PET READING -Part 5

- How many gaps do you have to fill in?
- How many words do you choose from for each gap?

VOCABULARY: COLLOCATIONS

👁 *B1 Preliminary* candidates often make mistakes with verb/noun collocations.

1 Some words commonly go together. Match each word or phrase in the box with the verb *do, make, have* or *take*.

a bus	notes	a shower	an exam
a good time	a job	lunch at school	school
my homework	a mistake	an exercise	a break
a noise	a good time	a phone call	friends
a mess	sport	an idea	some shopping fun an English course a party a photo

2 Find and correct the mistakes in these sentences. Use verbs from Exercise 1.

1 I can't go out because I haven't made my homework yet.

2 We passed a really good time during our holidays.

3 My friend Marta is making a party on Saturday evening.

4 I'm feeling tired, so I'm going to do a short break.

5 I'm sure you'll soon know new friends when you change school.

6 The primary school kids were doing a lot of noise.

7 I want to learn Chinese, so I'm giving lessons every week.

8 Try not to do any mistakes in this exercise!

FOCUS: USING COLLOCATIONS AS CLUES

3 Quickly read the text in Exercise 4 below, without looking at options A, B, C and D or filling in any gaps. What kind of text is it and what is it about?

4 Choose the best word, A, B, C or D, for each gap. Underline any words before or after the gap that often go with one of those options.

Last March my friends and I (1) .... some free time, so we decided to go abroad. We (2) .... a week in the wonderful city of Barcelona, seeing the sights, eating wonderful meals and (3) .... some great shopping! While we were there, we (4) .... the underground train and then a cable car right to the top of Montjuic Hill, where we (5) .... the most amazing views across the city.

1	A	did	B	had	C	made	D	went
2	A	passed	B	took	C	paid	D	spent
3	A	making	B	buying	C	doing	D	having
4	A	took	B	arrived	C	brought	D	travelled
5	A	saw	B	caught	C	got	D	gave

Your turn!

For each question, choose the correct answer.

Sheep can recognise faces!

Many people think sheep aren't very intelligent creatures. But in fact, (21) .... to new research, they may be cleverer than we think. For example, sheep can actually be trained to recognise human faces from photographs!

Recognising faces is an important human social (22) .... However, it seems that sheep are also social animals that can recognise other sheep as well as (23) .... humans. In experiments, researchers trained eight sheep to recognise the faces of celebrities from photographs. Training involved getting the sheep to (24) .... decisions about the photos they saw. At one end of a room, they would see two different photographs, and would receive a (25) .... of food for approaching the photograph of the celebrity; if they approached the wrong photograph, they got nothing. Over time, they learned to (26) .... getting food with the celebrity's photograph. And after training, the sheep correctly chose the celebrity's face eight times out of ten!

21	A regarding	B following	C resulting	D according
22	A skill	B talent	C knowledge	D method
23	A ordinary	B usual	C familiar	D frequent
24	A set	B make	C have	D do
25	A reward	B benefit	C tip	D goal
26	A attach	B join	C add	D connect