MAKING NEW FRIENDS?



With the extensive use of social media on a (0) *daily* (**day**) basis, searching profiles of people we share common (1) _____ (**character**) with has become a popular way of making new acquaintances. The first thing we notice is the user's profile picture, one which will show them at their best. Just as in a face-to-face encounter, looks are what lead us to the (2) _____ (**decide**) of whether we will proceed with a virtual (3) _____ (**friend**), which in the process may develop into a real one. Once a person accepts our (4) _____ (**request**) for online friendship, we are allowed to enter a world of sharing (5) _____ (**feel**) and emotions, likes and (6) _____ (**like**) and opinions and (7) _____ (**believe**). Emoticons are regularly used to represent happiness and enjoyment or anger and (8) _____ (**annoy**), but without being able to see someone's body language, we can never be sure those are (9) _____ (**actual**) the feelings they are experiencing at that moment. So, one has to wonder: how real can a friendship be when it is based on looks and (10) _____ (**emotion**) that may or, more likely, may not be real?

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HOLYROOD WALK OF FAME

In the 15th century, when Edinburgh became Scotland's capital city, Scottish royalty began to show a preference for Holyrood Palace rather than (0) _____ Edinburgh castle. Holyrood Palace is located (1) _____ the bottom of the Royal Mile in Edinburgh, next to Holyrood Abbey, from which it gets its name. (2) _____ are many beautiful works of art in the palace, which can be seen by members of the public on any day of the year, (3) _____ for 25th and 26th December.

Holyrood Palace has been home to many notable kings and queens, starting (4) _____ James II, who was born there and followed by James III, IV and V. Perhaps, though, one of the Palace's most famous residents was Mary, Queen of Scots, who lived at Holyrood House in 1561. (5) _____ the west corner of the palace one can find the bedchamber, or bedroom, of Mary, Queen of Scots, which is described as '(6) _____ most famous room in Scotland'.

Mary's son James VI continued the royal tradition at Holyrood, followed by Charles I, James VII and Bonnie Prince Charlie. As (7) _____ as these royal figures, Holyrood also had many famous visitors, most notably Queen Victoria and King George V.

Both the Palace and its setting are spectacular. Behind Holyrood Palace is Holyrood Park, with the dramatic Arthur's Seat (8) _____ the top. Arthur's Seat is (9) _____ dormant volcano from which you can see fantasti (10) _____ of the city.

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   D. the

7. A. good [ ]
   B. long
   C. much
   D. well

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   C. over
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    C. scenes
    D. location

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B2 Complete the sentences with the correct prepositions. Some prepositions may be used more than once. (See Appendix 3)

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1. After three weeks I finally **recovered** _____ a terrible cold.
2. How could you **mistake** George _____ his brother? They don't look anything like each other.
3. Our family **consists** _____ six members.
4. The media have repeatedly **praised** her _____ being active in the fight against child malnutrition.
5. Before your first job interview, why don't you **invest** _____ a nice suit to wear?
6. I **warned** you _____ Michael's laziness, but you wouldn't listen.
7. Don't you think it's silly to **waste** money _____ something you will only be able to wear maybe once a year?
8. I **apologise** _____ shouting at you earlier; I don't react so well under pressure.
9. She's naturally shy, so you'll never catch her **boasting** _____ what she's achieved.
10. Why are you **staring** _____ that girl? Is it the first time you've seen someone who's dyed their hair purple?

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