

## READING

### PART A

Read the text and questions below. For each question, mark the correct letter A, B, C or D.

Write the letter in the space done .

O'Connell Street is the main thoroughfare and is one of the busiest shopping streets in Dublin. Even though it is not a very long street, the locals will proudly tell the visitor that it is the widest street in Europe. This claim often meets with protests, especially from French people, claiming the Champs Elysees of Paris as Europe's widest street. But the witty Irishman won't easily relinquish bragging rights and will trump the French visitor with a fine distinction: The Champs Elysees is an avenue; O'Connell is a street. Divided by a few famous monuments running the length of its centre, the street is named after Daniel O'Connell, an Irish patriot. His monument stands at the lower end of the road, facing O'Connell Bridge. O'Connell stands high above the business people, unhurried crowds of shoppers and students on a large column, surrounded by four angels representing Patriotism, Courage, Eloquence, and Fidelity. Farther up the street on the other side is the famous General Post Office or the GPO, as Dubliners call it. During the Easter Rising of 1916, the GPO was taken over by the Irish Volunteers on Easter Monday and occupied by the revolutionary forces, sparking weeks of armed combat in the heart of Dublin. To this day, three of the angels bear bullet holes - two with a wound in the chest and one in its left arm.

1) What is the writer's main purpose in writing the text?

- ☐ A) to explain what it's like to be Irish
- ☐ B) to describe historical sights on Dublin's O'Connell Street
- ☐ C) to introduce readers to the biography of Daniel O'Connell
- ☐ D) to show how difficult being a Dubliner can be

2) Dubliners claim that O'Connell Street ...

- ☐ A) is the widest street in the world
- ☐ B) is the widest street in Europe
- ☐ C) is the longest street in all of Europe
- ☐ D) wider than it is long

3) What does the author say about the Irish people?

- ☐ A) They are talkative and playful
- ☐ B) They are rebellious and do not like foreigners
- ☐ C) They never agree with French people
- ☐ D) They are clever and funny

4) The Daniel O'Connell statue stands ...

- ☐ A) opposite O'Connell Bridge
- ☐ B) behind the General Post Office
- ☐ C) at the upper end of the street
- ☐ D) far away from the city centre

5) Which of the following would be the best title for this passage?

- ☐ A) The Irish Take Pride in Their Capital City
- ☐ B) The Widest Street in Europe
- ☐ C) Sights and History on Dublin's O'Connell Street
- ☐ D) Dublin's Famous Landmark

## PART B

Five sentences have been removed from the text below. For each question (1-5), choose the correct answer (A-H). There are three extra sentences which you do not need to use. **Write the letter in the space done .**

### Antarctica

Antarctica is the coldest, emptiest, and driest place on Earth. Ninety-nine percent of Antarctica is covered by ice about 5 metres thick. The coldest temperature ever recorded on Earth was minus 89.2 degrees Celsius, registered on July 21, 1983, at Antarctica's Vostok station. This continent is dry, windy, and very cold. 1)  There is an area called Dry Valleys that has not had rain for more than a million years!

The existence of Antarctica was completely unknown until the continent was first discovered in 1820. Antarctica doesn't have a government and belongs to no country. 2)  There are 30 various countries that operate 80 research stations located around the continent. In summer, more than 4000 scientists from all over the world work in research stations. Tourists arrive here, too. 3)

Antarctica has no trees or bushes. The only plants that can live in such a cold place are algae, moss, and fungi. 4)  They live close together in large colonies and build their nests on the ice. In the ocean around the continent, you can see seals, whales, and orcas, but there are no big or large native land animals on the continent. 5)

A) More than 56,000 people travelled to Antarctica during the 2018-2019 season.

B) Also hiding under the Antarctic ice is an entire lake called Lake Vostok.

C) But there are a lot of penguins.

D) Winds in some places can reach 320 km/h.

E) But Antarctica hasn't always been an icy land.

F) It is just too cold!

G) Antarctica is the land surrounded by the ocean.

H) It is the only place in the world that is not ruled by any nation.

## LISTENING

LISTEN the Audio , A FUTURE IN THE COUNTRY ?then decide whether these statements are right or wrong. Write the letter ( R OR W ) in the space done .

