

B1 PET Test #16 - Reading

Quiz ID: 5412

Question 1 (Question ID: 99-182089)

Choose the correct answer that goes with this text.

Sports Hall
Don't leave clothes in lockers
overnight. Keys for lockers
available at reception desk.

- A. You must remove your clothes from the lockers by the end of the day.
- B. You mustn't leave keys in the lockers after taking your clothes out.
- C. Any clothes left overnight can be collected from the reception desk.

Question 2 (Question ID: 99-182090)

Choose the correct answer that goes with this text.

To: John
From: Saskia
Anna's going to book the hotel tonight for our holiday. She wants you to send her £50 as she has to pay a deposit. Ring her if that's a problem.

Saskia wants John to

- A. let Anna know if he isn't able to give her £50.
- B. tell Anna if he doesn't want to go to the hotel.
- C. send the deposit to the hotel for Anna.

Question 3 (Question ID: 99-182091)

Choose the correct answer that goes with this text.

Go to desk in corner for concert
tickets already paid for.
Do not queue here.

- A. There are still some tickets available at the desk in the corner.
- B. You shouldn't queue here if you've paid for your ticket in advance.
- C. You should go to the desk in the corner to pay for your ticket.

Question 4 (Question ID: 99-182088)

Choose the correct answer that goes with this text.

**From tomorrow, buses
will depart every 10
minutes instead of every
20 minutes.**

- A. Buses will leave ten minutes earlier tomorrow.
- B. Until tomorrow, bus journeys will take ten minutes longer.
- C. After today, there will be more buses than before.

Question 5 (Question ID: 99-182424)

Choose the correct answer that goes with this text.

Samir
Josh rang to say tickets are still available
for the Helix concert – you're not too late!
He's able to get you a ticket. Let him know
today if you're interested.
Alex

What must Samir do?

- A. find out if Josh is interested in going to the concert.
- B. let Josh know if tickets are available for the concert.
- C. contact Josh if he wants to go to the concert.

Read the following descriptions of eight places for people wanting to eat.

A. The Olive Tree is an Italian restaurant with a beautiful view across the valley but it's fairly expensive. It has a car park and a large room for groups but no garden. Open lunchtimes Thursday - Sunday and every evening except Mondays and Tuesdays.

B. Peppers is in a country park just two kilometres from the city centre and looks over a lovely lake. It's usually popular with families as there's play equipment in the garden. The nearest car park is 20 minutes' walk away. It serves mainly French and Italian dishes and isn't expensive. Open at weekends (lunchtimes and evenings).

C. The Dragon is just off the city's Market Square so it is usually difficult to park. There's a sunny area at the back with tables. The food is excellent but expensive. It offers a wide range of Chinese dishes including meat, fish and vegetarian choices and the menu is never the same. Open lunchtimes Monday - Friday and evenings at weekends.

D. The Paprika in the city centre serves wonderful Indian food but is small so there isn't space for large groups. It's often busy but the food always tastes delicious and it isn't expensive. There are a few tables outside and a small car park. Open every evening.

E. O'Brady's is just outside the city centre by the river with a car park at the front and a large back garden with tables and swings. It's well known for its traditional British dishes which are good value. The service is sometimes slow at weekends. Open lunchtimes and evenings except Tuesdays.

F. Gabrielle's is in the city centre and has a large car park. Both the food and service are excellent. There aren't many tables so everyone is served quickly. The menu includes many vegetarian and fish dishes. It's expensive however. Open every evening and lunchtimes at weekends.

G. Waltons is by the canal just outside the city so is especially popular with walkers in summer. It serves mainly inexpensive Italian dishes. There's a small garden at the back for children to play in but no car park. Open from five till midnight every day.

H. The Atrium is a restaurant which is rarely quiet even in the middle of the afternoon. It's beside the city's main car park. There's a large room upstairs which can be booked by groups. The menu has a range of dishes including meat, fish and vegetarian and none are expensive. Open from midday to midnight every day.

Question 6 (Question ID: 99-1091260)

The people below all want to go to a restaurant. Decide which restaurants would be the most suitable for each person.

Q6.1.....

Carolina and Greta enjoy eating Italian food but they don't have much money. On Sunday lunchtime they want to walk from the city centre to a restaurant with a nice view.

Q6.2.....

