

## English Assessment 1

**Read the text and choose the best answer!**

There is a new mall in our town. It is a grand place. Everybody is talking about it. My classmate said, "It's the best place in town. They sell anything you need." My father, mother, sister and I went there last night for our monthly shopping. It's hard to find a parking space. We parked our car on the seventh floor and we had to struggle to get a vacant lift. My father said, "it's too big and too many people around."

My mother said, "I can't find things I need easily. There are too many things to see." My sister said, "I'm so tired. The line is too long." So, I said, "Let's go back to our regular mall next time."

"Yes, although it is not so fancy, but we always enjoy our time there," my sister answered.

1. Why did the family go to the new mall?
  - A. They were curious about the new mall.
  - B. They liked the new mall very much.
  - C. They took the writer's classmate there.
  - D. They became the members of the new mall.
2. "We parked our car on the seventh floor and we had to struggle to get a vacant lift."  
Why did the family need the lift?
  - A. To take them to the floor they want to go.
  - B. To get to the nearest restaurant.
  - C. To take their shopping bags.
  - D. To get around the mall
3. "We parked our car on the seventh floor and we had to struggle to get a vacant lift." The underlined word is closest in meaning to . . . .
  - A. Comfortable
  - B. Empty
  - C. Nice
  - D. Big
4. Which of the following relates to the condition of the mall?
  - A. Big and crowded.
  - B. Small, but complete
  - C. Beautiful and minimalist
  - D. Peaceful and harmonious
5. What happened at the end of the story?
  - A. They complained that they didn't enjoy their shopping that day.
  - B. They didn't like the mall but they decided to go back next time.
  - C. They wanted to go back to the mall when they had time.
  - D. They had a lot of fun although the mall was too big.

## Read The Text for number 6-10

The following text is for questions 6 to 10.

### DID YOU KNOW?

#### FUN FACTS ABOUT ELEPHANTS



- The African elephant is the world's largest land mammal - with males on average measuring up to 3 m high and weighing up to 6 tonnes. At birth, elephants can weigh 120 kg.
- Elephants use their trunks to suck up water to drink - it can contain up to 8 litres of water.
- An elephant's skin is 2.5 cm thick in most places. The folds and wrinkles in their skin can retain water. It helps the elephant cool them down.
- Elephants need up to 150 kg of food per day. They eat much that they can spend up to three-quarters of their day eating.
- Amazingly, baby elephants can stand within 20 minutes of being born and can walk within 1 hour. After two days, they can keep up with the herd.

6. The . . . . of elephants makes them the world's largest land mammal.
  - Size
  - Look
  - Type
  - Price
7. If the average of children's weight at the age of 12 is 40 kg, a baby elephant is . . . . the weight of a child.
  - Once
  - Twice
  - Three times
  - Four times
8. How can the skin of elephants cool them down?
  - It's thicker than that of mammals skin.
  - It retains water in the folds and wrinkles.
  - The sun cannot penetrate the thick skin.
  - The thick skin is full of hair.
9. After reading the text, which of the following is the best place for an elephant?
  - A place with plenty of vegetation and water.
  - A place with tall trees and hills.
  - A place near a stream and rocks.
  - A savannah with little water.

10.“After two days, they can keep up with herd.” What does the sentence imply?

- The babies live with their mother only, so they go away from the herd.
- The babies need time to mingle with the herd to celebrate their birth.
- The ability to walk soon after the birth is very useful for the babies because the herd usually moves around.
- The ability to walk soon after the birth makes the herd busy because the adult have to take care of the babies.

**Read the text and match the clauses in Column A with column B**

Today, we would like to interview Cameron, a polyglot who speaks 27 languages! Do you know about polyglots? They are people who can read, write, and communicate in 3 or more languages.

Cameron is a 14 years old, gifted teenager from Atlanta, Georgia, who is currently learning her 27<sup>th</sup> language. What an exceptional talent!

Cameron started learning languages at the age of nine. At that time, she met a friend from Austria who felt lonely because she couldn't speak English, so Cameron learned German to help her feel less isolated. She loved the experience, and it started from there.

Cameron wants to travel the world and learn at least a hundred languages!

Her favourite is the Kazakh language. She really wants to visit Kazakhstan, Japan, Thailand, and Vietnam.

In the complete interview, you can find how Cameron learns languages. From the process, techniques, and also what apps she uses to learn new languages. Based on the experiences, it takes her about a year to be completely fluent in a new language.

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A	B
1. Polyglot is someone who . . .	a. learning at least a hundred language
2. Cameron needs applications . . .	b. speak German
3. Most Austrian . . .	c. Can speak more than three languages
4. It needs a year of learning and practicing . . .	d. to be completely fluent in a language
5. Cameron dreams . . .	e. to boost her competence in language