

## PRACTICE TEST 9

**Read the following announcement and mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct option that best fits each numbered blank from 13 to 16.**

### GARDENING DAY PLAN

To make the most out of your gardening day, follow these steps:

- (13) ..... a list of plants you want to grow in your garden.
- Make sure you have all the tools you need (14) ..... starting.
- Water the plants (15) ..... in the morning or late afternoon to avoid evaporation.
- Remove (16) ..... weeds you see to help your plants grow better.

**Question 13.** A. Make

B. Forget

C. Hide

D. Lose

**Question 14.** A. after

B. before

C. during

D. under

**Question 15.** A. never

B. either

C. again

D. just

**Question 16.** A. any

B. most

C. few

D. every

**Mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct answer to each of the following questions from 17 to 18.**

**Question 17. Put the sentences (a-c) in the correct order, then fill in the blank to make a logical text.**

Learning a new language has been a rewarding experience for me. Here's what happened. ....

- Over time, my ability to communicate in French improved significantly.
- I enrolled in a French language class at a community centre.
- I took part in regular speaking sessions and got plenty of practice.

A. a - c - b

B. b - a - c

C. c - b - a

D. b - c - a

**Question 18. Choose the sentence that most appropriately ends the text (in Question 17).**

A. I felt very proud of my progress and planned to take more advanced classes.

B. I started reading French books and watching French movies.

C. I joined a French club to practise speaking with others.

D. I shared my experience with friends who were interested in learning French.

**Read the following announcement and mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct option that best fits each numbered blank from 19 to 24.**

Many visitors come to Tatterbridge to see the wonderful art galleries and museums, the beautiful buildings and the fantastic parks. Few people go outside the city, and so they miss out on (19) ..... the scenery and the fascinating history of this beautiful area. This brochure will tell you what you can see if you take a short bus ride out of the city. The beautiful village of Tatterbridge was (20) ..... to the children's writer Jane Potter, whose stories of Benjamin Bear are loved by adults and children around the world. Jane Potter's home is now

a museum and teashop, and is well (21) ..... a visit just for its wonderful gardens. It also has a gift shop (22) ..... you can buy souvenirs and books. Tatterbridge has a number of interesting shops including an excellent cake shop, and Wendy's Gift shop, where you can find lots of unusual gifts made (23) ..... hand by local artists. Lovers of Jane Potter's books should also walk to the Green Valley woods, which have not changed since Jane Potter (24) ..... her stories there one hundred years ago.

**Question 19.** A. questioning      B. welcoming      C. experiencing      D. understanding

**Question 20.** A. shop      B. school      C. home      D. cottage

**Question 21.** A. excited      B. known      C. value      D. worth

**Question 22.** A. what      B. who      C. where      D. when

**Question 23.** A. by      B. at      C. with      D. in

**Question 24.** A. weaved      B. designed      C. wrote      D. carved

*Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct answer to each of the following questions from 31 to 36.*

In the good old days of school, life was simpler and filled with happiness. Can you imagine a time without smartphones or computers? Instead, we spent our days outside, playing games like hopscotch and tag with our friends. Our school was a small building with chalkboards and colourful posters. Our teachers were kind and patient, guiding us through the wonders of education using books and paper.

During recess, we played fun games and the air was filled with laughter and joy. Our lunches were packed in lunch boxes with tasty sandwiches and fresh fruit. When the school bell rang, we eagerly ran outside to enjoy the fresh air. Homework was done with pencils and erasers, and we took our time to complete it. Our backpacks were filled with textbooks and notebooks, and we proudly carried them home every day. The best part of the week was receiving gold stars as a reward for good behaviour and hard work.

Thinking back on those school days always brings a smile to my face. **They** were special times of innocence and discovery, where the world seemed vast and our dreams had no limits.

**Question 31.** What does the author describe as a feature of the good old school days?

A. Large and modern school buildings.      B. Homework done with pens.

C. Outdoor activities and games.      D. Smartphones and computers.

**Question 32.** How were lunches packed during those school days?

A. In metal tins with a variety of foods.      B. In paper bags with snacks.

C. In plastic containers.      D. In lunch boxes with sandwiches and fresh fruit.

**Question 33.** What was the author's favourite part of the week during school?

A. Playing outdoor games.      B. Having lunchtime.

C. Completing homework.      D. Receiving gold stars.

**Question 34.** How does the author feel when thinking back on those school days?

A. Joyful.      B. Disappointed.      C. Indifferent.      D. Embarrassing

**Question 35.** How does the author describe the teachers?

A. strict and demanding      B. kind and patient      C. busy and distracted      D. unfriendly and harsh

**Question 36.** What does the word “**They**” in the last sentence refer to?

A. dreams      B. gold stars      C. students      D. old school days

*Four phrases/sentences have been removed from the text below. For each question, mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct option that fits each of the numbered blanks from 37 to 40 the most.*

A. offers a variety of programs for different audiences  
B. It allows users to find information quickly and communicate in real time  
C. Radio remains popular because it can be listened to anywhere  
D. These publications give detailed reports and cover a wide range of subjects

Media plays a crucial role in our daily lives by providing information and entertainment. Television, for example, (37) ..... People can watch news, movies, and educational programs from the comfort of their homes. Another important medium is radio. (38) ..... It is especially useful in cars and for those who enjoy listening to music and talk shows. Newspapers and magazines offer another form of communication. (39) ..... They provide in-depth articles and allow readers to learn about various topics. Lastly, the internet is the fastest-growing medium. (40) ..... It provides instant access to news, social networks, and a vast amount of information.

**Question 37.** .....      **Question 38.** .....      **Question 39.** .....      **Question 40.** .....