Read and complete the text below. For each of the empty space (23–32) choose the correct answer (A, B, C or D).

MODERN TECHNOLOGY

Modern technology is changing and improving all the time. Every month, scientists (23) _____ new gadgets and (24) _____ help us with our daily lives, and (25) _____ ways to make existing technology faster and better. Our homes are full of hardware, such as DVD players and computers and (26) _____ such as computer games and MP3s.

(27) _____ suggests, however, that it's young people who are best able to deal with this change. Whereas teenagers have no problem (28) _____ a DVD player, their mums and dads and grandparents often find using new technology (29) _____ and difficult. But if you are a teenager who criticizes your parents for their (30) _____ of technological awareness, don't be too hard on them! Sometime (31) _____ the future, when you've got children of your own, your ability to deal with new technology will probably (32) _____. And your children will feel more comfortable with new technology then you do. You won't want them to criticize you, will you?

23	**A** estimate	**B** invent	**C** involve	**D** experiment
24	**A** experiments	**B** effects	**C** laboratories	**D** equipment
25	**A** involve	**B** discover	**C** decrease	**D** connect
26	**A** screens	**B** gadgets	**C** software	**D** laptops
27	**A** Research	**B** Experiment	**C** Program	**D** Technology
28	**A** involving	**B** operating	**C** discovering	**D** inventing
29	**A** automatic	**B** unique	**C** sudden	**D** complicated
30	**A** research	**B** experiment	**C** effect	**D** lack
31	**A** to	**B** in	**C** on	**D** at
32	**A** decrease	**B** involve	**C** lack	**D** estimate

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OXFORD

Some people say that Oxford is the most attractive city in England. Whether this is (23) _____ or not, it is certainly worth a visit. It is also ideal for a day (24) _____ from London, as there are regular trains and buses at fifteen-minute (25) _____ which only take about an hour to get there.

You should (26) _____ plenty of time to visit Oxford's unique and varied range of historic attractions. What is probably of most (27) _____ to the visitor is the famous University with its different colleges. You can (28) _____ several of these elegant historic buildings in a day, as the majority of them are (29) _____ walking distance of one another. Many of the oldest and most remarkable colleges are certainly (30) _____, and most are open to visitors in the afternoon. It is a good idea to check before visiting, (31) _____, as opening days and times vary.

The two rivers that (32) _____ through the city are another major attraction for residents and tourists alike. Both the Thames and the Cherwell rivers are lined with lush green vegetation, and a stroll along their banks or a leisurely boat ride is the perfect way to round off a day of sightseeing.

23	**A** real	**B** genuine	**C** honest	**D** true
24	**A** trip	**B** travel	**C** journey	**D** voyage
25	**A** gaps	**B** breaks	**C** intervals	**D** spaces
26	**A** allow	**B** permit	**C** agree	**D** let
27	**A** attention	**B** notice	**C** interest	**D** curiosity
28	**A** look around	**B** see through	**C** find out	**D** check up
29	**A** inside	**B** under	**C** within	**D** beneath
30	**A** placed	**B** located	**C** addressed	**D** positioned
31	**A** yet	**B** despite	**C** however	**D** although
32	**A** flow	**B** move	**C** pour	**D** lead

LIVEWORKSHEETS

Read and complete the text below. For each of the empty space (23–32) choose the correct answer (A, B, C or D).

WHAT IS HEALTHY FOOD?

We all know that eating too much junk food is bad for our health, but did you know that eating some kinds of health foods could be just as bad for you?

Michel Simon, who (23) _____ the Centre for Informed Food Choices in the USA, says there are sugary sports drinks that are as unhealthy as cola. 'These drinks may be (24)_____ for marathon runners, but for kids doing ordinary exercise, they may end up doing more (25) _____ than good.'

Breakfast cereals, which of course are very (26) _____ with kids, have also been criticized. Whilst they are often high in fibre, some of them (27) _____ a lot more sugar and salt than you would expect. In addition, some of the foods we have (28) _____ to know as 'health snacks' have also been added to the black (29) _____ . Although they look and sound nutritious, in most (30) _____ they are much tastier than they are healthy for you. For example, some types of dried fruit were (31) _____ to have more fat and sugar than the fruit they were (32) _____ from.

23	**A** arranged	**B** invented	**C** constructed	**D** founded
24	**A** precious	**B** worthy	**C** beneficial	**D** valuable
25	**A** loss	**B** injury	**C** harm	**D** damage
26	**A** common	**B** known	**C** popular	**D** famous
27	**A** involve	**B** contain	**C** consist	**D** include
28	**A** come	**B** started	**C** brought	**D** arrived
29	**A** guide	**B** account	**C** column	**D** list
30	**A** cases	**B** purposes	**C** occasions	**D** situations
31	**A** searched	**B** found	**C** discovered	**D** realized
32	**A** produced	**B** created	**C** formed	**D** developed

Read the text below. For questions (23–32) choose the correct answer (A, B, C, or D).

PAMELA'S SCHOOL

When Pamela Jarrett left university to become a primary school teacher, it was by no (23) _____ easy to find a job. She therefore decided to go abroad as a volunteer teacher for a year. When she realised she would be teaching deaf and blind children, she was a (24) _____ taken aback. But after a month's training she felt more confident that she would be able to (25) _____ with the situation.

The basic living conditions also (26) _____ as something of a shock. Pamela's school was situated in a remote Ethiopian village, where her accommodation (27) _____ of one room and a shared bathroom. Not only was the space cramped, (28) _____ there was no electricity, Internet or telephone access, so she felt totally cut (29) _____ from the outside world.

Now back home in Britain, Pamela has used her (30) _____ experience to set up a similar school. The specialised help she offers to the deaf and blind has made a huge (31) _____ to dozens of children who would (32) _____ find themselves struggling to learn.

23	**A** means	**B** way	**C** account	**D** extent
24	**A** somewhat	**B** quite	**C** rather	**D** little
25	**A** handle	**B** manage	**C** cope	**D** succeed
26	**A** appeared	**B** proved	**C** arrived	**D** came
27	**A** consisted	**B** contained	**C** composed	**D** combined
28	**A** and	**B** also	**C** then	**D** but
29	**A** out	**B** down	**C** off	**D** away
30	**A** priceless	**B** valuable	**C** worthy	**D** precious
31	**A** change	**B** difference	**C** transformation	**D** contrast
32	**A** otherwise	**B** besides	**C** alternativel	**D** instead

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