ΘΕΜΑ 1. ΚΑΤΑΝΟΗΣΗ ΓΡΑΠΤΟΥ ΛΟΓΟΥ

Read the text and choose the correct option (A, B or C) for items 1-10.



Greek law **prohibits the sale** of alcoholic drinks to children younger than 18 years old, or their entry to bars and clubs. Yet, these laws are never enforced and, what's worse, a lot of these places are even getting away with selling potentially adulterated spirits. Alcohol consumption among teenagers in Greece is widespread, largely because it is considered socially acceptable and could even be taking place in the home. According to a study on youngsters aged up to 16 years old by the University Mental Health Research Institute (UMHRI) in Athens, 94.1 percent of respondents in Greece had consumed alcohol at some point. "Alcohol-related harm is the third biggest factor in the rise of mortality in Europe. At the same time, it is a legal and very widely available product that is economically important to businesses and states. All of this requires a multidimensional approach to the issue, but under no circumstances should we treat alcohol as something innocent, especially when it comes to young people," said a clinical psychologist. "Greece is a wine-producing country and drinking wine or other alcoholic drinks is part of the country's cultural heritage. You cannot imagine a festive dinner without there being wine, beer or some form of alcohol on the table. The question is how societies can hold onto the positive aspects of such cultural traits and avoid the **harmful consequences**." "Children in Greece first taste alcohol much sooner than in other European countries and many parents actually encourage their children –wrongly, of course– to taste beer or wine at a very young age", added the clinical psychologist. This misguided practice tends to be spurred by the belief that it will take the mystique out of alcohol and make children less eager to get their hands on it later in their adult life.

(Words: 300)

1. This kind of text can be found in a
- **A.** historic novel.
- **B.** travel website.
- **C.** daily newspaper.

2. A suitable title for this text could be:
- **A.** Causes and effects of alcohol addiction.
- **B.** Teen alcohol consumption goes unchecked.
- **C.** Alcohol addiction: Signs, Complications & Recovery.

3. Teenagers in Greece familiarize themselves with alcohol consumption because
- **A.** there are no laws.
- **B.** it is socially acceptable.
- **C.** bars offer drinks of poor quality.

4. In the text, the underlined phrase **'prohibits the sale'** means
- **A.** forbids someone to sell.
- **B.** delays the sale.
- **C.** gives somebody permission to sell.

5. According to the text, Greek law does not allow a fifteen-year-old to
- **A.** get into clubs and bars.
- **B.** drink alcohol at home.
- **C.** buy soft drinks.

6. UMHRI's study found that most of the young participants had already
- **A.** sold alcoholic drinks.
- **B.** produced wine.
- **C.** drunk some kind of alcohol.

7. According to the clinical psychologist, drinking alcohol dramatically increases the
- **A.** risk of death.
- **B.** chances for a healthy life.
- **C.** danger of an economic crisis.

8. The problem of teen alcohol use
- **A.** needs no attention at all.
- **B.** needs a range of measures.
- **C.** can be easily solved.

9. The clinical psychologist suggests that on special occasions Greeks tend to
- **A.** consume only wine.
- **B.** prefer wine to beer.
- **C.** drink some kind of alcohol.

10. In the text, the underlined phrase **'harmful consequences'** means
- **A.** strong reasons.
- **B.** damaging effects.
- **C.** useful elements.

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ΘΕΜΑ 2ο. ΛΕΞΙΚΟΓΡΑΜΜΑΤΙΚΗ

Fill each gap in sentences 11-20 with the correct word from the box below (A-J). Use each word only once.

A.	consume	**B.**	forbids	**C.**	harmful	**D.**	ignore	**E.**	lead
F.	obeys	**G.**	legal	**H.**	entry	**I.**	forms	**J.**	mental

11.	The concept of democracy has resulted in different _____ of government which, despite their differences, share the same basic ideology of free expression and social fairness.
12.	It is well-known that the destruction of the ozone layer will have a very _____ effect on the environment.
13.	Better not to _____ the past but learn from it instead; after all, history has a way of repeating itself.
14.	People who work very hard are often tired, which could influence their relationship with others. It might _____ to unnecessary arguments and spoil the pleasant atmosphere among them for some time.
15.	The law _____ the sale of cigarettes to people under the age of 18.
16.	With this takeover, the company gains _____ into one of the most lucrative banking markets in the country.
17.	As he left court he said only that he would be seeking _____ advice on a compensation claim.
18.	After months of overworking, Briggs was suffering from both _____ and physical exhaustion.
19.	If everyone _____ the rules of the road, safety will be much improved.
20.	People who _____ large amounts of animal fats are more likely to get a heart disease.

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