

TASK 1. (4 points)

You are going to hear three people talking about extreme sports. For questions 1.1.–1.4., choose the right speaker (A–C) and put a cross (X) in the appropriate column in the table. One speaker must be chosen twice. You will hear the recording twice.

Which speaker		A	B	C
1.1.	mentions the desire to brave death as one of the reasons for doing extreme sports?			
1.2.	gives precedence to mental rather than physical fitness?			
1.3.	challenges a commonly held view of risk takers?			
1.4.	describes physical sensations resulting from fear?			

Task 3. (5 points)

You will hear Ray Connolly, a British journalist, who is talking about his relationship with The Beatles in the later years of their career. Complete each sentence (3.1.–3.5.) with a few words or a short phrase, according to what you hear. You will hear the recording twice.

3.1. According to Ray, by destroying The Beatles, Lennon unintentionally saved them from _____.

3.2. At that time Lennon's decision was _____
by The Beatles fans.

3.3. Ray emphasizes _____ of The Beatles to journalists.

3.4. While interviewing Yoko Ono, Ray found her willing to share _____.

3.5. Apart from giving new facts about The Beatles, challenging popular views on the relationships in the band, Ray gives the interview in order to _____.

TASK 7. (0–5)

Read the text. For questions 7.1.–7.5., choose the word or phrase which fits best in each gap. Circle the appropriate letter (A, B, C or D).

GLASS BEACH – THE DUMP YOU'LL WANT TO VISIT

Mother Nature is sometimes able to right the things that we, humans, mess up. Glass Beach in Fort Bragg, California, gained its unique name because of the tons of smooth colourful glass pieces adorning its sand. Originally, the site was used as an unofficial dump by Fort Bragg residents who discarded their household garbage, glass, appliances and even cars there. Nobody looked after the area. Sometimes fires were lit in an **7.1.** _____ to reduce the size of the trash pile. By 1967 local residents had had enough and city leaders **7.2.** _____ into launching various programs which were aimed at cleaning up the dump. For a month the beach was **7.3.** _____ as the police searched it for toxic waste. Then a massive clean-up operation started. **7.4.** _____, it proved impossible to remove the glass which had mingled among the pebbles. Over the next few decades the pounding waves cleansed the beach, weathering down the glass into the small, smooth, coloured trinkets that are found there today. In 2002, the California State Park system took over the Glass Beach property, and it was **7.5.** _____ into the MacKerricher State Park. Although many people go to the beach to forage for glass, this is actively discouraged and signs warn that removal of glass is not allowed.

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7.1.

- A. aim
- B. eventuality
- C. intention
- D. attempt

7.2.

- A. talked
- B. were to talk
- C. were talked
- D. used to be talked

7.3.

- A. washed up
- B. laid aside
- C. sealed off
- D. kept out

7.4.

- A. Furthermore
- B. As a result
- C. Since then
- D. However

7.5.

- A. incorporated
- B. implicated
- C. compiled
- D. united

TASK 9. (0–5)

For questions 1.– 5., complete each gap using the words given in brackets so that the sentence is logical and correct as far as spelling and grammar are concerned. Use up to six words including the words given in brackets. Do not change the order of the words given in brackets.

1. Carol should have worked harder if she wanted to be promoted.

SUCCEEDED

Had Carol worked harder, she _____ being promoted.

2. As far as I know, this medicine can cause serious side effects.

KNOWLEDGE

To _____, this medicine can cause serious side effects.

3. Should you have the time, please carry these boxes up to the attic.

HAPPEN

Please carry these boxes up to the attic if _____ the time.

4. The author of the article is said (**attract/a lot/criticism**) _____ concerning the results of his latest research.

5. The injured driver is in far better shape now than immediately after the accident.

SIGNIFICANT

There _____ in the condition of the injured driver since the accident.