

B1 PET Test #13 - Reading

Quiz ID: 5137

Question 1 (Question ID: 99-25384)

Choose the correct answer that goes with this text.



- A. Ruth has kept to her plan despite the change in the weather.
- B. Ruth may not visit the coast if the bad weather continues.
- C. Ruth intends to leave the mountains early to visit the coast.

Question 2 (Question ID: 99-25480)

Choose the correct answer that goes with this text.



- A. Use this button to call hotel staff if you cannot get in.
- B. If you cannot lock the door, please contact hotel reception.
- C. Press this button to unlock the entrance door.

Question 3 (Question ID: 99-25285)

Choose the correct answer that goes with this text.



- A. This shop will sell customers' watches within twelve months.
- B. This shop will keep customers' watches for up to twelve months.
- C. This shop will look after customers' watches for more than twelve months.

Question 4 (Question ID: 99-25286)

Choose the correct answer that goes with this text.

Philippe,

Couldn't wait any longer, didn't want to miss the start of the match! Problem at work? Here's your ticket – see you at the stadium.

Stefano

- A. Philippe and Stefano missed each other at the stadium.
- B. Stefano had to leave without Philippe to get to work.
- C. Stefano has given up waiting for Philippe to arrive.

Question 5 (Question ID: 99-25287)

Choose the correct answer that goes with this text.

PARENTS:

Complete and return your child's form for next month's school trip by Friday

- A. Parents must return forms this week if their child is going on Friday's trip.
- B. Parents cannot go on next month's trip unless they return their forms by Friday.
- C. The last day for returning completed forms for the trip is Friday.

Read the following descriptions of eight hotels for people wanting to stay.

Hotels

A. The Salisbury Hotel

This is a top hotel with a health club, swimming pool, shops, and a fully-equipped business center. Within the hotel are three international restaurants, one with a French chef. The hotel is conveniently located close to the motorway, though airport users should allow plenty of time because traffic is usually heavy.

B. The Cumberland Hotel

This hotel is well placed for sightseeing on a busy city street, in a district which is full of interesting shops. Rooms are expensive but comfortable and the hotel serves excellent food, typical of the area. A piano player entertains guests every night in the bar.

C. The Rathmore Hotel

This hotel offers good value accommodation, with wonderful English food in the restaurant. The hotel is well-known for its small orchestra which plays while guests have dinner. It is on the eastern edge of the city but special sightseeing buses are available to take guests into the center (the trip takes over an hour in traffic).

D. The Russell Hotel

This hotel is close to the airport and has quiet, comfortable rooms. However, the journey to the city center can take time, and prices are above average. Delicious local food is served in the restaurant, and its conference rooms and business facilities are excellent. The hotel is surrounded by woodland, offers a golf course, and there are pleasant walks around the nearby lake.

E. The newly-built Aviemore Hotel

This hotel is small but in the center of the city's cinema, restaurant and nightclub district. Rooms are clean, comfortable and reasonably priced, although the food is rather basic. There is an electronic games arcade in the hotel.

F. The Padnal Hotel

This is an older hotel in the heart of the city, with ground-floor rooms opening onto a country-style garden. Prices are reasonable. There are a sports center and a small cinema and a nightclub. A band performs every evening in the hotel restaurant, where excellent French food is served. Airport buses pick up from the hotel.

G. The Westmore Hotel

This hotel is in beautiful countryside to the east of the city. It is peaceful and inexpensive, although the accommodation is basic. There are opportunities nearby for sailing and diving, and a lot of interesting routes to explore on foot.

H. The Grange Hotel

Although the prices at the Grange Hotel are higher than at many city-centre hotels, it has a lot to offer. It shares a modern complex with nightclubs, cinemas, shops and conference facilities, 20 kilometres west of the centre. Trains run from the nearby railway station to the city centre and the airport, although journeys can take up to an hour.

Question 6 (Question ID: 99-1091226)

The people below are all visiting the same city in Britain and want to find a suitable hotel. Decide which hotel would be the most suitable for each person.

06.1.....

Stephen is looking for a top-quality hotel which is convenient for the airport, to hold a meeting with visiting German publishers. They will stay overnight and want to take some exercise outdoors after the meeting.

Q6.2.....

Karl and Monika want to stay in the city centre overnight at a hotel offering good local food. The next morning, they plan to see the main sights. They are not worried about the cost of the hotel.

Q6.3.....

James and Denise want a modern, medium-priced hotel in the city, but will eat out during their stay. They also want to see some films in the evenings, somewhere near their hotel.

Q6.4.....