Dennis and Jennifer want to drive to a quiet restaurant on Tuesday evening. They both love fish. They don't mind how much they spend but they hate waiting for their food.

Q6.3.....

Rena has three young children and she wants to take them out for lunch on Thursday. She needs to park her car at the restaurant. The children enjoy playing outside when they get bored.

Q6.4.....

Chloe often has lunch with her mother on Fridays in the city centre. They like eating outside and the cost isn't important. They walk or take a taxi.

Q6.5.....

Michael wants to go out with twenty friends in the city centre on Saturday evening. They don't want to spend too much. Some of his friends never eat meat. They'll drive to the restaurant.

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| Q6.1. | A. The Olive Tree | B. Peppers | C. The Dragon | D. The Paprika |
| | E. O'Brady's | F. Gabrielle's | G. Waltons | H. The Atrium |
| Q6.2. | A. The Olive Tree | B. Peppers | C. The Dragon | D. The Paprika |
| | E. O'Brady's | F. Gabrielle's | G. Waltons | H. The Atrium |
| Q6.3. | A. The Olive Tree | B. Peppers | C. The Dragon | D. The Paprika |
| | E. O'Brady's | F. Gabrielle's | G. Waltons | H. The Atrium |
| Q6.4. | A. The Olive Tree | B. Peppers | C. The Dragon | D. The Paprika |
| | E. O'Brady's | F. Gabrielle's | G. Waltons | H. The Atrium |
| Q6.5. | A. The Olive Tree | B. Peppers | C. The Dragon | D. The Paprika |
| | E. O'Brady's | F. Gabrielle's | G. Waltons | H. The Atrium |

Read the text and questions below. For each question, choose the correct answer.

A musical evening

Last night I went to see "Bennie", the musical which has just opened in the Albert Theatre in London.

There is of course already both a film and a book called 'Bennie', about a child who becomes a famous singer. I enjoyed the book so I was excited when I heard about the film. I was disappointed, however, when I finally saw it because unfortunately, they managed to make all the amusing parts of the book seem serious. It was also long and slow. I came to the musical without much hope but it was more entertaining than the film. They've had to change parts of the story but I really thought it was as good as the book.

Apart from one actor whose voice isn't as strong as the others, I thought the acting was brilliant. Although the orchestra isn't very large, the music was perfect. I especially liked the piano and drums. Most of the parts in musicals I've seen recently have been for young actors. In several, as in "Bennie", the main part is for a child. I was surprised, therefore, when I realized at one point that three-quarters of the people on stage were at least 40 or over and some of them are very well known. This is a great advantage to the production.

I noticed that quite a few people didn't buy the program. The main complaint was that it was too expensive at £4. While it costs more than most programs, it was worth it. I didn't have time to read it all in the interval as it's huge and full of details but it's a lovely souvenir to take home.

(Adapted from PET Practice Test Plus 2)

Question 7 (Question ID: 99-182224)

What is the writer trying to do?

- A. say what happened in a musical
- B. explain the reasons why a musical was written
- C. suggest improvements that could be made to a musical
- D. write a review of a musical

Question 8 (Question ID: 99-182225)

How did the writer feel about the film "Bennie"?

- A. It was as bad as he had expected.
- B. It wasn't as funny as the book.
- C. It needed to be longer.
- D. It didn't follow the story closely enough.

Question 9 (Question ID: 99-182226)

How is the musical "Bennie" different from other recent musicals?

- A. The actors are older.
- B. It has a very young star.
- C. The orchestra is bigger.
- D. It has more actors in it.

Question 10 (Question ID: 99-182227)

What does the writer think of the program he bought?

- A. He recommends it.
- B. It cost too much.
- C. He complained about it.
- D. It contains too little information.

Question 11 (Question ID: 99-182228)

Which of these sentences appeared at the top of the text?

- A. Journalist Jack Whittaker was pleased to have the chance to see one of the last performances of "Bennie".
- B. Journalist Jack Whittaker watched the musical "Bennie", which is soon to be made into a film.
- C. Journalist Jack Whittaker went to see "Bennie", the musical based on a book of the same name.
- D. Journalist Jack Whittaker spent an evening watching "Bennie", the musical which has made its actors famous.

