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Reading

1 Read the article about an unusual prison.

Prisoners in paradise



There are many reasons for tourists to visit the tropical islands of the Philippines: stunning beaches, some of world's finest diving spots, extraordinary geological features such as the Chocolate Hills and the Puerto Princesa Subterranean River National Park. **1** _____ Iwahig Prison and Penal Farm is one of the world's largest open prisons and, strange as it sounds, it welcomes thousands of tourists every year.

The prison stands on around 340 km² of land covered with forest and bordered by mountains. There are no high walls to keep the prisoners locked inside, just a ditch which is not guarded. **2** _____ A small part of the land is used for growing rice, and coconut tree groves, corn fields and other vegetable plots have been created here and there. Animals such as goats and cows wander around, while ducks, white egrets and other water birds feed in the rice fields.

The prisoners are sent here to learn and to earn. All but the most dangerous of them are given training in skills such as farming and fishing. These activities provide an income for the prison authorities, helping to pay the costs of running the prison. **3** _____ The aim of this unusual prison is to give the prisoners the experience of being part of a community and a chance at building a successful life for themselves when they are released.

Not all prisoners here have equal levels of freedom. There are about 200 minimum security prisoners who are allowed to live in their own straw-and-bamboo huts around the

prison grounds, and even bring their families to live there.

4 _____ These prisoners work the fields in large groups watched by just a few prison guards, who can often be seen resting under trees while the prisoners work with sharp metal tools. At night, they sleep together in large buildings with plenty of space. Only the 150 maximum security prisoners must work indoors and are locked up and isolated overnight.

Iwahig welcomes tourists who are curious to see this unique prison. At its ceremonial gate, one guard sits as people walk past him often without being checked. **5** _____ This is surprising enough, but also prisoners don't look anything like the typical image of a prisoner. They are wearing loose T-shirts and caps they have chosen themselves specially for the show. The tourists donate a little money to the performers and may spend more in the gift shop, where the souvenirs have been crafted by the prisoners themselves.

Tourists don't just come for these novelties though. Their visit is an opportunity to see how the prisoners live in the prison and talk to them. The prisoners share their food with tourists as if they are their guests and chat about life in the prison. **6** _____ One reason is that, compared to the conditions that prisoners live in in other prisons in the Philippines, life is very good here. Perhaps, though, the main thing that keeps them here is the chance of a new kind of life on their release. Fewer than 10% of the prisoners at Iwahig will commit another crime when they leave.

2 Complete the Exam Task.

Exam TASK

Six sentences have been removed from the article. Choose from the sentences **A–G** the one which fits each gap (1–6). There is one extra sentence which you do not need to use.

- A** Most of the 3,186 prisoners are free to move around this area, clearing trees and farming crops.
- B** For good behaviour, the maximum security prisoners can earn more freedoms after they have served half of their sentence.
- C** But one attraction that tourists often say is a highlight of their trip is completely unexpected.
- D** Inside the prison, tourists are greeted by the prisoners performing a perfectly synchronised dance routine to pop music.
- E** They have more responsibilities and earn twice as much as the medium-security prisoners.
- F** The prisoners too, earn a small salary, some of which is saved for them until the end of their sentence.
- G** A common question is why the prisoners don't escape when it would be so easy to do so.

(_____ / 6 marks)

Vocabulary and Use your English

1 Complete the Exam Task.

Exam TASK

For questions 1–8, read the text below and decide which answer (A, B, C or D) best fits each gap.

You are what you wear

Some people think that what they wear isn't really that important. They (1) _____ on their clothes without giving it much thought. They just want to get dressed and out the door. They use the excuse that they are too busy to take (2) _____ of their appearance. But they don't realise how much it can (3) _____ your confidence to know that you are looking your best. If you are one of these people, then you could be at (4) _____ of missing out on work and social opportunities simply because you're not taking the time to make an effort.

If you are interested in putting these ideas to the test, you can begin by going through your wardrobe. Throw away anything that you (5) _____ across that is worn out or damaged. Make sure that you donate the clothes that don't fit you any more to charity, even if it's a favourite item. It can be given a new (6) _____ of life with an owner who will actually be able to wear it. Then you should take a good look at what is left and work out which things (7) _____ together and which don't.

