READING

1 **You are going to read an article about a shopping centre called the Dubai Mall. Read the article quickly. What's special about the mall?**

The **BIGGEST** shopping centre in the world

Dubai is an amazing place to go shopping and if you love fashion, this is the place to come! My favourite place is the Dubai Mall. It's the largest shopping centre in the world by total area and there are about 1,200 shops. There are different 'districts' in the mall. For example, there's one whole section which sells shoes, and another which sells jewellery. I often spend time walking up and down Fashion Avenue with my friends – that's where the designer shops are, like Dolce & Gabbana and Dior. [1] _____ It's great to look in the windows at the luxury items, though.

Some people think shopping malls are boring, but the Dubai Mall isn't! Of course, there are a lot of shops, but there are plenty of other things to see and do there. There's an aquarium and underwater zoo, and we go to the cinema or ice-skating there, as well. [2] _____ You need them because it's pretty easy to get lost!

There are a lot of places to eat in the mall. [3] _____ There's fast food, many different kinds of international food, and healthy stuff, too. I love going to the Rainforest Café. We usually get fruit smoothies and burgers. There's one called the 'Jungle Chicken Burger', which is delicious. The desserts are great. I love seeing little kids' faces when the 'Sparkling Volcano' dessert arrives at their table. It's a huge chocolate thing! [4] _____

Next to the mall is the Burj Khalifa – the tallest building in the world. You can travel up to the observation deck at the top of the building from the mall. From there you can look down on Dubai. I don't go up there very often because everything looks so small from above that you can't see it very well. I go to the Dubai Fountain several times a year, though. [5] _____ It's the world's largest musical fountain and it's free to watch. It's fun!



PREPARE FOR THE EXAM

Reading Part 4

2 **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.**

A You can get anything you like.
B They charge a lot of money to do this.
C We can't afford to buy much there, even when there are discounts or promotions.
D That's just outside the mall, too.
E Sometimes my friends and I share one.
F My favourite one is a new skirt I bought.
G I don't but my friends sometimes do.
H There are customer service desks, too, where you can ask for directions.

EXAM TIPS

- Read the text quickly to get a general idea of what it is about. Ignore the gaps for now.
- Choose the best sentence (A–H) for each gap, and when you have chosen all the answers, read through the whole text again to check it makes sense.

3 **Match the highlighted words and phrases in the article to the meanings.**

1 expensive, comfortable or beautiful
2 one of the parts that something is divided into
3 an area that has a special character which makes it different from others
4 another word for a shopping centre
5 how big something is

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