

Example:

0 A time B season C series D episode

Example answer: B

Don't miss the event of the year!

Now in its seventh (0), this year, the Rogers Estate Festival starts a day earlier: on Thursday, which means visitors have a whole extra day to enjoy it. This showcase of art and music takes place in a (1) like no other, with the castle ruins in the background. This year's line-up includes an array of talented actors alongside a very (2) selection of both local and international musicians and visual artists.

Visitors can take (3) an impressive range of exhibits and experience both the permanent and (4) collections through their five senses. In addition to large-audience sessions, there will be more intimate moments, including poetry recitals, (5) by soloists plus painters and sculptors at work. Last but not least, on Friday, we are in for a special (6) Belinda Wilde, our guest of honour this year, is (7) her debut at the festival, giving us a preview of a new (8) of her famous symphony. If you still haven't bought your pass to the festival, what are you waiting for?

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| 1 A scenery | B set | C setting | D stage |
| 2 A supreme | B high | C luxury | D elite |
| 3 A off | B up | C in | D on |
| 4 A provisional | B temporary | C casual | D momentary |
| 5 A performances | B productions | C acts | D presentations |
| 6 A joy | B bliss | C treat | D treatment |
| 7 A giving | B making | C taking | D doing |
| 8 A constitution | B distribution | C organisation | D arrangement |

Example:

0 A fancy B inclined C tempting D dreamy

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Hobbyists around the world unite

No doubt you may be (0) to think that in this day and age, traditional pursuits are no longer 'in' and that we would have (1) away with old-fashioned hobbies that don't involve computers. Nothing of the (2) If anything, the internet has made it easier for people with specialist hobbies in different corners of the planet to (3) themselves to their passion and to support one another. With one quick press of a key, (4) car collectors are online, comparing notes and restoration (5) with enthusiasts in distant lands. If a part needs replacing, a vast electronic inventory is out there (6) and waiting. After a day in the field, birdwatchers can post sightings they consider worth sharing with likeminded enthusiasts who will immediately (7) to their passion.

Thankfully, face to face contact does still take place. Historic car rallies and races have a large following. Come Sunday morning, children and adults alike still meet to swap, or perhaps even (8) the cards missing from their collections.

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| 1 A done | B taken | C put | D sent |
| 2 A type | B sort | C variety | D brand |
| 3 A focus | B present | C stick | D devote |
| 4 A ancient | B historical | C classic | D epic |
| 5 A means | B techniques | C crafts | D systems |
| 6 A handy | B willing | C ready | D open |
| 7 A relate | B share | C connect | D join |
| 8 A bid | B purchase | C invest | D subscribe |

Example:

0 A growing B evolving C moving D rising

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News sharing

The way we obtain our news coverage is always (0) The public can gain information on current events from a wide variety of (1) Centuries ago, news was obtained either by word of mouth, with towncriers (2) citizens of news and by-laws, or from print, with notices posted on doors of the local inn. With the (3) of radio, whole families could (4) together in the living room to listen to the daily newsbulletin. Even today, when TV sets occupy a prime (5) in the most used rooms in our house, some listeners remain faithful to their radio stations. Except, of course, for the fact that many will (6) to them on their computer or tablet instead of turning their radio dial. With the (7) use of social media, news travels faster than ever before. Minute-by-minute coverage of the news no longer relies on TV networks. Increased internet access enables individuals to share photos, opinions and even live videos with one sharp (8) on the screen.

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| 1 A opportunities | B causes | C ways | D sources |
| 2 A explaining | B informing | C noting | D communicating |
| 3 A arrival | B entrance | C starting | D approach |
| 4 A team | B gang | C gather | D unite |
| 5 A area | B site | C position | D point |
| 6 A turn | B switch | C tune | D start |
| 7 A sweeping | B absolute | C large | D widespread |
| 8 A stroke | B tap | C squeeze | D nudge |