Dressing well requires time and effort, but it does pay off in the end. If you make the right (8) _____ wherever you go, I'm sure you'll find that life gets just a little bit easier in other ways.

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| 1 A bring | B drop | C pass | D throw |
| 2 A awareness | B care | C sense | D love |
| 3 A rise | B give | C build | D step |
| 4 A risk | B danger | C chance | D trouble |
| 5 A find | B come | C look | D discover |
| 6 A time | B chance | C run | D lease |
| 7 A go | B look | C mix | D design |
| 8 A expression | B performance | C impression | D idea |

(____ / 8 marks)

2 Complete the sentences with the correct form of the words.

- Her art is so _____ – I don't know where she gets her ideas from. **IMAGINE**
- My teacher gave me an _____ of the poem, but I still didn't understand. **EXPLAIN**
- There's no _____ of life on other planets yet, but I'm sure it's out there. **PROVE**
- I find that _____ helps me remember new vocabulary. **REPEAT**
- We didn't mean to _____ you. I'm so sorry if we upset you. **EXCLUSIVE**
- These noodles are _____ eaten at Chinese New Year. **TRADITION**
- I'm afraid I don't know very much about _____. **POLITICAL**
- They _____ the evidence from crime scenes in this laboratory. **ANALYSIS**
- _____, she had never heard of Picasso, so I showed her some of his art. **SURPRISE**
- We had an unexpected _____ in the middle of the night – my neighbour's cat! **VISIT**

(____ / 10 marks)

3 Complete the Exam Task.

Exam TASK

For questions 1–6, complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence. **Do not change the word given.** You must use between **two** and **five** words, including the word given.

- 1 'I'll buy you lunch to celebrate your promotion,' said Celia.

OFFER

Celia _____ lunch to celebrate my promotion.

- 2 Jon's sister cut his hair.

HAD

Jon _____ his sister.

- 3 The secretary answers the phone and replies to emails.

ANSWER

Not only _____ the phone, but she also replies to emails.

- 4 I'm upset because I spent all my money on one dress.

REGRET

I _____ on one dress.

- 5 I can't wait to see Jane and hear her news.

CATCHING

I'm really looking forward _____ with Jane.

- 6 Luke is finally starting to recover from his illness!

MEND

Luke is _____ at last!

(____ / 6 marks)

Listening

1 Listen and complete the Exam Task.

Exam TASK

You will hear people talking in eight different situations. For questions 1–8, choose the best answer (A, B or C).

- 1 You hear a man and woman talking.
What is the man pleased about?
A His new job will be more satisfying than his old job.
B He has achieved his ambition of becoming a manager.
C The salary in the new job will be higher than in his old job.
- 2 You hear a woman talking.
What does she plan to do next in her career?
A Get some qualifications.
B Apply for a job at the hospital.
C Do voluntary work in order to get experience.
- 3 You hear a man and woman talking.
What is the man worried about?
A Not being a good manager
B Being poor when he's old
C Losing his job in the future
- 4 You hear a tourist talking on the phone. What is she embarrassed about?
A She didn't give the waiter a tip at the end of the meal.
B She left too much money on the table in a restaurant.
C She couldn't pay the bill at a restaurant.
- 5 You hear a boy talking about a problem at school. What is his opinion?
A Martin didn't do anything wrong.
B Martin committed a serious crime.
C Martin should not have been punished.
- 6 You hear a man and a woman talking about their teenage daughter.
What does the father think his daughter should do?
A Start looking for a job.
B Concentrate on her education.
C Speak about her goals more often.
- 7 You hear a girl talking to a boy about fashion.
What does she say about his clothes?
A He should spend more time choosing his clothes.
B He always looks like he is going somewhere special.
C He looks good even though he doesn't make an effort.
- 8 You hear an answerphone message.
Why is the doctor calling?
A To give the patient some good news.
B To ask the patient to come in for some tests.
C To tell the patient that their prescription is ready.

(____ / 8 marks)

Writing

Complete the Exam Task. Write your answer in 140–190 words in an appropriate style.

Exam TASK

You see this notice on your school website:

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English-language online media

We are looking for reviews of English-language online media, such as blogs, websites, videos, TV shows and magazines. Your review should include examples of the topics and types of information that are included, and your opinion of them. You should also say if you would recommend this media and why.

All reviews will be published here.

Write your **review**.

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