

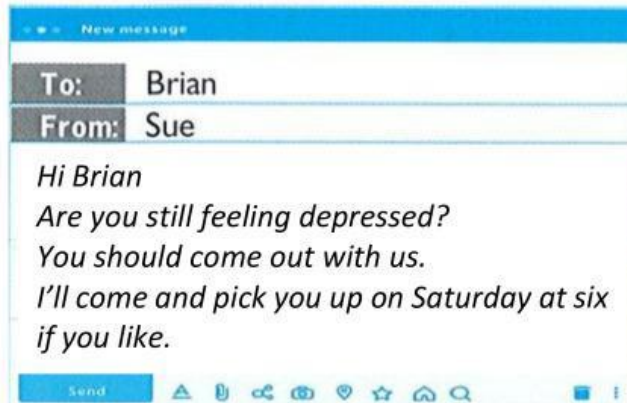
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READING

PART 1 Questions 1-5

For each question, choose the correct answer.

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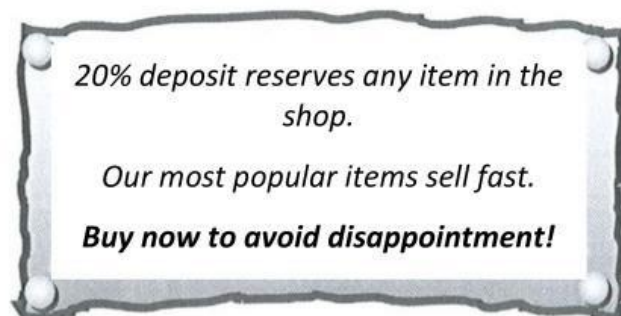
- A. see if Brian is feeling better after being sick for some time.
- B. invite Brian to hang out with her and her friends at the weekend.
- C. tell Brian she is feeling a bit depressed and may not go out after all.

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- A. The shop usually closes early once a week.
- B. They did not plan to close the shop early on Wednesday.
- C. The shop will be closed all afternoon on Wednesday.

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- A. Pay part of the price and we will keep any item for you.
- B. 20% reduction off any item in the shop if you pay now.
- C. No items can be bought without paying a deposit first.

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**FREE ADMISSION TO THE GALLERY
AFTER 6.30 pm**

For groups of students:

Reservation by phone only.

Reservation is free but required.

**No online reservations are
accepted.**

- A. Students can't enter the gallery for free.
- B. There is no entrance fee to the gallery after 6.30 pm.
- C. You are not allowed to enter the gallery unless you pay for a reservation.

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- A. Tina wants John to help with the cooking while they are away on holiday.
- B. Tina speaks German well, so she should not have any trouble communicating while in Berlin.
- C. Tina needs John's language skills to get around in a foreign country.

PART 2 Question 6-10

For each question, choose the correct answer.

The people below all want to borrow a book from the library. There are eight book reviews. Decide which book would be the most suitable for the people below.



6. Brian is twenty-two and has just graduated with a degree in history. He enjoys reading about real people who have done something unusual or exciting in their life.

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7. Marie is a primary school teacher. She enjoys reading books that transport her to another world, or to a completely different life from her own. She also likes romantic novels.

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8. Bob is a retired scientist. He enjoys doing quizzes and solving puzzles because he has a very analytical mind. He wouldn't be interested in reading an ordinary book.

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9. Angie doesn't have a lot of time to read so she enjoys books that she can read a little bit at a time. She particularly likes books about people and human relationships.

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10. John likes detective stories. He doesn't like anything that is too difficult because he doesn't want to have to concentrate too much while he is reading.

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BOOK REVIEWS

A. Journeys with my Family

This book of short stories isn't actually about travelling at all, even though the title may make you think so. It is a collection of studies of how people are with their families. Often funny and also often heartbreaking, these short stories show both the best and the worst of people.

