

Part 2

For questions 9–16, read the text below and think of the word which best fits each gap. Use only **one** word in each gap. There is an example at the beginning (0).

Write your answers **IN CAPITAL LETTERS** on the separate answer sheet.

Example: 0 T H E

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Ice car racing

From January to March (0) temperature in the US state of Minnesota often drops to -40°C. That's when, in (9) to show off their driving skills, some people go to the area's frozen lakes that double up as racetracks. The cars used are standard family-type cars fitted with special tyres, designed (10) ensure they don't skid on the slippery ice.

The races are organised once the ice layer (11) reached a thickness of 46 cm. A maximum of ten cars take (12) in each race. With multiple cars racing around the track at speeds of 160 kmph, you might expect collisions to (13) a regular occurrence. In fact, that is not the case. (14) there have been minor accidents, the main hazard is flying snow dust rather than other cars.

Minnesota is not the (15) state to host such events. The sport is also popular in New York and Alaska, as (16) as in the Canadian provinces and parts of Europe.

Part 3

For questions 17–24, read the text below. Use the word given in capitals at the end of some of the lines to form a word that fits in the gap in the same line. There is an example at the beginning (0).

Write your answers **IN CAPITAL LETTERS** on the separate answer sheet.

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Wild camping

I really enjoy camping with my dad, so I was very
(0) when he suggested going wild camping – that's
camping in the middle of nowhere rather than at a campsite. This
is not ideal for (17) campers, who might lack the
necessary (18) skills. And you can't just camp
anywhere – it may be necessary to ask for (19) But
my dad and I have been on many camping trips, and love the feeling
of (20) it gives us. We were just being a bit more
(21) this time.

EXCITE

EXPERIENCE

SURVIVE

PERMIT

INDEPENDENT

ADVENTURE

One downside on a trip like this can be the unpredictable British weather, but we'd taken that into (22) and had plenty of warm clothes. Food's important too, of course. (23) , Dad and I aren't good cooks and I didn't really enjoy our meals.

CONSIDER

FORTUNATE

However, nothing else I've done has given me the same sense of freedom as wild camping. Without a doubt it was the most (24) trip I've ever been on.

MEMORY