

Część gramatyczno leksykalna

TASK 8. (0–5)

Read the text and fill in each gap (8.1.–8.5.) with one word only. The text must be logical and correct in both grammar and spelling. Write the missing word in the space provided.

LIVE LIKE F. SCOTT FITZGERALD

If you've got \$625,000, you can acquire a piece of literary history. Fans of F. Scott Fitzgerald now have the **8.1.** _____ to purchase a Minnesota row house where he wrote one of his first and most famous novels.

The novel **8.2.** _____ question is *This Side of Paradise*. When it was published in 1920, it launched the young author into superstardom. Fitzgerald wrote this debut novel while holed up in his parents' home in St. Paul, Minnesota, in tense circumstances. He'd broken up with his girlfriend Zelda and hoped that **8.3.** _____ he finished and sold the book, he could win her back.

Fitzgerald's parents moved into a residence in Summit Terrace, a collection of Victorian row houses, in 1918. With its historic features, like a "dramatic 3-storey staircase", it was an appropriate setting for book writing. *This Side of Paradise* is a story of a young man who loses the love of his life in a post-World War I setting – a premise that was pretty similar to the situation Fitzgerald **8.4.** _____ himself in after he moved back home. Fitzgerald transformed a familiar coming-of-age story into a modern novel of disaffected youth and postwar wealth and corruption. Critics loved Fitzgerald's book, and he became an immediate literary sensation. When the book was published, Zelda accepted his hand in marriage.

There's **8.5.** _____ telling whether you'll write your next bestseller in the house Fitzgerald once occupied, but if you can afford it, you can move into this house of history for way less than a million.

TASK 9. (0-6)

For questions 1-6, complete each gap using the words given so that the sentence is logical and correct as far as spelling and grammar are concerned. Use up to six words including the words given. Do not change the order of the words given in brackets.

1. It came as an unpleasant surprise to everybody that the chairman reacted so angrily to our proposal.

ABACK

Everybody _____ by the chairman's angry reaction to our proposal.

2. (**Surprising / it / seem**) _____, the 80-year-old athlete running in this group is much fitter than the younger competitors.

3. As far as I know, no one is talking about you behind your back.

BEST

To _____, no one is talking about you behind your back.

4. The story I heard yesterday (**make / I / think / change**) _____ my job.

5. If the plane is delayed, the passengers will be offered alternative flights.

DELAY

Should _____ of the plane, the passengers will be offered alternative flights.

6. If we hadn't persevered, we wouldn't have achieved our goal.

BEEN

_____ our perseverance, we wouldn't have achieved our goal.