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Task 1

- In the following interview with Billy Keen, head zookeeper at the Elmwood Park Zoo in Norristown, the questions have been removed.
- Your task is to write the letters of the questions (A-K) next to the appropriate numbers (1-8).
- There is one extra question that you do not need.
- Write the letters in the white boxes as in the example (0).



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It'll be 2 years in July.

1) _____

It started in Scouts. I ran nature centres at Scout camps. When I was older I worked in a pet store. From age 14 on I got paid for working with animals.

2) _____

A zookeeper needs a 4-year degree in a biology-related field. I went to zookeeper school in Florida. It was a 3-semester course.

3) _____

I have eight zookeepers with interns. The interns are students working for us as part of their college training.

4) _____

Taking care of the animals is a daily job. There's also repainting of buildings, sweeping walkways, picking up trash.... it's an ongoing task that never ends.

5) _____

We try to show the more unusual North American species that people wouldn't recognize. I also have a few exotic animals.

6) _____

It depends on what the animal is. Our cats get a prepared meal called Bravo. It's regular ground meat. The omnivores get vegetables with a little Bravo added. The insect eaters get live crickets and earthworms.

7) _____

It varies because of the season. It's hard to give an exact number; it really depends on the month. Most of our visitors come May-July; during the winter we don't get many people.

8) _____

There are lots of projects that we're trying to get done. The zoo is very old; we're updating parts of it. We're trying to make the zoo as interactive and fun as we can and at the same time allowing people to get educated.

(<http://library.thinkquest.org>)

A) What kinds of animals do you have?

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B) How many workers are there at the zoo?

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C) ~~How long have you been at the Elmwood Park Zoo?~~

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D) How did you become interested in animals?

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E) What is your favourite animal?

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F) What kind of training did you go through?

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G) What do you feed the different animals?

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H) What changes could be made to the Elmwood Park Zoo?

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I) What does the zookeeper's job involve?

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K) How many people come to the zoo daily?

Task 2

- Read this funny story about some unlucky burglars.
- Some parts of sentences have been left out from the text.
- Your task is to reconstruct the story by filling in the gaps (9-14) from the list (A-H) below.
- Write the letters in the white boxes next to the numbers as in the example (0).
- Remember that there is one extra letter that you do not need.



THE SMART WAY TO CATCH BURGLARS

It was late and Charlie was about to climb into bed when his wife, looking really frightened, whispered to him that there was a light on in their garden shed. Charlie started to go outside to turn off the light but (0) _____ who were busy stealing his things.

He ran back inside right away and called the cops, who asked him "Are there any strangers in your house?" to which (9) _____ and explained what was happening. The cops told Charlie that all patrol cars were busy in another part of the city a long way off, and that he should (10) _____ and a uniformed police officer would be at his house when one was free.

Charlie answered, "Alright," hung up, waited 30 seconds, and (11) _____ .

"Hello, I called a short while ago because there were people stealing things from my shed. I want to let you know that (12) _____ because I've just shot every one of them."

Charlie then hung up the phone. In five short minutes, three patrol cars, a SWAT team, and an ambulance arrived, and of course, the cops (13) _____ .

One of the officers snapped at Charlie: "I thought you said that (14) _____ !"

"I thought you said that there were no patrol cars free!" Charlie answered.

(www.onlyfunnystories.com)

- A)** they're not a problem any more
- B)** the line was busy
- C)** ~~noticed some people in the shed~~
- D)** you had shot every one of them
- E)** caught the burglars in the act
- F)** just lock his door
- G)** called the police station again
- H)** Charlie replied "no"

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Task 3

- Read this article about an interesting way of finding new friends and then read the half sentences that follow the text.
- Your task is to match the half sentences based on the information in the article.
- Write the letters (A-K) in the white boxes next to the numbers (15-22) as in the example (0).
- Remember that there is one extra letter that you will not need.



