

You are going to read an article about whether men or women are better at multitasking. Some words are missing from the text.

Choose the most appropriate answer from the options for each gap (1-9) in the text.

There is one example (0) at the beginning.



WHO IS BETTER AT MULTITASKING?

Men were slower and (0) **less** organised than women when switching quickly between tasks in tests (1) _____ by UK psychologists.

First, they compared 120 women and 120 men in a computer test (2) _____ involved switching between tasks like counting and recognising shapes. Men and women were equal when they did one task (3) _____ time. But when the tasks were mixed up and the switching became faster, (4) _____ women and men slowed down and made more mistakes. However, men were significantly slower.

To make the experiment more relevant to everyday life, the researchers (5) _____ a second test. The participants were given eight minutes to complete a series of tasks – locating restaurants on a map, answering a phone call, and deciding how (6) _____ search for a lost key in a field. Completing all these tasks in eight minutes was impossible, (7) _____ men and women had to prioritise, organise their time, and keep calm. Women spent more time (8) _____ thinking at the beginning, whereas men jumped in too quickly. It suggests that – in a stressful and complex situation – women are more (9) _____ to stop and think about what's going on in front of them.

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