B. The Enchanted April

An advertisement for a castle to rent on the Italian Riviera brings together four very different women. The beautiful environment helps them make discoveries about themselves, life and love. A novel that you won't want to put down once you start reading it.

C. Living with the Bushmen

This is the true story of Richard Berk's search for the African bushmen and their amazing acceptance of his presence in their timeless world. Berk managed, against all odds, to live with the bushmen for six months, learning their language and exploring their ancient culture. A great story about an impressive anthropologist.

E. The King of all Kings

This story of an imaginary Egyptian pharaoh has some interesting archaeological facts and some beautifully drawn maps and diagrams. But unless you have a passion for Ancient Egypt, it probably wouldn't be a gripping read.

F. The History of Advertising

A surprisingly interesting look at how the media has changed our lifestyles. This non-fiction book shows how advertising has developed over the years and how we now accept images that would have been criticised in the past.

G. The Connection

Not an easy-reading book. This novel takes the reader into a world of mystery and strange events that all have an effect on each other. There is, however, one common factor that links everything together. Can you work out what this is before everything is explained in the final chapter?

D. Trouble in the Suburbs

A light-hearted crime story about a private detective on his final case before retirement. However, the investigation takes an unexpected turn of events and the hero is put in some dangerous situations. A good read for those who don't want to be challenged too much.

H. The Lost Leopard

The story of a snow leopard, orphaned by hunters, which ran across miles of frozen land searching for a home. This book is sponsored by the Leopard Sanctuary and its message about the illegal fur trade is clear and powerful.

PART 3 Questions 11-15

For each question, choose the correct answer.

This is how it all started

by Joanna Summers

I guess you could say that acting is in my bloods as my mother and my father are both actors, my grandfather was a theatre musician and my grandmother was a singer and dancer. I suppose it seemed normal for me to perform for family and friends and I certainly wasn't shy while growing up. I actually used to enjoy the attention and I still have many enjoyable memories of the whole family singing and dancing together.



That's why it came as no surprise that I started going to Drama school from the young age of six. I attended classes there every Saturday for almost 10 years. We were taught how to sing and dance, as well as act, so I was quite good by my teens.

Once I'd left school, I went to drama school in London full-time to do a degree. I must say that at that time, and for a period of about six months, I needed a break. I had spent my whole childhood acting and it felt like I had missed out on so much.

So I started partying with friends, danced the nights away and slept late most mornings. It was only when my personal tutor told me that I was on my final warning that I realised it was time to stop. Partying was great but I was about to lose everything I had worked so hard for all these years.

After the shock of that realisation, I got my act together very quickly, went back to classes and workshops and soon after, I ended up graduating with a first. I had always been confident about my acting skills but it was then that I felt truly ready to get myself out there professionally. A few months later, The Royal Shakespeare Company gave me my first real role and I acted

alongside some great names in the world of the stage. Now, of course, I'm better known for my Hollywood roles and people will probably be amazed to hear that I started my acting career as a Shakespeare actor. But it's true; this is how it all started.

11. What does Joanna say about her childhood?

- A. Her parents made her become an actor.
- B. She grew up among entertainers.
- C. She did not want to perform for her family.
- D. She was too young to enjoy drama school.

12. When Joanna finished school,

- A. she had a break out about six months before going to drama school.
- B. she had to work full-time in order to pay for drama school.
- C. she realised she was under a lot of pressure and needed to relax.
- D. she had doubts as to whether she wanted to spend her adulthood acting.

13. What happened when Joanna was a full-time drama student?

- A. She was nearly told to leave the course.
- B. She had an argument with her personal tutor.
- C. She concentrated on developing as a serious dancer.
- D. She worked as a dancer in the evenings.

14. What does Joanna say about working as a Shakespearean actor?

- A. She found it boring after a while.
- B. It is what she is mostly known for.
- C. It was something she had to do to get into Hollywood.
- D. It gave her the chance to work with famous actors.

15. Which of the following is the best description of Joanna?

- A. The young actress who is developing a career.

