PART 5

You should spend about 20 minutes in this part.

Read the text below. Eight sentences have been removed from the text.

For **33** to **36**, choose from the sentences **(A – D)** to fit each gap.

For **37** to **40**, choose from the sentences **(E – H)** to fit each gap.

Building a Reading Habit

Starting to read at an early age is not only important but also has many benefits. It helps children expand their vocabulary and strengthen their writing skills.

(33) _____ It helps us learn what is happening around the world. It also stimulates our imagination and creativity.

However, we should not only read for knowledge. **(34)** _____ Reading is a stress buster and can help us relax.

Here are some ways to build a reading habit. **(35)** _____ You don't have to only read novels. Read comic books, short stories, folktales or even cookbooks. If you read something you like, you are more likely to complete it. Next, choose books suitable for your reading level.
(36) _____ As your interest and confidence grows, expand your choice of reading material.

Another way to build the reading habit is to read a little every day. Setting small goals is helpful to develop a consistent reading habit. Finally, talk about the books you read with family and friends. For example, sharing your thoughts about your favourite characters can encourage you to read more.

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A This is important especially if you struggle to read.

B We should read for fun.

C Reading in general benefits people of all ages.

D To begin, read anything you find interesting.

How to Start a Reading Club at School

A book club is a wonderful way to learn about different types of books. When members recommend their favourite books to read and discuss, other members are exposed to different books and authors.

Joining a book club is a great way to increase social interaction. It also keeps the brain sharp. For these reasons, I started a book club at my school recently. This is how I did it.

First, I made a poster about my idea for a book club. **(37)** _____ On the day of the meeting, 15 students showed up. I asked everyone to write down their name in a list. **(38)** _____

After that, I asked for suggestions for a book theme. I knew if I chose a theme that everyone liked, they would enjoy the club. **(39)** _____

Next, I asked for suggestions for a club name. **(40)** _____ In the end, 'Book Buddies' received the highest number of votes.

Finally, we decided to meet once every two weeks on Wednesday at 3.00 p.m. We also decided what book to discuss during our next meeting. I can't wait to meet everyone for our second meeting.

E These students were now members of the club.

F I listed five catchy names and asked everyone to vote.

G I received many suggestions for science fiction and fantasy.

H I invited students to attend a meeting.

[8 *marks*]

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