

## Task 8

Read the texts below. For questions (39-48) choose the correct answer (A, B, C or D). Write your answers on the separate answer sheet.

### WWF

(39)\_\_\_\_ the variety of international organisations, WWF is always worth mentioning. Its mission is to (40)\_\_\_\_ nature and help to maintain a healthy ecosystem on our beautiful Earth. The areas which they care (41)\_\_\_\_ are our food, climate, freshwater, wildlife, forests and oceans.

The sad truth is that we, humans, destroy the glorious animal and plants kingdoms without any thought about the horrifying consequences. The small group of nature enthusiasts and scientists is the base of WWF, who actually think about the results of actions and try to stop the inevitable outcome.

(42)\_\_\_\_ preserving nature, this organisation is concerned about food and its footprint. The problem is that yearly 1.3 billion ton of food goes to waste still leaving over 800 (43)\_\_\_\_ people malnourished. It's not too late for humanity to stop and think over actions, help itself and nature.

39	A	Even so	B	Despite	C	In spite	D	Although
40	A	defend	B	solve	C	keep	D	conserve
41	A	about	B	from	C	around	D	off
42	A	On the other hand	B	However	C	As well as	D	Furthermore
43	A	million	B	millions	C	million of	D	millions of

## The Asian Elephant

The Asian elephant is the (44)\_\_\_\_\_ land mammal on the Asia/n continent. They inhabit dry to wet forest and grassland habitats. While they have preferred forage plants, Asian elephants have adapted to surviving on resources that (45)\_\_\_\_\_ based on the area.

More than two-thirds of an (46)\_\_\_\_\_ day may (47)\_\_\_\_\_ feeding on grasses, but it also eats large amounts of tree bark, roots, leaves, and small stems. Cultivated crops such as bananas, rice, and sugarcane are favorite foods. Elephants are always close to a source of fresh water because they (48)\_\_\_\_\_ to drink at least once a day.

44	A	large	B	larger	C	largest	D	most large
45	A	vary	B	variety	C	various	D	varied
46	A	elephant	B	elephant's	C	elephants	D	elephants'
47	A	spend	B	spent	C	have spent	D	be spent
48	A	can	B	need	C	ready	D	has

## Task 9

Read the texts below. For questions (49-58) choose the correct answer (A, B, C or D). Write your answers on the separate answer sheet.

### How Streaming Services Are Conquering the Market

With the growing variety of streaming services, cable TV networks (49)\_\_\_\_\_ in their attempts to attract viewers. Why is that, you might wonder. TV networks and everything they do depend (50)\_\_\_\_\_ the viewers ratings, whereas streaming services are not (51)\_\_\_\_\_ limited by censorship. As a result, such streaming services as Netflix are more flexible in choosing plots for the shows or movies and budget shifts.

Over the last decade, the number of people who still have cable TV at their homes (52)\_\_\_\_\_ significantly, but again, the audience chooses not to cut the cable and in the best case to have two options intact: the cable and Netflix. The reason behind such a choice is that none of the streaming services can provide access to sports. And a lot of Americans love sports so much that even the bargain price of the subscription (53)\_\_\_\_\_ change their minds.

49	A	are struggling	B	struggle	C	is struggling	D	were struggling
50	A	on	B	from	C	of	D	off
51	A	strictly	B	strict	C	strictness	D	restricted
52	A	drop	B	has dropped	C	drops	D	will drop
53	A	cannot	B	may not	C	must not	D	should not

## Concept of Friendship in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century

Are you a good friend? It's not compulsory (54)\_\_\_\_\_ out an answer straightaway. It will be better to figure out some basic traits of a good friend. If you are loyal, not judgemental, kind, tolerant, trustworthy, sympathetic and a good listener, the friendship (55)\_\_\_\_\_ turn out good and beneficial for you.

Let's have a look at people (56)\_\_\_\_\_ live in the 21<sup>st</sup> century. Are they kind? Tolerant and good listeners? It's highly unlikely. All they care about is themselves. Their profiles on Instagram have only them, their faces and bodies with meaningless quotations underneath. These hollow people attract similar human beings, and kids scrolling their feeds (57)\_\_\_\_\_ their eyes on those images and decide that it is cool to copy such behaviour. Is it beneficial to have an ego-centric friend? Only if you are cut from the same cloth, then you (58)\_\_\_\_\_ for life.

54	A	shouting	B	shout	C	to shout	D	shouts
55	A	will	B	have to	C	would	D	ought
56	A	who	B	whom	C	whose	D	which
57	A	catch	B	caught	C	catches	D	have caught
58	A	is paired	B	paired	C	are paired	D	would be paired