strategies?

(A) It provides sample teaching materials on its Web site.
(B) Its instructors have practical business experience.
(C) Its offerings can be customized upon request.
(D) It holds the same set of seminars every season.

177. What topic is NOT covered by the listed seminars?

(A) Advising customers on purchasing decisions
(B) Fostering teamwork between employees
(C) Adding new work sites to a company
(D) Granting certain benefits to staff

178. In the advertisement, the word "flexible" in paragraph 5, line 2, is closest in meaning to

(A) gradual
(B) obedient
(C) bendable
(D) variable

179. What information has Mr. Booky most likely read incorrectly?

(A) The location of the seminar
(B) The fee for the seminar
(C) The month of the seminar
(D) The start time of the seminar

180. What does Mr. Booky ask Fulbridge Growth Strategies to do?

(A) Determine the seriousness of a risk
(B) Make an exception to a policy
(C) Compile some alternative options
(D) Give regular updates on a situation

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Questions 181-185 refer to the following information from a brochure and customer review.

CASTELLENTE STORAGE COMPANY
RESIDENTIAL STORAGE UNITS



Castellente's residential storage units come in a variety of sizes and can be rented for as little as two weeks or as long as you like. Each one is on the ground floor for convenient packing and unpacking, and has its own security alarm and camera. You keep the key to your unit's lock so that you can access your belongings at any time, on any day of the week. What's more, our built-in heating and cooling systems ensure that it never becomes dangerously hot or cold in your unit.

Unit Type	Size	Weekly / Monthly Price*	Suitable for:
A	13.6m²	£52 / £208	The contents of a three-bedroom house
B	6.7m²	£32 / £128	The contents of a one-bedroom apartment
C	3.4m²	£18 / £72	Several items of furniture
D	1.6m²	£10 / £40	A few boxes

*A deposit of £50.00 is also required. Castellente Storage Company may keep all or part of this if the rental unit is found to be dirty or damaged at the end of the rental period.

http://www.birminghamsmartreviews.com/storage/0421

Castellente Storage Company Reviews

I rented a unit from Castellente to store my belongings in when I had to move to Germany for a six-month study program. My experience couldn't have been better. First, I wasn't sure how much space I needed, so their representative kindly explained the options without pressuring me. She also made sure I understood the terms of the rental contract before I signed it. And when I brought over my stuff—a bed, a dresser, some small appliances—the worker on duty offered to help me unload it and organise it all efficiently. Six months later, everything was right where I'd left it, safe and dry. Castellente is an excellent self-storage facility.

By Kiera Ritz, 2 December

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181. What is NOT mentioned as a feature of each storage unit?

(A) Temperature control
(B) 24-hour accessibility
(C) A security system
(D) An electric power outlet

182. According to the information, for what is there an additional charge?

(A) Choosing a rental period of less than two weeks
(B) Renting a unit on the ground floor
(C) Leaving a unit in poor condition
(D) Replacing the key to a unit

183. Which type of storage unit did Ms. Ritz most likely rent?

(A) Type A
(B) Type B
(C) Type C
(D) Type D

184. Why did Ms. Ritz need to store some items?

(A) She went to live abroad temporarily.
(B) She relocated to a smaller home.
(C) She was remodeling her residence.
(D) She bought supplies for a new hobby.

185. What does Ms. Ritz indicate about Castellente Storage Company?

(A) Its facilities are spacious.
(B) Its staff are helpful.
(C) Its reputation is excellent.
(D) Its contracts are easy to understand.

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