

Task 3

- You are going to read an article about a Star Wars contest. Some words are missing from the text.
- Choose the most appropriate answer from the options (A-D) for each gap (18-25) in the text.
- Write the letter of the appropriate answer in the white box.
- There is one example (0) at the beginning.



STAR WARS MARATHON

Do you think you're the biggest Star Wars fan? Think again, as one cinema-goer studied US Navy Seal breathing techniques (0) _____ win a Star Wars marathon, sitting through 46 hours of the sci-fi saga.

A cinema in Austin, Texas, challenged fans to sit through the previous trilogies, and then *The Force Awakens* on repeat (18) _____ the last person still awake was identified. The rules were simple: food, drink and toilet breaks are permitted, (19) _____ sleeping, illegal drugs and talking and texting will result in disqualification.

Jim Braden, a (20) _____ Texan, was the eventual winner of the marathon, (21) _____ six other fans to win the precious prizes: a cinema membership for seven years and a seat named in his honour, (22) _____ a naming ceremony.

"I wanted to demonstrate my passion," he (23) _____ journalists. Braden, who grew up with Star Wars, also talked about (24) _____ he studied US Navy Seal breathing techniques. "We put ourselves through hell mentally and physically," Braden added. "One other guy complained of (25) _____ chest pains and dropped out."

Although he had watched the latest episode nine times, his review was enthusiastic: "I came out saying that I still enjoyed the movie. That's how you know it's good."

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| 0) | A just for | B hoping that | C in order to | D looking forward to | 0) | C | |
| 18) | A if | B before | C until | D unless | 18) | | |
| 19) | A as | B but | C when | D because | 19) | | |
| 20) | A 40 years old | B 40-year-old | C of 40 years | D 40-year | 20) | | |
| 21) | A defeating | B winning | C biting | D defending | 21) | | |
| 22) | A along with | B just like | C alone with | D altogether | 22) | | |
| 23) | A said | B explained | C told | D spoke | 23) | | |
| 24) | A that | B the cause | C however | D how | 24) | | |
| 25) | A having | B he had | C being in | D suffered | 25) | | |

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