

TEST 9

TASK 1

Read the text below. Match choices (A–H) to (1–5). There are two choices you do not need to use.

Travel Tips You Should Know

1 _____ Use the hotel soap. Or take a little traveller sized bottle of laundry detergent with you. It's much easier than finding a Laundromat in a foreign country. And there are only so many times that you can wear the same pair of undies.

2 _____ You've only got space for a few items of clothing. Sewing a broken button back on will save you a lot of hassle.

3 _____ This can be used to feel clean when there are no showers. Yes, sometimes there are NO showers.

4 _____ You do not need to take 20 kg for a week of travel. You CAN wear trousers two days in a row or more. The less you have to carry, the happier you will be travelling. And if the French Metro goes on strike on the day you need to get to the airport – you will thank us.

5 _____ Cheap food, local flavours. Find the nearest one to your hotel and you will save yourself a heap of cash. Have a picnic lunch every day.

- A** Wash your clothes in the sink / shower.
- B** Carry baby wipes / facewipes.
- C** Be aware of the local laws.
- D** Grocery stores are a traveller's best resource.
- E** Buy and wear good walking shoes.
- F** Learn how to pack light.
- G** Learn how to use a needle and thread.

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TASK 2

Read the text below. For questions (6–10) choose the correct answer (A, B, C, or D).

The Aviemore Sled Dog Rally

The Aviemore Sled Dog Rally, run by the Siberian Husky Club of Great Britain, is the biggest race of its kind in the UK; an unmissable event for British mushers that sees hundreds of teams race through the picturesque Cairngorms countryside.

This started in 1984 with just 12 teams but is now attended by up to 3,000 onlookers who watch as 200 teams run over 1,000 sled dogs around forest trails beside Loch Morlich.

While sled dog racing is traditionally a sport enjoyed in snow-covered countries, the British sport has been adapted to suit our tepid climate. "In Alaska and Canada the dogs are bred to pull medium loads over long distances and their races can be over 1,000 miles, and even a short race is 50 miles," says Judy Wakker, a spokesperson for the Siberian Husky Club of Great Britain who has been competing as a musher since 1996. "In the UK we don't have the space or the weather for it, so we do dry-land races on rigs – which are like tricycles where you stand rather than sit – and the races are shorter and faster. If we just waited for snow we'd always be waiting."

Still, the speed of the races can make for dramatic viewing. "It's an exciting sport," says Wakker. "Teams go out at one minute intervals so there's lots of passing on the trail, and at the finish you might have three or four teams finishing at once. The UK is the leading country for dry-land racing."

Sled dogs were first brought to the UK in 1968 and people started running them almost immediately after. The pedigree breeds of dogs, which were first bred to pull sleds in the Arctic, include Alaskan malamutes, samoyeds, Greenland dogs and Canadian Eskimo dogs. Many of the dogs that compete in the rally also perform at dog shows such as Crufts.

6. The Aviemore Sled Dog Rally is of great significance for...
A *the bike riders* C *the breeders of the husky dogs*
B *the drivers of a dog sled* D *the members of all dog clubs*
7. The event takes place ...
A *on the road* C *on the wood paths*
B *on the lake* D *at the stadium*
8. This sport has been adjusted to ...
A *the warm weather of the region* C *the long-distanced routes*
B *the snow-covered tracks* D *the picturesque Siberian countryside*
9. During the race people are usually excited with ...
A *the rate of the motion* C *the loads dogs have to pull*
B *the sluggishness of the dogs* D *the varieties of rigs*
10. The rally has been organized in the UK ...
A *for nearly a century* C *for almost 60 years*
B *since the early nineties* D *since the late sixties*

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TASK 3

Read the text below. Match choices (A–H) to (11–16). There are two choices you do not need to choose.

Fashion Tips for Teenagers

11 _____ Some of the most attractive people in the word are not always the most fashionably dressed, yet they radiate a self-assurance that gets them noticed. One of the most important aspects of being a teenage girl is the feeling that you fit in, but if you have the right attitude, there's no reason why you shouldn't be part of the peer group for you! The right clothes can lend you some assertiveness, but make sure you're comfortable in what you're wearing otherwise you might lose some of your poise.

