

Repetytorium Pearson PP

Reading (Units 1-2)

1. Przeczytaj tekst, z którego usunięto pięć zdań. Uzupełnij luki 1-5 zdaniami wybranymi spośród A-F tak, aby powstał spójny i logiczny tekst. Jedno zdanie zostało podane dodatkowo i nie pasuje do żadnej luki.

Families together and apart

In almost every society on Earth, people have lived together in family groups. Traditionally, families consisted of grandparents, parents and children. ¹ ____ It was rare for people to leave their hometown and family ties were very strong.

Families provided support for each other and living together helped to build many positive qualities. Younger generations learned from their grandparents and so respected their skills, knowledge and experiences. ² ____ They taught them their moral standards and set a good example of how to behave. In addition, in times of need, people always knew that they had someone they could turn to for help because of the loyalty everyone had towards their family.

The traditional way of living helped everyone. When children were born, grandparents took on the role of babysitter. ³ ____ As the years passed and the grandparents became older and weaker, their children and adolescent grandchildren were there to look after them.

In recent years, though, this way of life has changed in many societies and often, once adult, children leave their family home. There are many reasons for this. ⁴ ____ In these large urban areas, smaller housing units make it impossible for multiple generations to live together. ⁵ ____ At the same time, older generations can look forward to a more active retirement, for example explore the world, rather than look after their grandchildren.

Despite these changes, the family ties that connect us remain one of the core values of society.

- A Firstly, the growth of major cities has forced young people to move to look for work.
- B As a result, the bonds between parents and children became stronger.
- C Grandparents and parents were often role models for the young.
- D This allowed the new parents to go out to work without worrying about the problem of childcare.
- E As they live apart, neither has a chance to get to know or understand the other very well.
- F Other members of the same family generally lived nearby if not under the same roof.

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2. Przeczytaj tekst, który został podzielony na cztery części, oraz pytania go dotyczące. Do każdego pytania 1-5 dopasuj właściwą część tekstu A-D. W jednej części tekstu znajdują się odpowiedzi na dwa pytania.

In which paragraph does the author ...

- 1 give an example of Rod's sense of humour? ____
- 2 refer to a mistaken comment? ____
- 3 compare a task with similar challenges faced by other people? ____
- 4 mention a request and the reason for it? ____
- 5 explain why a purchase was made? ____

A LIFELONG OBSESSION

A

When someone moves home from one country to another, packing and shipping can be a major headache. However, rock star Rod Stewart's move from Los Angeles to Essex involved something much more difficult than even the largest item of furniture. For over a quarter of a century, Rod has been building himself a huge model railway. In fact, one of the reasons why he chose his LA home was because

he realised that its enormous attic space would be an ideal place to make his dream come true. And he certainly made the most of the space as his layout measures almost 40 metres in length by 7 metres in width.

B

Rod's love of model railways goes back a lot further than the twenty-five years he has spent building his model. He has been mad about trains since childhood but the reason why is unclear. He grew up next to a real train line in north London and it has been said that, while on holiday, he spotted a model train set in a shop and fell in love with it. He has even jokingly complained about the time when he received a guitar as a Christmas present rather than the hoped for train set. Of course, he knows as well as anyone that the guitar he received played a major part in him being able to afford to take his hobby to such extremes, so we shouldn't take his comment too seriously.

C

Rod takes great pride in the work he has put into his model railway and he has created a whole model city to go with it. In fact, he has stated that he got more pleasure out of building the skyscrapers, docks and pavements than the actual railway and he has done his best to make it as authentic as possible. His feelings are so strong, that when a radio DJ suggested that Rod must have had help in building such a huge model, he rang up the radio station personally to put them right and explain that, apart from some of the electrical work, everything was his work.

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In other interviews, Rod has shared more details of the lengthy process of creating the model railway. Even when on tour he made sure that his record company provided him with accommodation big enough to allow him to construct bits of scenery in his free time between concerts and rehearsals. In 2019, he finally completed his vision but his work hasn't finished. To get it back to the UK, he has had to pack it into seven huge shipping containers and, once it has arrived, he'll have to reassemble it. I just hope his new attic is capable of holding it all.

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3. Przeczytaj teksty A-D. Następnie wykonaj zadania 1-5.

A



Holiday home

In a quiet area on the edge of a popular tourist resort but with easy access to the town centre. Three bedrooms, two with double beds, one for four people with two bunk beds, two bathrooms, fully equipped kitchen. Cosy living room with sea view. £800 per week, pay half in advance and half in cash on arrival.
Call us on 0788 799711

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From: Melanie
To: Steve
Hi Steve, Thanks for sending the link to the holiday home. I have one or two questions. How are we going to decide who has to share a room? Also, it might be better to be nearer to the town. I know it says easy access but we won't have a car. I'll check out some more offers and let you know what I find. Melanie

C



Holiday rentals in the West of England are becoming more and more popular. The best offers are often booked by people a year in advance and about 80% of all houses are often booked up by the end of April. As a result, prices have increased dramatically with some homes three times more expensive than last year. Another worrying trend is home owners who cancel reservations so that they can rent the properties to someone else at a higher price.

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- Jack:** Hi all. Anyone found anything better than Steve's idea?
- Melanie:** I've been looking and there's nothing in the town centre for under £1,000. It's better to rent the house that Steve suggests and take taxis every day.
- Chris:** How about a houseboat? There's an area with some of these within walking distance of the beach. They're very basic but cosy and comfortable. We can get one for six people for only £520 and they have a shower, small kitchen and a TV so they aren't so bad!
- Danielle:** That sounds really cool. There might not be much room but, hopefully, we'll be out on the beach every day. Let's book it.

Przeczytaj zdania 1–2. Do każdego z nich dopasuj właściwy tekst A–D. Dwa teksty nie pasują do żadnego zdania.

- 1 This text contains an offer to do something.
2 This text explains when a rental charge must be paid.

1___ 2___

Przeczytaj wiadomość Ani do Adama. Uzupełnij luki

3–5 zgodnie z treścią tekstów A–D tak, aby jak najbardziej precyzyjnie oddać ich sens. Luki należy uzupełnić w języku polskim. W każdą lukę można wpisać maksymalnie trzy wyrazy.

Cześć Adam,

Ciągle zastanawiamy się nad naszym wyjazdem do Kornwalii w te wakacje. Trochę się martwię, ponieważ przeczytałam, że do końca kwietnia jedynie 3_____ domków będzie dostępnych. Steve znalazł domek blisko tego kurortu, który nas interesuje, ale poza centrum miasta. Bez samochodu nie będzie to zbyt wygodne. Musielibyśmy również zdecydować kto 4_____, ponieważ tylko dwie osoby z nas będą miały ten luksus! Ostatnio pojawił się pomysł, żeby wynająć łódź mieszkalną, ponieważ te są tańsze niż domki letniskowe, i moglibyśmy 5_____. Danielle i Chris są za, i mimo że nie będzie tak przestronnie i wygodnie jak w domku letniskowym, sądzę, że to może być najlepszy pomysł.

A co Ty o tym sądzisz? Daj mi znać.

Pozdrawiam,

Ania

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