1. There were more people in Britain in 1980 than today. R / W \_\_\_\_\_
2. The country life is better than city R / W \_\_\_\_\_
3. Citizens who move to the rural areas are causing more problems. R / W \_\_\_\_\_
4. Air pollution and traffic are problems in parts of the country. R / W \_\_\_\_\_
5. Young people particularly like living in the country. R / W \_\_\_\_\_
6. There is less crime in rural areas of England. R / W \_\_\_\_\_
7. The British population will start to get smaller before the year 2030. R / W \_\_\_\_\_
8. The country transport distances seems longer when people live in the country and work in the city . R / W \_\_\_\_\_
9. Younger people believe country life is more exciting because there is less entertainment R / W \_\_\_\_\_
- 10 green areas of the country will disappear if people move there. R / W \_\_\_\_\_

## USE OF ENGLISH

### PART 1

future tenses : be going to will or present continuous. Complete the dialogue with the correct form. Write the full forms (example : **you are not going to work** )

Maria: What 1 \_\_\_\_\_ (you/do) this evening? 2 \_\_\_\_\_ (we/go out)?

Rosa: Not this evening. I 3 \_\_\_\_\_ (work) on a project until late.

Maria: And when do you think you 4 \_\_\_\_\_ (be) free for a drink?

Rosa: I don't know. I have my diary here with me; let me see. What about tomorrow? 5 \_\_\_\_\_ (you/do) anything?

Maria: I 6 \_\_\_\_\_ (see) my dentist tomorrow. Is Thursday OK?

Rosa: Yes, Thursday is perfect.

Maria: OK. What time 7 \_\_\_\_\_ (we/meet)?

Rosa: I 8 \_\_\_\_\_ (meet) a friend at 6. Is 7 OK?

Maria: Yes, great. But I don't have my car.

Rosa: Don't worry, I 9 \_\_\_\_\_ (take) mine. 10 \_\_\_\_\_ (I/pick you up) at 7 then?

Maria: OK, thanks.

## PART 2

Comparatives or superlatives Write the letter in the space done .

1 Jane's dog isn't as big \_\_\_\_\_.

a. as my.

b. as I.

c. as mine. / as mine is.

3 I walked \_\_\_\_\_. Everyone else didn't walk \_\_\_\_\_ me.

a. furthest / as far

b. the furthest / as far as

c. farer / as far than

5 This exercise is easier than the last one.  
This exercise \_\_\_\_\_ the last one.

a. isn't as difficult than

b. isn't as difficult as / is less difficult than

c. isn't difficult as

7 Happiness is \_\_\_\_\_ (important) thing.

a. the most important

b. most important

c. the importantest

9 Our last apartment was bigger. This one \_\_\_\_\_ (big) the old one.

a. isn't big as

b. isn't as big

c. isn't as big as

2 I was more stressed before. I'm not \_\_\_\_\_ (stress) before.

a. as stressed than

b. as stressed as

4 If you feel sad, watch a funny video on YouTube and you'll feel \_\_\_\_\_ (good).

a. more good

b. better

c. the best

6 Today is warmer than yesterday.  
Yesterday, \_\_\_\_\_ today.

a. wasn't warm as

b. wasn't as warm as

c. wasn't warmer as

8 We bought the house that cost \_\_\_\_\_ (less). The others houses were more expensive.

a. the least

b. the less

c. most less

10 Buses are cheaper than trains. Buses are \_\_\_\_\_ (expensive) trains.

a. less expensive as

b. less expensive than

c. more expensive than

### PART 3

Choose the correct option . 1 or 0 conditional. **Write the letter in the space done .**

1 We can leave when you \_\_\_\_\_ dinner

- a. will finish
- b. have finished
- c. finish

2 I'll send you the composition as soon as I \_\_\_\_\_ it.

- a. will finish
- b. finish
- c. have finished

3 You shouldn't sign the contract unless you \_\_\_\_\_ it carefully.

- a. will have read
- b. have read
- c. will read

4 I'll be there for you if you \_\_\_\_\_ me.

- a. need
- b. will need
- c. will be needing

5 You can't watch TV until you \_\_\_\_\_ your beans.

- a. have eaten
- b. will eat
- c. will have eaten



### PART 4

First or zero conditional: Choose the best option. **Write the letter in the space done .**

6 \_\_\_\_\_ the wedding if she \_\_\_\_\_ out the secret?

- A cancels / finds    B Will she cancel / finds  
C will she cancel / does she find    D she will cancel / will find



7 You won't lose any weight \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ eating healthier food.

- A unless / start    B when / start  
C as soon as / will start    D if / will start

8 I'll send you the composition \_\_\_\_\_ I \_\_\_\_\_ it. ( really important to do )

A when / finish B unless / finish

C as soon as / finish D if / finish

9 If public transport \_\_\_\_\_ efficient, Colombian people \_\_\_\_\_ using their cars.

A will be / stop B are / will stop

C will be / will stop D is / stop

10 \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ budget airline, you have to pay for your drinks and snacks

A when / pay B unless / pay

C if / pay D as soon as / pay