A DIFFERENT KIND OF SOCIAL NETWORKING

Bottles with messages from Harold Hackett, 58, from Newfoundland, have made it to France, the United States and even Africa

It all started when Harold Hackett threw a glass Pepsi bottle with a note inside overboard while he was bored to death fishing for tuna in 1996. Since starting his message-in-a-bottle hobby, Hackett has thrown 4,871 bottles into the Atlantic. The note inside asks finders to write back to him, saying when and where they found his bottle. So far he has received over 3,100 letters, a 73.6% response rate.

"I got one note back with five different people finding it. They found it, put the message back and let it go. It started in Cape Breton and went to Nova Scotia. Then, it went to Massachusetts, North Carolina and Florida, and then the guy there wrote back to me," he says. "There were five letters in the envelope when I got it."

"I used to write all of those letters out by hand in the first four or five years," he remembers. He later had to start getting his notes photocopied. Then he entered the send-off date with a pen.

"I still have a lot of writing," he says, explaining that he writes back to everyone who contacts him with information on a found bottle.

Local fishermen often see his bottles with neon paper bobbing in the water. "The minute they see it, they don't even have to look at it. They just say, 'that's Harold Hackett,' and they throw it back in," he says smiling.

With all the bottles he's received news about, there's one bottle that still escapes him – bottle number 1 from 1996. "I've got a feeling this year will be the one," he says.

(www.theguardian.pe.ca)

- 0) *At least one of Mr Hackett's bottles*
- 15) Harold's hobby started...
- 16) When someone picks a bottle from the ocean, Harold...
- 17) The statistics show that more than two thirds of the messages...
- 18) One of the bottles was found by several people, while...
- 19) As his hobby grew, Harold...
- 20) If someone informs him about a find, s/he...
- 21) By now the fishermen in Harold's village...
- 22) Harold really hopes that someone...

- A) wants to know about the time and place of the find.
- B) have actually been found by people.
- C) ~~travelled as far as Africa.~~
- D) it contained a photo of Mr Hackett.
- E) know well that he has this message-in-the-bottle hobby.
- F) while he was sitting in a boat and had nothing interesting to do.
- G) will get an answering letter from Harold.
- H) it travelled to different parts of the ocean.
- I) found that he couldn't write so many notes any more.
- K) will inform him about his very first bottle this year.

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Task 4

- Read this article about a young hacker's discovery and then read the statements (23-29) following it.
- Mark a sentence A if it is true according to the article.
- Mark it B if it is false.
- Mark it C if there isn't enough information in the text to decide if the sentence is true or not.
- Write the letters in the white boxes next to the numbers as in the example (0).



CHILD HACKERS' CONFERENCE

A new type of security problem has been found in many mobile games by a ten-year old hacker. The hacker, CyFi, gave a presentation about his findings at DefCon Kids, which held its first meeting during the larger DefCon hacker conference. The conference now has sessions for young people who are interested in trying things out in hardware and software.

CyFi found that advancing the clock on a tablet or phone, in many games, makes it possible to get access to data which are not meant for the public. He discovered the bug after getting bored with the pace of farming games and seeking ways to speed them up.

Many farm-based games force players to wait hours before they can produce fruit or crops grown from virtual seeds. As a result CyFi, who has not revealed his real name, started manipulating the clock on his handset to see if he could make the game faster.

By disconnecting his phone from wi-fi and only advancing the clock by small amounts, he found the game in a state not tested by its original creators. CyFi's discovery has since been inspected by independent security researchers. Exactly which games are unprotected has not been revealed, to give their creators time to fix them.

(<http://www.bbc.co.uk>)

0) *The hacker, CyFi, is 10 years old.*

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23) DefCon Kids conference was part of the DefCon conference.

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24) The hacker was the first speaker at the conference.

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25) In the hacker's opinion the game took too long to play.

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26) The hacker found the weak point in the system when he was at home.

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27) It is not known how he managed to speed up the game.

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28) Experts have checked the games to find out
if the hacker's findings were correct.

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29) The problems in the games have already been fixed.

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This is the end of this part of the exam.
