TEST 7

Example: 0 S U R P R I S I N G L Y

Hot-air balloons

Riding in a hot-air balloon is a **(0)** surprisingly calm and peaceful experience, quite **(25)** ..... any other form of flying. With no engines to provide power, a balloon depends **(26)** ..... on the winds around it to move in any direction. **(27)** ..... , the maximum speed is normally around 15 kilometres per hour.

SURPRISE
LIKE
ENTIRE
CONSEQUENCE

This kind of balloon is based on the simple **(28)** ..... principle that the **(29)** ..... of hot air is less than that of cold air. It is not, however, a large **(30)** ..... , as a cubic metre of hot air is only about 250 grams lighter than the same amount of cold air. This means it takes **(31)** ..... four cubic metres of hot air just to lift one kilo, which explains why balloons that carry people have to be so enormous.

SCIENCE
WEIGH
DIFFERENT

ROUGH

A gas burner is used to **(32)** ..... the air inside the balloon, causing it to rise. To go up more slowly, or to make a **(33)** ..... , hot air is released from the top of the balloon. The fact that the wind blows in different directions at different heights **(34)** ..... the pilot to steer the balloon left or right by moving it to higher or lower positions in the sky.

HOT
DESCEND

ABLE

LIVEWORKSHEETS

TEST 8

Example: 0 | H | I | S | T | O | R | I | A | N | S | | | | | | | | | |

A brief history of surfing

Most **(0)** historians agree that surfing began centuries ago in the Hawaii Islands in the Pacific Ocean, where the **(25)** ..... regarded it as an important part of their culture, not as a recreational **(26)** ..... It was not until the early 20th century that it achieved **(27)** ..... as a sport, and for many years it remained **(28)** ..... to see surfers anywhere other than in three main **(29)** ..... Hawaii, California and Australia.	**HISTORY** **INHABIT** **ACTIVE** **RECOGNISE** **USUAL** **LOCATE**
All that began to change in the 1960s, partly as a result of **(30)** ..... in the design of surfboards, but also because of the success of films and pop bands, **(31)** ..... The Beach Boys, that were associated with surfing culture. Since then there has been rapid **(32)** ..... in the popularity of surfing throughout the world, and for many surfers it has become a highly **(33)** ..... sport that requires skill and courage to deal with the **(34)** ..... conditions in some of the roughest seas on Earth.	**IMPROVE** **PARTICULAR** **GROW** **COMPETE** **CHALLENGE**

LIVEWORKSHEETS

TEST 9

Example: 0 A S S I S T A N C E

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112 pets

A woman living in the city centre has asked for **(0)** assistance to find a bigger house and garden – so that her 112 pets can live in less **(25)** ..... conditions. Jennifer Symons, 26, has always loved animals and now has a **(26)** ..... that includes twelve cats, seven dogs, four monkeys, two horses and a **(27)** ..... of smaller creatures, including hamsters, parrots and tropical fish.

ASSIST
CROWD
COLLECT
VARY

She also has a number of snakes, and although none of them, she says, is **(28)** ..... , some of her neighbours in Lower Market Street remain **(29)** ..... and are worried that they might escape. Generally, though, people seem to like Jennifer's pets and are always **(30)** ..... towards her.

POISON
CONVINCE
FRIEND

All these animals, however, have to be looked after, and Jennifer has to get up at 5.30 every morning to start **(31)** ..... some of them. Cleaning and other tasks take up so much time that taking care of them has now become almost her main **(32)** ..... , leaving her with only her **(33)** ..... from a part-time job at a local supermarket to maintain the 112 and herself. It is hardly **(34)** ..... , therefore, that she can't really afford to move into a bigger house.

FOOD
OCCUPY
EARN
SURPRISE

LIVEWORKSHEETS

TEST 11

Example: 0 | B | I | T | T | E | R | L | Y | | | | | | | | | | |

NEW WATERPROOF CLOTHING

There are few experiences as unpleasant as being **(0)** bitterly cold and dripping wet on board a boat. The **(25)** ..... that you may be several hours away from warm, dry clothing is enough to slow down even the **(26)** ..... sailor. — **BITTER**, **KNOW**, **TOUGH**

However, recent **(27)** ..... developments in the types of material used to make waterproof clothes have, hopefully, put an end to the **(28)** ..... of the sailor. New suits, trousers and jackets have been designed which allow people to stay warm and dry at sea and can be worn **(29)** ..... for days on end. — **SCIENCE**, **SUFFER**, **COMFORT**

The new clothing is by no means cheap, but that will not stop it from selling well, and not just in the sailing market. **(30)** ..... previous types of waterproof clothing, which tended to leave the wearer hot, sweaty and sticky even after a **(31)** ..... short burst of **(32)** ..... activity, these new clothes are manufactured with an **(33)** ..... inner layer. This is made of a special material which allows the clothes to 'breathe' – in other words, body heat can escape so that the body stays dry, but still maintains its **(34)** ..... in all weathers. — **LIKE**, **RELATIVE**, **ENERGY**, **ADDITION**, **WARM**

LIVEWORKSHEETS

TEST 10

Example: 0 | O | P | E | R | A | T | I | O | N |

Sudden storm

A massive clean-up **(0)** operation is now under way in the south-west of the country after a **(25)** ..... storm unexpectedly struck the region. Among the worst affected were **(26)** ..... areas, where many small boats were sunk or destroyed, though, **(27)** ..... , there are no reports of anyone missing or seriously injured.

OPERATE
POWER
COAST
FORTUNE

In many towns, however, there was **(28)** ..... damage to property, with trees and fences blown over. In one street, almost every house had its roof blown off, leaving many families **(29)** ..... until repairs can be carried out. The **(30)** ..... conditions also affected transport links leading to the closure of motorways and the **(31)** ..... of nearly all rail services.

EXTENT
HOME
WIND
CANCEL

Further inland, where the monthly average **(32)** ..... is about 80mm, over 100mm fell in just a few hours. This resulted in several rivers bursting their banks and flooding huge areas of **(33)** ..... land. Some villages were **(34)** ..... cut off by the rapidly rising water, although communications have now been restored in most places.

RAIN
AGRICULTURE
TEMPORARY

LIVEWORKSHEETS