Spotlight 9 — Evaluation Task 9420

1. Listening. Listen to some people talking about mobile phones and match the speakers (A-E) to the statements (1-6) One is extra!!!

1. I spend a lot of money on my mobile phone.
2. I don't like the way people phrase text messages.
3. Mobile phones are good for reasons of safety.
4. I only make short phone calls on my mobile.
5. My mobile is a good toy.
6. I feel that I need my phone too much.

A	B	C	D	E

2. Reading. Read the text and match the headings (1-6) to the paragraphs (A-E). There is one extra heading you do not need to use.

1. LACK OF EVIDENCE
2. ENVIRONMENTAL DISASTER
3. EYEWITNESS REPORTS
4. THE SEARCH CONTINUES
5. STRANGE SIGHTINGS
6. DIFFERENT EXPLANATIONS

TUNGUSKA EXPLOSION

A. A little over 100 years ago, on the morning of 30th June 1908, there was a huge explosion in the sky above the Tunguska River in Siberia. It was as if a giant bomb had gone off over the area. In fact, the explosion was so powerful that it killed 80 million trees, destroying a nature area of over 13,000 square kilometres in size.

B. People who saw the explosion back then all gave similar descriptions of the event: an extremely bright light, as if the sky were on fire, followed by a deafening crashing sound and strong wind. This wind was so strong that it brought down buildings, uprooted trees and knocked people to the ground. Everyone spoke of a giant fireball splitting the sky in two. In fact, the effects of the explosion were so powerful, that they spread as far as Central Asia and Northern Europe.

C. There are many ideas about what happened. These ideas range from the extremely unlikely (a UFO exploded) to the unlikely (a black hole passed through the Earth). But there is one idea that many scientists think may be right. This is that a meteorite (which is a rock from outer space) about 35 metres in length and weighing millions of kilos, entered the Earth's atmosphere that day and exploded.

D. Still, not all scientists think that this explanation can be correct. They pay attention to the fact that no one has ever found a piece of rock from a meteorite on the ground in Tunguska. They also wonder why trees in the area now grow extremely quickly. Not only this, but whatever it was that exploded over Tunguska left no mark behind.

E. In truth, Tunguska remains as much a mystery today as it was 100 years ago. Nevertheless, scientists intend to carry on examining the Tunguska forest and the surrounding area in the hope that one day they will discover the answer to this fascinating mystery.

A	B	C	D	E

3. Vocabulary Fill in the correct phrase.

1. figurative speech **2.** broadband connection **3.** artificial brain
4. emotional response **5.** phone line **6.** email account

A. I can't send or receive anything over the Internet until I've set up my _____ .
B. You can't expect a robot to show a(n) _____ ! They have no feelings!
C. Why don't you get a(n) _____ ? You'll be able to get on the Internet much faster than you do now.
D. George didn't have an Internet connection, so he checked his _____ to see if it was working.
E. Do you believe robots will ever be able to understand idioms or other parts of _____ ?

A	B	C	D	E

LIVEWORKSHEETS

4-23. Grammar. Choose the correct item:

4. _____ Peter a new games console for his birthday?
1. Will you have bought **2.** Are you buying **3.** Do you buy

5. Mark is really good with computers; I'm sure he _____ the IT test tomorrow.
1. will have passed **2.** will pass **3.** is passing

6. This time next week, we _____ the technology exhibition in Boston.
1. 'll have attended **2.** 'll attend **3.** 'll be attending

7. I _____ the anti-virus software on your computer as soon as I get home tonight, I promise.
1. will install **2.** am installing **3.** will be installing

8. By this time next month, we _____ our computer training course.
1. will have completed **2.** are completing **3.** will be completing

9. Christine saved her work on a disc _____ she would have an extra copy if something went wrong with her computer and she lost it.
1. in order **2.** so that **3.** so as **4.** before

10. I will call you when I _____ in London.
1. will arrive **2.** arrive **3.** am arriving **4.** will have arrived

11. Bob rebooted his computer _____ the screen would stop freezing.
1. in order **2.** in case **3.** after **4.** so that

12. Richard is _____ hooked on the Internet that he even does all his shopping online.
1. so **2.** very **3.** as **4.** such

13. The scanner isn't working. When _____ someone to fix it?
1. have you called **2.** do you call **3.** will you call **4.** are you calling

14. The atmosphere at the carnival was fantastic; people were throwing ____ and dancing in the streets all night.
1. crackers **2.** fireworks **3.** grenades **4.** streamers

15. Maria _____ handicrafts for three years before she decided to open up her own pottery shop.
1. made **2.** was making **3.** had made **4.** had been making

16. Ever since I changed my _____ to broadband, I can get on the Net much faster.
1. line **2.** account **3.** connection **4.** subscription

17. There have been many reported _____ of Bigfoot all over the world.
1. sights **2.** sightseeings **3.** sightings **4.** illusions

18. When Jane was a child, she _____ a lot of books about sea monsters.
1. used to have **2.** would have **3.** was having **4.** had been having

19. Can you be a little more careful, please? You _____ coffee on my keyboard.
1. are going to spill **2.** will be spilling **3.** spill **4.** have been spilling

20. You'd better save your documents _____ the computer crashes.
1. in order that **2.** in case **3.** as if **4.** so that

21. _____ creatures such as giants, dragons and sea monsters often appear in Northern European folklore.
1. Extinct **2.** Optical **3.** Mythical **4.** Wild

22. Emma is on holiday, so I _____ after her cat until she returns.
1. look **2.** 've looked **3.** had been looking **4.** 'm looking

23. David _____ of dressing up as a pirate for the Halloween party on Saturday.
1. thinks **2.** will think **3.** is thinking **4.** is going to think

24-28. Fill in the correct word. There are words you do not need to use!!!

caters *exists* *discover* *divided* *invented* *overcome*
subscription *modem* *perform* *deletes* *become* *server* *build*

24. Ben never goes anywhere without his laptop, as it _____ for all his business needs.

25. Timothy can't connect to the Internet because his computer doesn't have a(n) _____.

26. Ben used recycled materials to _____ his robot for the science exhibition.

27. John cancelled his monthly _____ to his Internet Service Provider because it was too expensive.

28. Experts are _____ as to whether robots will ever take the place of human teachers in the classroom.

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