

Part 1

For questions 1-8, read the text below and decide which answer (A, B, C or D) best fits each gap. There is an example at the beginning (0).

Example:

A major	B frequent	C similar	D various
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The Eighth Wonder of the World

The Thames Barrier is a **0** _____ part of the flood defence scheme for protecting London **1** _____ rising water levels. The defenses **2** _____ include raised river embankments and additional flood gates at strategic points, including the Barking Barrier. The unique structure that is the Barrier spans the 520-metre wide Woolwich reach and **3** _____ of 10 separate movable gates, each pivoting and supported between concrete structures which house the operating machinery.

When raised, the four main gates **4** _____ stand as high as a five storey building and as wide as the opening of Tower Bridge. Each **5** _____ 3700 tonnes. During the first twelve years of **6** _____, the Barrier has been closed twenty nine times to protect London.

7 _____ the Barrier from the comfortable cafeteria. Picnic on the riverside embankment. Enjoy beautiful views from the riverside walk. Visit the shop which stocks a large selection of souvenirs, books and Barrier information.

There is a children's play area suitable for 4- to 12-year olds, located adjacent to the riverside walk. A visit to the spectacular Thames Barrier is a **8** _____ experience.

1	A against	B for	C between	D with
2	A and	B also	C still	D too
3	A consists	B includes	C involves	D contains
4	A which	B every	C each	D none
5	A measures	B costs	C calculates	D weighs
6	A operation	B surgery	C vacation	D profession
7	A Sight	B View	C Hear	D Explore
8	A forgettable	B memorable	C forgetful	D memorised