

TEST 1: USE OF ENGLISH

Part 1

For questions 1–12, read the text below and decide which answer (A, B, C or D) best fits each gap. There is an example at the beginning (0).

In the exam you mark your answers on a separate answer sheet.

Example:

0 A going B getting C making D setting

0	A	B	C	D
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Whose wave power is it?

Construction of the world's biggest wave-energy installation is (0) ahead off the coast of Cornwall in southwest England. More than twenty-one million pounds' (1) of funding has been agreed for what is (2) as Wave Hub, a giant electrical terminal on the seabed ten miles off the coast. Wave Hub will allow a number of different wave-energy devices operating in the area to transmit the energy they generate along a high-voltage undersea cable, back to the shore.

Once it is in (3) operation, Wave Hub is (4) to support the largest concentration of wave-energy machines anywhere in the world. It will also mark an enormous (5) forward in the development of wave power, which has tended to (6) behind its cousins in the other main (7) of renewable energy technology: wind power and solar power.

But surfers in the southwest have (8) concerns about the project. Cornwall is Britain's principal surfing region (9) of the size of the Atlantic rollers hitting the beaches there, and surfers are concerned that the energy taken from the waves may (10) in a reduction of as much as eleven percent in the height of those waves when they (11) the shore. But an independent study reported this week that any effect on wave height will probably be much less than the surfers had (12)

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| 0 A going | B getting | C making | D setting |
| 1 A amount | B value | C worth | D quantity |
| 2 A referred | B called | C entitled | D known |
| 3 A whole | B full | C entire | D thorough |
| 4 A likely | B probable | C plausible | D surely |
| 5 A tread | B strike | C pace | D step |
| 6 A lag | B leave | C drag | D delay |
| 7 A limbs | B branches | C wings | D prongs |
| 8 A explained | B spoken | C expressed | D commented |
| 9 A because | B account | C reason | D thanks |
| 10 A upshot | B result | C conclude | D arise |
| 11 A arrive | B realise | C reach | D achieve |
| 12 A scared | B worried | C frightened | D feared |

Tip Strip

- Read the text for general understanding first.
- Only one of the options A, B, C or D fits the gap.
- The option you choose must fit in the sentence and also fit the context of the text as a whole.
- Check the words before and after the gap. For example, some words can only be used with certain prepositions, some words are part of set phrases or phrasal verbs.
- When you have finished the task, read through the text again and make sure that the text makes complete sense with your answers in place.

Question 3: This is a fixed phrase. Which of the options makes a phrase that means 'in working order'?

Question 6: This is a phrasal verb. Use the preposition to help you choose the answer.

Question 8: This is a verb + noun collocation. Which verb collocates with 'concerns'?

Question 9: Which of these words is followed by the preposition 'of'?

Question 12: These words all have a similar meaning, but only one fits in the sentence. Think about transitive and intransitive verbs.