12 _____ Assess your assets and dress them up. If you have a short waist, keep it uncluttered to appear longer. Camouflage your sloping shoulders with shoulder pads to look taller and slimmer. Raglan or dolman sleeves are best for girls with broad shoulders. V-necklines are perfect for a big bust.

13 _____ It is very important to highlight the fact that weight is not a major issue for staying trendy. To look great you need not lose weight. So forget the numbers and don't insist on a smaller size, order the one that fits now! It's about knowing how something should sit on the body and framing it in a flattering and comfortable way.

14 _____ Don't worry about being practical when it comes to sunglasses, because a quick way to update any look is to slip on the latest shades.

15 _____ Got compliments on your outfit today? Snap a pic with your phone. You will have a quick reminder of what to wear the next time you are in a rush.

16 _____ You don't need to spend a fortune on your outfit to look good, and perhaps it's wise not to. First, your body shape, size and height change. Second, I'm sure you won't look after your clothes in a way that prolongs their lifespan. Third, I know you don't care about the quality of a piece the same way adults do.

- A** Create your look book
- B** Get a great haircut
- C** Focus on fit not size
- D** Confidence is key
- E** Set a budget
- F** Have fun with eyewear
- G** Balance your figure
- H** Be smart

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TASK 4

Read the text below. Match choices (A-H) to (17-22). There are two choices you do not need to use. Write your answers on the answer sheet.

Cristiano Ronaldo

Cristiano Ronaldo dos Santos Aveiro was born in 1985. He is widely regarded 17_____. Ronaldo became a soccer superstar playing 18_____. He plays in midfield, from where he regularly scores spectacular goals.

Ronaldo started kicking a ball around 19_____. His skill was obvious then and by ten years old, two of Portugal's top clubs wanted to sign him. He joined Sporting Lisbon. His skills soon attracted Europe's big teams.

In 2009, Ronaldo joined his boyhood heroes Real Madrid and became the most expensive footballer in history. His transfer fee was over \$131 million. He broke Real's scoring record in his second season, 20_____. He bettered that in 2011-12, netting 60 times 21_____.

With more than 100 goals at international level, Ronaldo is also Portugal's all-time top goal scorer. He was ranked the world's highest-paid athlete 22_____. He is the first footballer and the third sportsman to earn US one billion dollars in his career.

A when he was three

B where he studied

C with 53 goals in all competitions

D for English team Manchester United, Spain's Real Madrid and for Portugal

E to help Real win Spain's La Liga

F to become a football hero

G as one of the best players in the world

H by Forbes in 2016 and 2017



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TASK 5

Read and complete the text below. For each of the empty spaces (23–27) choose the correct answer (A, B, C, or D).

Aqualung

The aqualung is a 23_____ apparatus that supplies oxygen to divers and allows them to stay underwater for several hours. It was 24_____ in 1943 by Jacques-Yves Cousteau (1910–1997) and the French industrial gas control systems engineer Emile Gagnan. 25_____ the innovations in their device was a mechanism that provided 26_____ and exhaust valves at the same level. That summer, the new device was tested in the Mediterranean Sea down to 210 ft (68 m) by Cousteau, Philippe Tailliez, and Frederik Dumas. This safe, easy-to-use, and reliable device was the first modern scuba 27_____.

23	A	lifeless	B	breathing	C	gasping	D	living
24	A	done	B	made	C	invented	D	created
25	A	Among	B	Between	C	In	D	Across
26	A	inspiration	B	inhalation	C	animation	D	gasp
27	A	sum	B	part	C	totality	D	system

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TASK 6

Read and complete the text below. For each of the empty spaces (28–32) choose the correct answer (A, B, C, or D).

Teaching and Learning English

I'm very curious how it came to be that teaching students a foreign language 28_____ the status it has in the U.S. My oldest daughter is a college freshman, and not only 29_____ for her to study Spanish for the last four or more years – but her college 30_____ her to study even more! In a day and age where schools at every level are complaining about 31_____ resources, why on earth do we continue to force these kids to study a foreign language that 32_____ will ever use, and virtually all do not retain?

28	A	reached	B	had reached	C	has been reached	D	has reached
29	A	I have paid	B	have I paid	C	I did pay	D	did I pay
30	A	is requiring	B	requires	C	require	D	required
31	A	limit	B	limits	C	limited	D	has limited
32	A	few	B	a few	C	little	D	a little

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