

Part 3

Tip Strip

Question 26: You need to add a suffix to this word to create a noun.

Question 27: Add another word to 'work' to form a compound word that usually describes what you do at the gym.

Question 29: Add a prefix to make a word that means 'find out'.

Question 32: The word you need means 'the people who do science'.

Question 34: Add a prefix to make this word negative.

For questions 25–34, read the text below. Use the word given in capitals at the end of some of the lines to form a word that fits in the gap in the same line. There is an example at the beginning (0).

In the exam, write your answers IN CAPITAL LETTERS on the separate answer sheet.

Example: 0 H E A L T H Y

Brain games

If you want to keep your brain fit and (0) ..... , then it is important to use it. And (25) ..... to some experts, doing puzzles can help us to keep our brains active. As well as getting (26) ..... from finding the correct answer to a difficult problem, we give our brains a good (27) ..... in the process, a bit like a session in the gym for other parts of the body. To help us do this, all sorts of handheld 'brain games' are now available in the shops, and the most (28) ..... games have sold in their millions.

What's more, people (29) ..... that the more they play the games, the easier it is to find a (30) ..... to the problems that are posed. They see this as proof that there has been an (31) ..... in the power of their brains. But this may not be the case.

Some (32) ..... argue that the brain gets better at any task the more often that task, or similar tasks, is repeated. In other words, the (33) ..... of the brain is following a normal pattern.

So although these brain games are obviously fun to play, it remains (34) ..... whether they are actually helping to boost brainpower or not.

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