Part 4

Questions 27-32

You are going to read an article about benefits of reading. Six sentences have been removed from the article. Choose from the sentences A – H the one which fits each gap (27 – 32). There are two extra sentences which you do not need to use.

Write your answers in the space given.

Benefits that You Can Gain from Reading

What is the first thing that comes to your mind when someone asks you about the Your time? Computer games? Cycling? Shopping? (27)_____ If you have not done so, you might be missing out on the many benefits that you can gain from reading.

Reading can increase your knowledge because everything you read fills your mind with new bits of information. The more knowledge you have the better equipped you are to tackle any challenges you face. (28)_____

(29)_____ As a result, you will improve your conversation and writing skills. Your new-found knowledge and vocabulary will help you grow in your thinking and have more interesting conversations. This also goes hand-in-hand when you want to produce a piece of written work can influence your writing style and choice of words.

Besides, reading strengthens your analytical thinking skills and stimulates your imagination and curiosity. You will be able to put these skills to work by taking notes and sorting out all the details provided in your reading material. (30)_____ At the same time, it stimulates your mind by keeping it active.

Reading also enhances your focus and concentration. (31)_____ It also helps you to sharpen your memory as you need to remember an assortment of characters, their backgrounds, history as well as various sub-plots that weave their way through every story.

Finally, reading provides free entertainment and thus reduces stress. There are all kinds of reading genres to choose from to suit your taste such as poetry, fashion, biographies, romance etc. engaging yourself in a well-written novel can occupy your time

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and help drain away tension. (32)_____ Self-help books can also help to encourage or give readers new insights to face their problems. It is also possible that reading can bring you a sense of peace and tranquillity.

In conclusion, reading has many benefits. Therefore you should start reading for pleasure.

A It also takes your troubles and worries away as it distracts you from thinking about them.

B You never know when it might come in handy.

C It will help you solve all your problems without help from others.

D You can then draw conclusions or even give opinions on what you have read.

E As you read, you will also expand your vocabulary as you will be exposed to new words and phrases.

F You will be able to analyse and identify the characteristics of people around you.

G Your attention is all focused on the story or article when you read.

H Well, when was the last time you read a book or a magazine?

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Part 5

Read the movie synopses below and answer the questions that follow.

Latest Blockbuster Movies

A – The Dead Will follow Synopsis: Marsha has always loved watching zombie movies. Never in her life did she think she would be living in a world where zombies were real. Now, she finds herself on the run with her family trying to reach a safe haven from the zombie apocalypse. Will she make it? Staring Gwen Flade and Harvey Spenn.
B – Fun Loving Family Synopsis: Reunions can be exhausting, especially if a majority of your family members are crazy, paranoid and stubborn. Join the Miller family as they try to manoeuvre their way to to their crazy relatives and make it through a weekend of craziness. Introducing Michael Ketton as Bruno Miller , the eldest son of the Miller family.
C – Follow Your Dreams Synopsis: Imagine the chance of lifetime falling right into your lap. Hellen had always wanted to be a ballet dancer. Follow her journey as she fights and claws her way to the top after getting a full scholarship to the Royal Ballet Academy. Share in her laughter and tears. Starring Julia Marsten as the determined Hellen Denver.
D – Beyond the Horizon Synopsis: Welcome to Havern, where dragons, noble knights and sorcerers live in harmony, or so they think. Little do they know, a new enemy is forming. Only together, can they defeat this new power. With an A-star cast, this fantasy movie is looking to be one of the best fantasy movies to hit the screen this year.
E – The Red Rose Synopsis: Detective Greg is the best detective in the city. His skills are put to the test as he tracks down a serial killer that is terrorising the city. There seems to be no pattern to his victims. The only link is that he he leaves a red rose next to them at every crime scene. With the help of his team, Detective Greg has to get into the head of this psychopathic serial killer to stop him. Starring Hugh Larie as the charming, sarcastic Detective Greg.

Questions 33 – 36

Which movie(A-E) has the following storylines?

33	A movie about a ballet dancer clawing her way to the top.	_____
34	A fantasy movie with noble knights , sorcerers and dragons.	_____
35	A family trying to survive a zombie apocalypse.	_____
36	A serial killer leaving a red rose at every crime scene.	_____

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Questions 37 to 40

Complete the email below using the information from the movie synopses. Choose no more than one word from the passage for each answer.

EMAIL	nora@email.com.my
To	chris@email.com
Subject	What should we watch this weekend?

Hello Chris!

I know we have decided to watch a movie together, but we've yet to decide on what we should watch. I have found a poster advertising five of the (37)_____ blockbuster movies that are screening right now, I thought that we should pick a movie from there. Firstly, I thought we could watch Beyond the Horizon as I know that you love fantasy just as much as I do. It's set in a world where knights, dragons and sorcerers live in harmony, though little do they know, a new enemy is forming. Besides that , we could also watch The Dead Will Follow as it stars your favourite actor, Harvey Spenn. It's about a family trying to survive zombie (38)_____. If you are in the mood for something fun and wacky, we could try to Fun Loving Family. It's about the MIller family trying to get through a weekend of craziness with their (39)_____. Or we could watch Follow Your Dreams if you want to watch something inspiring. It's about a ballet dancer clawing her way to the top. Lastly, we could perhaps try out the mystery/thriller movie, The Red Rose, which is about Detective Greg who is trying to hunt down a serial killer that has no patterns to his victims. The only lead the (40) _____ has is a red rose that is left behind every crime scene.

Which of these movies do you think we should watch? I look forward to your reply.

Nora

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