You are going to read an article about tropical rainforest. 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. The Amazon covers 1.2 billion acres or almost five million square kilometers.
- B. Some of these drugs are even used to fight and cure cancer.
- C. It is hot and humid in a rainforest.
- D. The weather in the rainforest is extremely cold.
- E. One-fifth of the world's freshwater is also found in the Amazon Rainforest.
- F. Destruction of rainforests results in more pollution, less rain, and less oxygen for the world.
- G. However, it doesn't have any effect on our lives.

Question 12 (Question ID: 99-188054)

Have you ever entered a tropical rainforest? It's a special, dark place completely different from anywhere else. A rainforest is a place where the trees grow very tall. Millions of kinds of animals, insects, and plants live in the rainforest. Q12.1..... It rains a lot in the rainforest, but sometimes you don't know it's raining. The trees grow so closely together that rain doesn't always reach the ground.

Rainforests make up only a small part of the Earth's surface, about six percent. They are found in tropical parts of the world. The largest rainforest in the world is the Amazon in South America. Q12.2..... The second-largest rainforest is in Western Africa. There are also rainforests in Central America, Southeast Asia, Northeast Australia, and the Pacific Islands.

Rainforests provide us with many things. In fact, the Amazon Rainforest is called the "lungs of our planet" because it produces twenty percent of the world's oxygen. Q12.3..... Furthermore, one-half of the world's species of animals, plants, and insects live in the Earth's rainforests. Eighty percent of the food we eat first grew in the rainforest. For example, pineapples, bananas, tomatoes, corn, potatoes, chocolate, coffee, and sugar all came from rainforests. Twenty-five percent of the drugs we take when we are sick is made of plants that grow only in rainforests. Q12.4..... With all the good things we get from rainforests, it's surprising to find that we are destroying our rainforests. In fact, 1.5 acres, or 6,000 square meters, of rainforest disappear every second. The forests are being cut down to make fields for cows, to harvest the plants, and to clear land for farms. Along with losing countless valuable species, the destruction of rainforests creates many problems worldwide. Q12.5.....

Question 13 (Question ID: 99-182813)

Read the text and choose the best answer to fill in the blanks.

Levi Strauss

In 1853, Levi Strauss (0) travelled to San Francisco from New York. His brothers Q13.1..... a business there selling pillows, blankets and clothes and Levi went to help them. He worked Q13.2..... and, over the next twenty years, he expanded the business.

One day in 1872, Levi Q13.3..... a letter from Jacob Davis who made men's clothes. In the letter Jacob Q13.4..... Levi about a difficult customer. He kept Q13.5..... tearing the pockets of his trousers. Jacob had found an answer - he had added some metal to the corners of the pockets. Levi recognised a business opportunity Q13.6..... the two men started working together. They decided to make some trousers out of denim, a material which was suitable for working clothes. The first pair of denim blue jeans was produced in 1873. Today people all around the world wear Levi jeans every day.

(Adapted from PET Practice Test Plus 2)

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| Q13.1. | A. commanded | B. ran | C. controlled | D. influenced |
| Q13.2. | A. hard | B. strong | C. long | D. heavy |
| Q13.3. | A. fetched | B. realised | C. got | D. gave |
| Q13.4. | A. discussed | B. said | C. told | D. described |
| Q13.5. | A. up | B. at | C. on | D. in |
| Q13.6. | A. while | B. but | C. since | D. so |

Question 14 (Question ID: 99-188123)

Fill in each blank with one suitable word.

The road to success

I have always wanted to know how a person becomes a world-class athlete. Eddie, my good friend, Q14.1..... father was an Olympic runner many years ago, decided to find out with me.

We went to our local gym where they have classes and offer private training. I decided not to put it off any longer and I signed up right on the spot! I was more or less Q14.2..... shape, but I needed to work Q14.3..... with a trainer regularly. Because of my school schedule, my trainer, Andy, said he could come over to my house after school most days, provided Q14.4..... I came to the gym at weekends. That sounded great! Eddie didn't need so much help. He takes after his dad and is a natural athlete.

After a while, I began to feel it doing me good. I know that I should Q14.5..... done it a long time before, but at least now I was finally getting really fit. If I had started sooner, then perhaps I would have become an international athlete. In Q14.6..... to do that, though, you really need to start very young, and I'm afraid I left it a little too late.