

READING

TASK 4

Read the texts below. Match choices (A–H) to (17–21). There are three choices you do not need to use. Write your answers on the separate answer sheet.

Which notice says this?

- ☐ A You mustn't leave your bags here under any circumstances.
- ☐ B You may not see your property again if you leave it here.
- ☐ C You should not be here unless you are the owners.
- ☐ D This could be very dangerous to open.
- ☐ E Look for this in case of the alarm.
- ☐ F You won't be able to practise your backstroke here.
- ☐ G Don't go here if you don't have money in your pocket.
- ☐ H If your car is not clean, you don't have to clean it yourself.



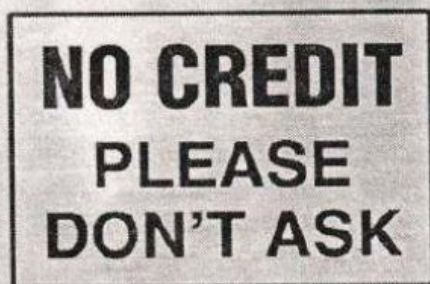
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TASK 5

Read the text below. For questions (22-26) choose the correct answer (A, B, C or D). Write your answers on the separate answer sheet.

A SCIENTIFIC DILEMMA

The latest lizard found in the Philippines — a bright-speckled cousin of the monitor lizard — was first spotted in 2001. Scientists saw members of the islands' Agta tribe carrying the lizard from the forest. The tribespeople would not give up their catch, because the lizard was going to be a tasty meal for them and their families. They did, however, let scientists take pictures of the lizard.

Finally, in 2009, scientists captured a lizard of their own to study. They named the new lizard the Northern Sierra Madre monitor lizard because it was discovered in the islands' Sierra Madre Mountains. The 6-foot-long lizard had bright yellow markings that distinguish it from more boring-looking monitors. Its legs were mainly yellow, and its tail was striped black and yellow. So how could scientists work in the Philippines' rain forests for years without finding the new lizard until now? They say the Northern Sierra Madre monitor is unlike other monitor lizards and their larger cousin, the Komodo dragon. All of those lizards are meat-eaters. But the newfound lizard eats fruit. That means it never has to come down out of the trees. Its uniquely colored skin, quiet manner, and treetop home helped it remain camouflaged from scientists' view for many years.

The discovery of the Northern Sierra Madre monitor is making scientists realize that Philippines' rain forests may hold many undiscovered species. But those species will not be found if the rain forests keep disappearing. Twenty years ago, forests covered about 35 percent of the Philippines' land. But people have been logging that land and building on it. Today, forests cover less than 25 percent of the country's land.

The rain forests are a 'conservation hot spot' that need to be protected, scientists say. "I hope we can make the new lizard a 'poster child' for conservation of the land," said one scientist. "Conserving the rain forest will trickle down to its other inhabitants."

monitor or monitor lizard — ящерица

trickle — просочиваться

22. When was a never-before-seen reptile found for the first time?

☐ A in 2000

☐ C in 2009

☐ B in 2001

☐ D in 2010

23. In what way does this finding differ from the previous ones?

☐ A It is very short.

☐ C It eats plants.

☐ B It lives in the water.

☐ D It looks like a snake.

24. What has this finding proved?

☐ A There are many unknown animals in the Philippines.

☐ B The rainforests are in danger.

☐ C The tribespeople need immediate help.

☐ D We will have a new tasty meal.

25. How much of the Philippines's territory do the rainforests comprise?

☐ A more than a quarter of the country's land

☐ C less than a half of the country's land

☐ B less than a quarter of the country's land

☐ D more than a quarter of the country's land

26. How can the scientists' finding help the rainforests?

☐ A It will reduce felling the trees in the territory.

☐ B It will show new oil deposits.

☐ C It can be used as a public notice.

☐ D It will be exhibited in the museum.

TASK 6

Read the text below. Match choices (A–H) to (27–32). There are two choices you do not need to use. Write your answers on the separate answer sheet.

