

The 8-th form
PROGRESS CHECK 3

USE OF ENGLISH (GRAMMAR/VOCABULARY)

A1. Find the unnecessary word.

- 1) conclusion 2) shopping 3) encyclopedia 4) thriller 5) handbook 6) title 7) headline 8) description
- 1) essay 2) article 3) review 4) quiz 5) script 6) fate 7) guidebook 8) channel
- 1) producer 2) reporter 3) talk show host 4) thriller 5) journalist 6) writer 7) photographer 8) poet

A2. Choose the appropriate verb.

I think that she will not _____ to pass her exam.

I can _____ that you are wrong.

Can you _____ the tickets for the concert for the next Friday?

- 1) prove 2) quit 3) manage 4) book

A3. Mark the word that means job.

- 1) scandal 2) soap 3) documentary 4) producer.

Mark the word that means the result of someone's work.

- 1) producer 2) reporter 3) poem 4) journalist

Mark the word that means a TV programme.

- 1) adventure story 2) fairy tale 3) quiz 4) encyclopedia

A4. Choose the right variant of the sentence in reported speech.

1) He says, "You are right."

a) he says that I am right

b) he says which I right

c) he says I was right

d) he said I are right

2) He asked her, "Do you speak English?"

a) he asked her if she have spoke English

b) he asked her if she speaks English

c) he asked her if she had spoke English

d) he asked her if she spoke English

3) "Don't talk with me," she said to me.

a) she told me not to talk with her

b) she told me to not talk with her

c) she told me not to talk with me

d) she told me do not to talk with her

A5. Put in *that*, *which* or *who*.

1) The book _____ we are speaking about was written by Stephen King.

2) He sent me an answer _____ was very short.

3) The place _____ we are speaking about is very famous.

4) The play was written by Bernard Shaw _____ was a famous playwright.

A6. Make the sentence using the following words.

on/days/CDs/you/read/these/can/books _____

French/was/Voltaire/a/philosopher/famous _____

READING

"Television, computers, books"

- A. As far as books and computers are concerned, I can say in my firm confidence that computers will never replace books. First because they fulfill different functions. It's true that both books and computers contain information. But one computer is worth the whole library. So perhaps, computers will replace reference books because it's quicker and easier to find the necessary information in the computer than in reference books.
- B. But I'm sure computers can't be compared to fiction. Historical novels, adventure books, detective stories, science fiction, romance, poems, recommended by teachers create a special atmosphere. They take us into the imaginary world of high human emotions, exciting relations.
- C. A computer can help you in reading these books without turning the pages but working on the computer demands certain effort. You are to sit straight, not to stoop; you keep your finger on the keyboard. Besides computers have a harmful impact on the eyesight. In my opinion, it's impossible to read "War and Peace" on the screen. We'll lack something important: the invisible contact with the writer who speaks with us from the past centuries.
- D. As to TV, its role is expressed in the proverb, "It's better to see than to hear". Paraphrasing it we can say it's good to see after you have read. Screen versions of literary masterpieces add much to our understanding the author and arouse unforgettable emotions. But books are the greatest wonders in the world, which brings us knowledge and bring us up. Through centuries and distances we can keep in touch with the greatest minds in the universe.

Choose the right answer.

1. The author doesn't believe that books will be ever replaced by computers.
a) True b) False c) Not Stated
2. Computers are easier to find necessary information.
a) True b) False c) Not Stated
3. Reading on a computer is comfortable and healthy.
a) True b) False c) Not Stated
4. Many children prefer reading on the computers.
a) True b) False c) Not Stated
5. It is good to see before reading.
a) True b) False c) Not Stated

Match the headlines 1-5 with the parts of the text A-D. One headline is unnecessary.

1. Disadvantages of computer reading
2. First read, then watch
3. Source of information
4. Magic world of books
5. My favourite book