- B. The actress who has followed in her parent's foot-step and went from Shakespeare to Hollywood.

- C. The actress who struggled through drama school and became a Hollywood director.

- D. The actress whose wild life is affecting her career but who is now trying to get serious.

PART 4 Questions 16-20

Five sentences have been removed from the text below. For each question, choose the correct answer.

There are three extra sentences which you do not need to use.

The future of Water

Even at a time when global warming and the effect it will have on our water supply is often in the news, those of us living in developed countries cannot imagine not having a shower whenever we want, or drinking water when we are thirsty. We are often told about the effects of climate change and future water shortages. **16** Of course not! It seems we haven't realised what is really going on around us or we choose not to.



The fact that the growing world population is going to make an even bigger demand on the planet's water is something most of us prefer not to think about. **17** In addition, as developing countries become richer, more people have the ability to spend money, so there is greater demand for water. More gardens need watering, more dishwashers and washing machines are in use and there are more cars to wash. Water is being wasted every day for some people's comfort.

However, for many people in less developed regions of the world, water is not a question of turning on a tap. For women, especially, it can mean a long walk to get water from a well or a river. This may be some kilometres away from their homes. **18** And girls also have to help their mothers, so education takes second place, or no place at all. And without education there cannot be positive change. **19**

So, next time you leave the tap running when brushing your teeth, think. **20** And ask yourself: 'How can I help to save water?' Start thinking before it's too late because the time will come when all of us will have to deal with the lack of water.

- A. And all this is because there is no running water nearby.
- B. It's not difficult to live without water.
- C. Think about all those who don't have a tap to turn on.
- D. And this refusal to drink is the problem.
- E. These women cannot have a job because they have no time.
- F. Scientists are not worried about the future.
- G. Feeding this number of people means more water for farming, for example.
- H. But do we really believe wars may be fought over water?

PART 5 Questions 21-26

For each question, choose the correct answer.

Look after your eyes

The eye is undoubtedly one of the greatest organs in our body. It is actually like a camera working 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. The eye takes pictures of the world around us and (21) these pictures to our brain. Then the brain works out what it is that our eyes see.



As this happens from the moment we open our eyes in the morning to when we close them at night, most of us take our vision for granted, giving little thought to the complex processes that (22) us to see, until one (23) we realise we may have an eye problem.

At middle age, several eye conditions are becoming more and more (24) and by the age of 50 most people have (25) that they cannot see as well as they once could. They may become near-sighted or far-sighted. People who are near-sighted can't see things far away while people who are far-sighted can't see things (26) up. Most of these problems can be corrected with glasses but some of them may need surgery.

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| 21. | A. removes | B. appears | C. transfers | D. draws |
| 22. | A. let | B. encourage | C. enable | D. provide |
| 23. | A. time | B. decade | C. minute | D. day |
| 24. | A. common | B. average | C. rare | D. popular |
| 25. | A. insisted | B. noticed | C. proved | D. received |
| 26. | A. next | B. near | C. nearby | D. close |

PART 6 Questions 27-32

For each question, write the correct answer. Write ONE word for each gap.

Hi Sam,

How are you? It's been some time since we last spoke. I have some exciting news to tell you.



Recently, I decided to return to the village in (27) I grew up, deep in the countryside in the South of England. As my home is now in Australia, this meant a long journey (28) plane across continents. I was exhausted when I arrived at the airport, but (29) having a long rest, I hired a car and set off.

My first shock came (30) I had to keep joining the busy motorways which now cross England in all directions. As I raced along with the rest of the traffic, I got the feeling that I was in for some more surprises.

I was right. When I finally arrived at the village, I stood in the village square. Everything was very different. There was (31) village shop; instead, I could see a large, bright supermarket. And the open fields I (32) to walk through to get to school, once filled with beautiful wild flowers, were now full of box-like modern houses.

So that's all for now. Let me know what you've been doing all this time.

Miss you,

Sheila