

Rim Whale Festival. The whales travel close to the shore as they swim north. This allows people to gather together to watch the whales from land and from boats.

Nanaimo Bathtub Race

On the east coast of Vancouver Island, you can see people moving through the water in a strange type of boat. In the Nanaimo Bathtub Race, all the boats are made from bathtubs. The city of Nanaimo is home to the oldest and most famous bathtub boat race in the world. Today, Nanaimo World Championship Bathtub Race is a serious sport that attracts many racers and visitors from around the world.

Question 1. What is the main idea of the text?

- A. Vancouver Island has many interesting tourist attractions.
- B. The Pacific Rim Whale Festival celebrates the grey whales' journey.
- C. Nanaimo is famous for its bathtub factories.
- D. People in Vancouver enjoy festivals throughout the year.

Question 2. Which word is CLOSEST in meaning to “journey” in the text?

- A. Adventure
- B. Voyage
- C. Game
- D. Goal

3. Which word is OPPOSITE in meaning to “oldest” in the text?

- A. Youngest
- B. Biggest
- C. Latest
- D. Shortest

4. Which of the following is NOT true according to the text?

- A. Grey whales swim about 16,000 kilometers every year.
- B. The Nanaimo Bathtub Race involves boats made from bathtubs.
- C. The Pacific Rim Whale Festival takes place in April.
- D. The Nanaimo Bathtub Race attracts participants from around the world.

5. According to the reading, why is it easy for people to see the whales?

- A. The people use binoculars.
- B. The whales swim close to land.
- C. The people are also swimming in the water
- D. They fly over the whales in helicopters.

Question 6. What is special about every boat in the race?

- A. Each boat can carry three people
- B. Every boat is made from a bathtub.
- C. Every boat gets a safety inspection
- D. All the boats have sails.

Task 14: 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 best fits each of the numbered blanks from 37 to 40.

Christmas – A Special Holiday

Christmas is celebrated (1) _____. It is one of the most important holidays in many countries. People celebrate Christmas to remember the birth of Jesus Christ.

Before Christmas, people decorate their homes with Christmas trees, lights, and colorful ornaments. (2) _____. In many places, children believe that Santa Claus comes at night and brings presents if they have been good.

On Christmas Eve, families usually (3) _____ like roast turkey, mashed potatoes, and Christmas pudding. People also sing Christmas carols and spend time together.

Christmas is a time for love, joy, and kindness. (4) _____.

- A. They also exchange gifts with family and friends
- B. It is a holiday that brings families and friends closer
- C. have a big dinner with delicious food
- D. on December 25th every year

Question 1. _____ **Question 2.** _____ **Question 3.** _____ **Question 4.** _____

Task 15: 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 best fits each of the numbered blanks from 1 to 4.

(1) _____. We call them non-renewable energy sources because fossil fuels take millions of years to form and they are running out. What will happen when there is no coal, oil and natural gas on earth? Scientists are trying to find and use other alternative sources of energy. (2) _____. We can also save fossil fuels by conserving energy. One simple way to do this is to (3) _____. We can also turn off lights when no one is in the room. Another way is to travel by bike or walk instead of (4) _____.

- A. We can use energy from the sun, wind and water
- B. There are three major forms of fossil fuels: coal, oil and natural gas
- C. driving cars or motorbikes
- D. turn off electrical appliances that we are not using

Question 1. ____ **Question 2.** ____ **Question 3.** ____ **Question 4.** ____

Task 16: Rewrite the following sentences, using the given words.

1. The acting is excellent, but not many people like the film. (Although)

→ _____

2. Although the story is silly, I still enjoyed it. (However)

→ _____

3. The distance between my house and the nearest bookstore is about 2 kilometres. (It)

→ _____

4. What is the distance between Hanoi and Hai Phong? (How far)

→ _____

Task 17: Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the sentence that is made from the given cues in each of the following questions.

1. People / go / church / and / have / special / family meal.

- A. People go to church and have an special family meal.
- B. People go to church and have a special family meal.
- C. People goes to church and have a special family meal.
- D. People go church and have a special family meal.

2. They should / reduce the use / fossil fuels / coal, natural gas and oil.

- A. They should reduce the use of fossil fuels, such as coal, natural gas and oil.
- B. They should reduces the use of fossil fuels, such as coal, natural gas and oil.
- C. They shouldn't reduce the use of fossil fuels, such as coal, natural gas and oil.
- D. They should reduce the use in fossil fuels, such as coal, natural gas and oil.

3. Easter / important / Christian / festival / and / holiday.

- A. Easter is a important Christian festival and holiday.
- B. Easter is an important Christian festival and holiday.
- C. Easter is important Christian festival and holiday.
- D. Easter are an important Christian festival and holiday.

4. Traffic jams / a problem / big cities / Viet Nam /.

- A. Traffic jams is a problem in big cities in Viet Nam.
- B. Traffic jams are a problem at big cities in Viet Nam.
- C. Traffic jams are a problem to big cities in Viet Nam.
- D. Traffic jams are a problem in big cities in Viet Nam.

5. Although/ that book / expensive / students / buy/ it.

- A. Although that book was expensive, but many students bought it.
- B. Although that book was expensive, however many students bought it.
- C. Although that book expensive, many students bought it.
- D. Although that book was expensive, many students bought it.

6. Renewable/ sources / safe / abundant / non-renewable sources.

- A. Renewable sources are safe and more abundant than non-renewable sources.
- B. Renewable sources are safer and abundant than non-renewable sources.
- C. Renewable sources are safer and more abundant than non-renewable sources.
- D. Renewable sources are more safer and more abundant than non-renewable sources.

Task 18. Mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the sentence that is closest in meaning to each of the following questions.

1. *What is the distance between Ho Chi Minh city to Hue?*

- A. How far is it from Ho Chi Minh city to Hue? B. How long it is from Ho Chi Minh city to Hue?
C. How far is it Ho Chi Minh city to Hue? D. How long is it from Ho Chi Minh city to Hue?

2 *I find watching Mr. Bean very interesting.*

- A. I am interested in watch *Mr. Bean*. B. I am interested with watching *Mr. Bean*.
C. I am interested in watching *Mr. Bean*. D. I am interesting in watching *Mr. Bean*.

3. *Although the story is silly, many people enjoy the film.*

- A. The story is silly, so many people enjoy the film.
B. The story is silly, or many people enjoy the film.
C. The story is silly. However, many people enjoy the film.
D. The story is silly because many people enjoy the film.

4. *It's good for children to wear helmet to protect their head.*

- A. Children should wear helmet to protect their head. B. Children should wearing helmet to protect their head.
C. Children should to wear helmet to protect their head. D. Children shouldn't wear helmet to protect their head.

5. *There are many places worth seeing in London.*

- A. There are many places of interest in London. B. There are not many places of interest in London.
C. There are no places of interest in London. D. There are many places which interesting in London.

6. *John didn't like the film. He watched it from the beginning to the end.*

- A. John didn't like the film, so he watched it from the beginning to the end.
B. John didn't like the film. However, he watched it from the beginning to the end.
C. John didn't like the film. Although, he watched it from the beginning to the end.
D. However, John didn't like the film but he watched it from the beginning to the end.

7. *It took us three months to prepare for this festival.*

- A. We spent three months preparing for this festival.
B. We spent three months to prepare for this festival
C. We spent three months in preparing for this festival
D. The festival lasted three months.