BEST MEXICAN BEACHES

27.

Acapulco Beach

Acapulco is a lovely beach in Mexico, which is also referred to as the 'Pearly of the Pacific'. The beach provides great opportunity to relax in the day and enjoy the lively nightlife, during the shady hours. The beach is popular for its groovy night clubs, which offer their best during early morning hours.

28.

Cancun Beach

Cancun is the most popular beach in Mexico, which is frequented by visitors in great numbers. It is the best place to enjoy a relaxing vacation, amidst fine weather. Tourists can enjoy both quiet moments as well as action. Cancun beach is also apt for foreigners as most of the people in this area speak English.

29.

Cabo San Lucas Beach

Cabo San Lucas is yet another lively beach in Mexico. It is located at the far tip of Baja Peninsula, also known as the 'Gulf of Mexico'. The region is a real paradise, offering natural reserves at its best. Diving is one of the favourite sports here. Tourists can enjoy water sports, play golf or relax on the sand.

30.

Tulum Beach

Tulum Beach, located on the Caribbean coast, is one of the prettiest beaches in the world. Adding majesty and splendor to its beauty are the picturesque Mayan ruins, overlooking the beach. It is a tiny, but perfectly-formed white sandy cove, featuring palm shade and azure Caribbean waters. There are many souvenir shops, cafés and restaurants located here, along with a few hotels and restaurants.

31.

Puerto Vallarta Beaches

Puerto Vallarta offers some stunning beaches, which are ideal for swimming. Most of the beaches here are secluded and can be reached by boats and cruises. The place can undoubtedly be called a water lover's paradise. Besides, you can try the unusual sport of whale watching as well.

32.

Cozumel

Cozumel's clear turquoise waters and powdery sands coax travelers from cold winter climates to this roughly 185-square-mile island off the Yucatán Peninsula. Cruise ships are a constant feature of Cozumel's coastal views, and the atmosphere on this charming island is often interrupted by tourist chatter. In fact, Cozumel's charms are so effective that the shopping plazas along the waterfront stay congested much of the year.

Where to go if ... ?

- ☐ A you can't stand noisy crowds
- ☐ B you have decided to take some scuba diving lessons
- ☐ C you haven't got much money
- ☐ D you are a night club lover
- ☐ E you are keen on purchases
- ☐ F you want to practise English while having an interesting rest
- ☐ G watching very large marine mammals is your cherished dream
- ☐ H you are fond of history

TASK 7

Read the text below. Choose from (A–H) the one which best fits each space (33–38). There are two choices you do not need to use. Write your answers on the separate answer sheet.

HOLIDAY LIGHTS AT THE BEACH



Holiday Lights at the Beach, presented by Liberty Tax Service, brings joy and every holiday season!

Festive fish, jumping dolphins, frolicking porpoises — all in bright, coloured lights against the clear night-time sky, (33) _____, a holiday-themed light display at the Virginia Beach oceanfront! They are joined by Santa, elves, and a 40-foot tall Christmas tree (34) _____ and in the beautiful parks along the Virginia Beach boardwalk.

It's the only time of the year that cars (35) _____ — for over 30 blocks! 30,000 vehicles a year make the trek through this holiday wonderland. This “Fanta-Sea” of lights is sure to dazzle and amaze holiday travelers (36) _____. Hotels create special packages (37) _____ to the light show. New displays are added each year so it's never the same show twice! One of the highlights is the giant “12 Days of Christmas” display, (38) _____ 20 and 30 feet high! And, best of all, Santa himself makes a grand appearance to greet all his loyal fans as the evening winds down and thousands of families take the opportunity to enjoy the beautiful Virginia Beach oceanfront!

- ☐ A visiting Virginia Beach
- ☐ B where some fixtures (кріплення) stand
- ☐ C are the stars of McDonald's Holiday Lights at the Beach
- ☐ D making it easy to see
- ☐ E that include free tickets
- ☐ F erected on the beach
- ☐ G CD of holiday music
- ☐ H get to drive right on the boardwalk