PART 1 READING AND ENGLISH IN USE

SECTION 1

Read the texts 1 - 6. What does each text say?
Choose the correct letter A, B or C.
Mark your answers on your answer sheet.

1.

Bella's Launderette
1. Load machine (6 kg maximum).
2. Add Bella's washing tablets* or other washing liquid.
3. Insert coins in slot.
4. Select programme & press START.

* Every Wednesday: buy one, get one free!

A. The service is offered for free on Wednesdays.
B. You can only wash 6 kg a day.
C. You can bring your own washing product.

2.

Louisa Kent & Gary Gill
request the pleasure of your company at their wedding
on Saturday, 25 June 2016 at 18.00 at the Golden Hall, Belleview.
The ceremony will be followed by a reception at the Palace Hotel.
Please reply by 25/04/2016 at the latest at
garylouisawedding@dayrep.com.

The guests …..
A. will attend the wedding reception at 18.00.
B. will go to two locations for the wedding.
C. should call the couple to inform them whether they are going.

3.

If you have to make a journey when snow is forecast, make sure:
- you are properly equipped
- you are accompanied by someone, regardless of your skill level
- you notify someone of your destination.

Travellers are advised to ….. A. let someone know where they are going.
B. travel independently.
C. put off their journey if it snows.

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4.

In this week's FENG SHUl session
we discuss good feng shut at home:
- let energy flow freely
- let go of things you do not love
- air and light your house correctly
- choose the right furniture
- arrange furniture so it faces the right directions

A. You should never throw things away.
B. It is important to place furniture suitably.
C. You should not let the energy out of your house.

5.

Bring Spring Environmental Group
We need your help to create Riverside's first environmentally friendly house, made with plastic bottles filled with sand.
The house will have a comfortable temperature of 17°C all year round and will feature solar panels on the roof to cover all its electricity needs. Everyone is welcome and no experience is needed!

The house …..
A. will get a lot of light because it will be made of bottles.
B. will not have electricity.
C. will have the same temperature during all seasons.

6.

Dear Mum and Dad,
Uncle Tom is at work most of the time and I spend a big part of the day exploring. Who knew I'd take up fishing in Cornwall? Not to mention the exercise. I'm fitter now than I ever was. The photo on the postcard is where I go hiking every day.
Anyway, see you soon!
Nick

A. Nick would rather be with his parents.
B. Nick started a new hobby in Cornwall.
C. Nick and Uncle Tom visit a particular place daily.

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SECTION 2 Read the text below about advancements in surgery, and decide if the statements 7 - 12 are TRUE or FALSE according to the text. On your answer sheet, mark: A if it is TRUE B if it is FALSE.

CUTTING-EDGE TECH

Computers are becoming more and more powerful, while at the same time getting smaller and smaller. So small, in fact, that people can now wear them on their head. Google Glass is a computer fixed to a pair of glasses. It communicates with the Internet and displays images on the wearer's glasses, while allowing them to see through the images at the same time. The lens of the glasses has a display like a smartphone and responds to voice commands, which basically means that the wearer can ask their glasses for information. Pretty impressive! But, far from being just another trendy gadget, this technology has now entered the field of healthcare. In 2012, Google Glass and VIPAAR (Virtual Interactive Presence in Augmented Reality) were used by a team at the University of Alabama in Birmingham, USA, to perform one of the first virtual reality operations in the world. Thanks to this invention, this particular operation involved the participation of a doctor who was actually not present. Here's how it worked: during the operation, the camera in Google Glass was constantly sending images to another doctor in Atlanta. The remote expert could then advise on the process, for example, by putting his hand over a special mat in his office to point to something, which could be seen by the operating surgeon. The effects of this technology on surgery are remarkable. A remote expert is now able to guide a less experienced doctor, or help an experienced colleague in a complicated operation. As more specialised doctors will be involved in the decision-making process, this may mean many lives could be saved. The technology also enables doctors to see medical information on their glasses, such as a patient's X-rays, a warning that a patient is allergic to an antibiotic, or live information, such as a patient's blood pressure. It can also be used to broadcast an operation live, using remote video support, which allows doctors and medical students to watch top surgeons at work and learn new techniques. The great thing is that it all happens instantly, unlike with Skype or video communication, in which doctors exchange information, but not in an interactive way.

Though it is still early days, the combination of Google Glass and VIPAAR is a significant advancement for the future of medicine and will soon be widely used. It will not only provide doctors with assistance, skills and education, but it will also reduce the possibility of human error.

7. There is a smartphone attached to Google Glass. A. True B. False

8.Google Glass can react to human speech. A. True B. False

9. Inexperienced doctors cannot take part in operations using Google Glass and VIPAAR. A. True B. False

10. Google Glass provides doctors with important medical details about a patient. A. True B. False

11. Google Glass is used with Skype. A. True B. False

12. The technology described in the text is already being used in many hospitals around the world. A. True B. False

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SECTION 3

Read the text below about a type of alternative housing and choose the correct letter A, B or C for each space 13 - 20. Mark your answers on your answer sheet.

Think outside the box

What can you do with a large empty box? Well, if it's a shipping container, then you can I put in (13) ……. furniture and windows and live in it. Shipping containers make modern, environmentally friendly and inexpensive houses, and empty ones, some (14) ……. very good condition, can be found at ports all around the world. In some places, they are a form of cheap housing (15) ……. young people and the homeless. Some very beautiful and unusual homes (16) ……. from containers, and there is even the option of (17) ……. several together to make a very large and comfortable flat or house. In warm countries, many make use of the sun for heating and also have patios, where people can sit outside and enjoy the sun. Some people (18) ……. houses like these because of their adaptability and not just because they are environmentally friendly and (19) ……. . One thing is for sure, there are plenty of empty containers around and it's (20) ……. what you can do with them.

13. A. some	B. many	C. a few
14. A. in	B. at	C. on
15. A. by	B. for	C. towards
16. A. make	B. made	C. are made
17. A. dividing	B. joining	C. sharing
18. A. choose	B. decide	C. wish
19. A. expensive	B. average	C. low-cost
20. A. impossible	B. amazing	C. unusual

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