David and Katrina have just started work after leaving college and haven't got much money, so they want a reasonably priced hotel. They like country walks and water sports.

06.5.....

Sue and Belinda want to stay somewhere in the city centre that offers a variety of evening entertainment within the hotel, including live music.

- Q6.1.** A. The Salisbury Hotel B. The Cumberland Hotel C. The Rathmore Hotel D. The Russell Hotel
- E. The newly-built Aviemore Hotel
- F. The Padnal Hotel G. The Westmore Hotel H. The Grange Hotel

- Q6.2.**
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| A. The Salisbury Hotel | B. The Cumberland Hotel | C. The Rathmore Hotel | D. The Russell Hotel |
| | | | E. The newly-built Aviemore Hotel |
| F. The Padnal Hotel | G. The Westmore Hotel | H. The Grange Hotel | |

- Q6.3.**
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| | | | E. The newly-built Aviemore Hotel |
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- Q6.4.** A. The Salisbury B. The Cumberland C. The Rathmore D. The Russell

	Hotel	Hotel	Hotel	E. The newly-built Aviemore Hotel
	F. The Padnal Hotel	G. The Westmore Hotel	H. The Grange Hotel	
Q6.5.	A. The Salisbury Hotel	B. The Cumberland Hotel	C. The Rathmore Hotel	D. The Russell Hotel E. The newly-built Aviemore Hotel
	F. The Padnal Hotel	G. The Westmore Hotel	H. The Grange Hotel	

Read the text and answer the questions below.

Orbis is an organization which helps blind people everywhere. It has built an eye hospital inside an aeroplane and flown it all over the world with an international medical team. Samantha Graham, a fourteen-year-old schoolgirl from England, went with the plane to Mongolia. Samantha tells the story of Eukhtuul, a young Mongolian girl.

'Last year, when Eukhtuul was walking home from school, she was attacked by boys with sticks and her eyes were badly damaged. Dr Duffey, an Orbis doctor, said that without an operation she would never see again. I thought about all the everyday things I do that she couldn't, things like reading schoolbooks, watching television, seeing friends, and I realized how lucky I am.'

'The Orbis team agreed to operate on Eukhtuul and I was allowed to watch, together with some Mongolian medical students. I prayed the operation would be successful. The next day I waited nervously with Eukhtuul while Dr Duffey removed her bandages. "In six months your sight will be back to normal," he said. Eukhtuul smiled, her mother cried, and I had to wipe away some tears, too!'

'Now Eukhtuul wants to study hard to become a doctor. Her whole future has changed, thanks to simple operation. We should all think more about how much our sight means to us.'

Question 7 (Question ID: 99-25830)

What is the writer's main purpose in writing this text?

- A. to describe a dangerous trip
- B. to report a patient's cure
- C. to explain how sight can be lost
- D. to warn against playing with sticks

Question 8 (Question ID: 99-25831)

What can a reader learn about in this text?

- A. the life of schoolchildren in Mongolia
- B. the difficulties for blind travellers
- C. the international work of some eye doctors
- D. the best way of studying medicine

Question 9 (Question ID: 99-25832)

After meeting Eukhtuul, Samantha felt ____.

- A. grateful for her own sight
- B. proud of the doctor's skill
- C. surprised by Eukhtuul's courage
- D. angry about Eukhtuul's experience

Question 10 (Question ID: 99-25833)

What is the result of Eukhtuul's operation?

- A. She can already see perfectly again.
- B. After some time she will see as well as before.
- C. She can see better but will never have normal eyes.
- D. Before she recovers, she will need another operation.

Question 11 (Question ID: 99-25834)

Which is the postcard Samantha wrote to an English friend?

- A. I've visited a Mongolian hospital and watched local doctors do an operation.
- B. You may have to fly a long way to have the operation you need, but the journey will be worth it.
- C. I'm staying with my friend, Eukhtuul, while I'm sightseeing in Mongolia.
- D. Make sure you take care of your eyes because they're more valuable than you realize!

You are going to read an article about an environmental campaigner. Five sentences have been removed from the article. Choose the sentence (A - G) which fits each gap. You do not need to use all the letters.

- A.** I also tell them that it saves money and avoids breaking the law.
- B.** I decided to have these conversations on a regular basis after that.
- C.** I find this fact always takes my victims by surprise.
- D.** I went home and checked this out.
- E.** It's not the sort of mistake that you make twice.
- F.** I try not to get affected emotionally if drivers respond in this way.
- G.** They don't know what I am saying.

Question 12 (Question ID: 99-170148)

Would you turn off your engine, please?

