C1 Advanced
- Open cloze -

For questions 1-8, read the text below and think of the word which fits each gap. Use only one word in each gap.

Exam description

1. **Task Type:** Open cloze.
2. **Focus:** Grammar and vocabulary
3. **Format:** A text in which there are some gaps, each of which represents one missing word. You have to find the correct word for each gap.
4. **Number of questions:** 8.
5. **How many marks are there:** One mark for each correct answer.
6. **What is testing:**
   - collocations
   - quantifiers/articles/determiners
   - prepositions
   - linking words and conjunctions
   - relative pronouns
7. **General Advice:**
   - Read through the whole text as it may have an effect on the answer.
   - Make sure that any verb you write in a gap in agrees with its subject.
   - Take a guess if necessary! You will not lose marks.
   - Read through the text again

An Ugly Habit

Smoking is one of the most common and deadliest habits in the world. You have probably seen thousands of cigarettes smoked in your lifetime, (1) ..... perhaps not by your family. Even though fewer people smoke today than in the past, one (2) ..... every four adults still smokes, and there are parts of the world where smoking is increasing. Most people who become regular smokers started when they were young. This is the time to get the facts straight: smoking does no one (3) ..... good, and it does a great (4) ..... of harm to your health. It also often means giving up a lot later in life, such as the chance to excel in sports, extra spending money, and even years of one's life. There is a lot of to lose.

Most smokers have a hard time explaining why they started - and why they continue. They know it is harmful, and many even know someone who has died from a smoking-related illness, like lung cancer or heart disease. But (5) ..... the same time, these smokers continue lighting up when they go out for a drink, take a break from work, or hear alarming news. Some smokers even light up when they learn about the dangers of smoking, because they become worried. (6) ..... the reason people start smoking, the habit soon loses (7) ..... attraction. (8) ..... from the obvious health risks, smoking is an ugly, unpleasant habit. Most people would prefer to avoid a room that someone was filling with smelly smoke.