

GE7 EOT1 REVISION 1

A. Listening

You will hear five short extracts in which people are talking about camping trips. Choose from the list (A-H) what opinion each speaker gives about the camping trip they went on. Use each letter only once. There are three extra letters which you do not need to use.

- A. It was more comfortable than I had thought.
- B. It made me want to go camping again.
- C. It brought the family closer together.
- D. It was easy for me to choose a good camp-site.
- E. It cost less than my usual holidays.
- F. It made me feel healthier.
- G. It brought back happy memories.
- H. It was a great way for me to relax.

Speaker 1:

Speaker 2:

Speaker 3:

Speaker 4:

Speaker 5:

You will hear a group leader talking to some students who are going to visit an important athletics event in Birmingham. For each question, fill in the missing information in numbered space.

Athletics Championships

Date of college trip:

15th _____

Number of sportspeople who will compete:

How the group will travel to Birmingham:

by _____

What group members should take on the day:

Name of the website page:

Which day other details will be available to students:

B. Reading

Read and choose the correct answer:

Paul Harris talks about how he studied by distance learning before going to university

I didn't follow the normal route to university. Most of my teenage friends stayed on at school, passed their exams, chose their favourite university and continued their education. I couldn't wait to get to work and left without any qualifications, feeling that having a salary was more important. I spent a few years doing different jobs but always wondered what might have happened if I had followed my friends' example.

It was ten years later, in my late twenties, and after I discovered a love of history, that I finally decided I wanted to go to university. I thought about giving up my job and spending a year at college getting the exams I needed for university, but I couldn't afford to do this. So I decided to study on a distance-learning course and keep my job. This was long before the internet and online learning. My course consisted of a parcel brought by the postman with all the books I needed for the year, a study plan and the contact details of my tutors. No telephone number, just an address of a business where I had to post my work.

I would spend a week or two studying the next unit, write an essay and post it to the tutor. I would then wait, usually for at least two weeks, for the tutor's reply. It was always a very exciting moment when the postman arrived and I opened the envelope to see how well I had done. My tutor's comments were always very helpful, though I often wished I could phone him for the chance to discuss some of the things he had written.

I passed the exams and did indeed go to university. And the distance-learning course taught me the importance of hard work and the need to focus. It wasn't easy studying like this without the technology available today. I wasn't able to ask the questions I had and get the quick response that communication tools now make possible. But I also think it was much easier to concentrate then. There was no mobile phone to turn to every five minutes or social media to follow. I'm glad I did it my way.

1 How did Paul feel about going to university when he left school?

- A He wanted to be like his friends.
- B He didn't think he could get the qualifications he needed.
- C He wanted to earn money.
- D He regretted not going.

2 Paul chose a distance-learning course

- A because he loved his job.
- B so he could continue working.
- C because he couldn't find a history course at college.
- D because it was too late to go to college.

3 What does Paul say about the course?

- A He would have liked more contact with his tutor.
- B He didn't understand his tutor's comments.
- C His tutor's handwriting was difficult to read.
- D The post service was very poor.

5 What would be a good introduction to this article?

- A Paul Harris warns against choosing distance learning after his negative experiences.
- B Forget college: distance learning is the best way to get that university place, says Paul Harris.
- C Paul Harris describes his experiences of studying at a distance without the use of modern technology.
- D Distance learning should be avoided if you are not serious about your goal, writes Paul Harris.

C. Vocabulary and Grammar

1. Read and choose the correct answer:

Wai is a _____ in Thai culture that is used for greeting.

- a. gesture b. tip c. cheek d. formal

In India, among men, they may _____ each other on the back when greeting.

- a. hug b. pat c. tip d. gesture

Thousands of years ago, some of our _____ came from Scandinavia.

- a. granddaughters b. nephews c. nieces d. relatives

Bulgaria is a beautiful country in Eastern _____.

- a. Asia b. Africa c. Europe d. south-east

French people gave the USA the Statue to celebrate the _____ of the American Declaration of Independence and the friendship with France.

- a. engagement b. centenary c. collection d. liberty

Chinese people think of dragons as helpful, friendly creatures which symbolise long life and _____.

- a. arrival b. wisdom c. wealthy d. celebrations

Chinese New Year is the time when Chinese people welcome the _____ of spring.

- a. celebration b. happiness c. arrival d. wealth

_____ is the Muslim religion that is based on belief in one God and revealed through Muhammad as the Prophet of Allah.

- a. Hindu b. Christianity c. Buddhism d. Islam

I have a painting that shows Maslenitsa a hundred years ago with _____ sleighs.

- a. snow-covered b. world-famous c. fur-lined d. horse-drawn

I used to sell posters and keychains in my _____. I think I was 15 or 16 back then.

- a. late teens b. late thirties c. early twenties d. mid-teens

Jimmy told me he owned the mansion and silly me, I _____ for it.

- a. fell b. tripped c. believed d. laughed

People have always worn jewellery to _____ their status, for decoration, for practical _____ or just for fun.

- a. explain-
housework b. hang out- aims c. show up- goals d. show off-
purposes

A belt buckle was considered a _____ symbol of men in Ancient China

- a. position b. powerful c. status d. emperor

I don't like shoes with laces, so I decided to buy these shoes so that I don't have to _____ them_____.

- a. slip...on b. do...up c. put...on d. take...off