I was walking around my neighborhood in New York one spring evening two years ago when I came across a stretch limousine parked outside a restaurant. The driver's clients were inside having dinner, and he had his engine running while he waited. It really bothered me. He was polluting the air we breathe as well as wasting huge amounts of fuel, so I knocked on the driver's window.

I explained to him that he didn't need to waste his boss's money or pollute our air. I addressed the issues politely and, after a ten-minute chat, he agreed to shut off" the engine. I felt empowered - I could make a difference in our environment. Q12.1..... So whenever I see a driver sitting with the car engine running, I go over and talk to him or her.

Six months later, I talked to a guy who turned out to be an undercover police officer. He told me he wouldn't turn off his engine because he was on a job, but asked me if I knew there was actually a law against engine idling, as it's called. Q12.2..... Sure enough, under New York City's traffic laws, you could be fined up to \$2,000 for engine idling for more than three minutes.

I had small business cards printed up that referred to the relevant law on one side and the penalties on the other, and started to hand them out to idlers. I've been distributing them in this way ever since. It's surprising how many people are unaware that they could get a fine. That's why I start my encounters the same way every time.

I say: 'Excuse me for bothering you, but are you aware that it is against the law in New York City to idle your car for more than three minutes? Q12.3..... They want to know who I am, am I a cop? I tell them that I'm just a concerned citizen and want to make sure we improve our environment and address our oil addiction.

We usually have a discussion and I always try to conclude the encounter on a positive and polite note, saying how great it would be if they shut off their engine so we can all have a better environment. Q12.4..... Most are convinced by these arguments. Indeed, I'm successful seventy-eight percent of the time. Although, of course, there are people who are aggressive or who won't do it. My success rate with cops is only five percent.

I keep an Excel spreadsheet so that I have a precise record of each of my encounters. If I get an aggressive reaction, I list their comments and highlight them in red. Q12.5..... I don't give up, however, and try to approach them professionally. But my feelings do get hurt on occasion. Then I remind myself that because I make the first approach, I'm actually the aggressor in this situation. My victims are just sitting there thinking; 'Who is this guy?'

To date, I have had 2,500 encounters and, overall, I have made a difference. I'm in touch with the Department of Energy in Washington and my work is endorsed by the American Lung Association. And recently a New York traffic cop wrote the city's very first ticker for idling.

Question 13 (Question ID: 99-25645)

Read the text below and decide which answer best fits each gap.

Taking photographs ruins the memory, research finds

Our obsession with recording every detail of our happiest moments could negatively Q13.1..... our ability to remember them, according to new research.

Dr. Linda Henkel, from Fairfield University, Connecticut, described this as the ‘photo-taking impairment effect’. She said, ‘People often whip out their cameras almost mindlessly to capture a moment, to the point that they are missing what is happening Q13.2..... in front of them. When people rely on technology to remember for them – Q13.3..... on the camera to record the event and thus not needing to attend to it fully themselves – it can have a negative Q13.4..... on how well they remember their experiences.’

In Dr. Henkel’s experiment, a group of university students was led on a tour of a museum and asked to either photograph or try to remember objects on display. The next day each student’s memory was tested. The results showed that people were less Q13.5..... in recognizing the objects they had photographed Q13.6..... with those they had only looked at.

Q13.1. A. make B. respect C. affect D. benefit

Q13.2. A. merely B. barely C. right D. quite

Q13.3. A. swearing B. counting C. settling D. assuming

Q13.4. A. result B. impact C. reflection D. factor

Q13.5. A. negative B. factual C. accurate D. faithful

Q13.6. A. matched B. measured C. confronted D. compared

Question 14 (Question ID: 99-153242)

Fill in each of the blanks with one suitable word.

Every year, eight million children across the United States spend more some time at a summer camp. For more than a century, children have enjoyed both learning new skills and Q14.1..... part in a variety of activities in a friendly environment.

There are 10,000 camps across the country, which are designed to look Q14.2..... youngsters from the age of 6 to 18. The camps, Q14.3..... anything from 1 to 8 weeks, are often situated in beautiful lakeside areas and there is a wide range of prices to suit every pocket. The children typically do outdoor Q14.4....., including some challenging sports like climbing, or indoor activities such as drama, music or poetry. Q14.5..... the camps are not luxurious, the wooden cabins the young people sleep in are comfortable. The timetable does not allow very much time for relaxing because the children are kept busy all the time. The camps are popular with the children and many come away full of enthusiasm. In the words of one former camper, ‘I made a lot of friends, was never on my Q14.6....., and became a lot more self-confident.’