

B1 PET Test #26 - Reading

Quiz ID: 6315

Question 1 (Question ID: 99-179095)

Choose the correct answer that goes with this text.

**ANY LOST PROPERTY
LEFT HERE AFTER
TWO WEEKS IS SOLD**

- A. We give lost property away if it is not collected after two weeks.
- B. We will look after your property for two weeks if you pay a fee.
- C. We keep things people have lost for a maximum of two weeks.

Question 2 (Question ID: 99-182987)

Choose the correct answer that goes with this text.

Fiona

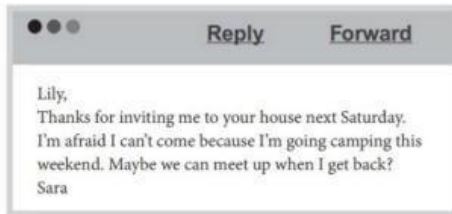
Jack rang. He can't contact Georgia. Has she changed her phone number? If she has a new one, can you let him have it?

Jack rang because ____.

- A. he wants Fiona to ring Georgia for him
- B. he isn't sure of Georgia's phone number
- C. he can't remember the number Georgia gave him

Question 3 (Question ID: 99-190653)

Choose the correct answer that goes with this text.



Why has Sara sent an email?

- A. To accept Lily's invitation
- B. To ask Lily to go camping
- C. To make an apology to Lily

Question 4 (Question ID: 99-199181)

Choose the correct answer that goes with this text.

James,
Have bought some sugar for
your biscuits (butter in
fridge). Sorry, forgot the flour
- get more at Mullin's. Turn
oven off afterwards!
Mum

To make biscuits, James needs to buy ____.

- A. butter
- B. flour
- C. sugar

Question 5 (Question ID: 99-211715)

Choose the correct answer that goes with this text.



- A. There is a maximum charge of \$5.00 to use the internet.
- B. You can use the internet for up to four hours at a time.
- C. If you wish to use the internet for more than 45 minutes speak to Ziggy.

Read the following descriptions of eight museums for people wanting to visit.

A. Most of the machines in this interesting museum are indoors, but some of the larger farming equipment is outside. A lot of the machines still work and you can try using them. It is especially suitable for school groups and families and is open Monday to Saturday from 10 a.m. till 6 p.m.

B. This museum changes its exhibitions regularly. At the moment it is showing paintings by artists who all live in the area. The excellent bookshop and cafe are above the gallery. The cafe is open for lunch from 12 till 2.30, and the gallery and bookshop from 11 till 6 every day.

C. The Kington area was once very important industrially, and this museum tells the history of the local industries of shipbuilding and pottery. There is a large car park at the front and a playground at the back. The museum is open Monday-Friday 10-5.

D. All the exhibits in this attractive little museum were produced in the region over the last 100 years. There is a good range of jewellery, clothes and pictures for sale, all produced in Kington. The museum is open Thursday-Sunday from 2 p.m till 9 p.m and the tearoom from 2 p.m. till 5 p.m.

E. The best art collection in the area is here, and there is a separate room for each century, including a small one for twentieth-century paintings. There is a shop selling posters, postcards and cards. The coffee shop is open for lunch and afternoon tea from midday Tuesday-Saturday. The museum is open from 11 a.m. till 7 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday.

F. This museum shows family life in Kington during the twentieth century. There are rooms furnished exactly as they were in 1920, 1940 and 1960, a 1920s garage and two shops - a 1950s general store and a 1930s jeweller's. There is a large playground outside. Open every day from 10 a.m. till 6 p.m.

G. There was a village on this site 500 years ago and it is now completely rebuilt. You can walk around the fields and along the paths to see how people lived and worked all those years ago. There is a car park and a large playground. Open every day from 9 a.m. till 5.30 p.m.

H. This museum is very small but is full of interesting objects, including jewellery, weapons, pottery, cooking equipment and other household items. They were all found on an ancient site outside the town and they are all over 1,000 years old. The museum is open on Saturdays and Sundays only.

Question 6 (Question ID: 99-1091380)

The people below all want to visit a museum in the Kington area. Decide which museum would be the most suitable for each person.

Q6.1.....

Tina is going to art college soon. She wants to spend an afternoon looking at some modern art. She would like to have lunch and buy some art books.

Q6.2.....

Karen needs to buy a special present for a friend and wants to get her some jewellery or pottery made locally. She can only go shopping after five o'clock in the evening.

Q6.3.....

Stefan has just moved to Kington. He would like to find out more about life in the area over the last hundred years. He is only free on Saturdays.

Q6.4.....

Gareth and Sue want to spend Sunday outdoors. Their children want to learn about how people used to live in the past. The family are looking for somewhere which has a playground.

Q6.5.....

Jack is studying art and is particularly interested in the development of painting over the last three hundred years. He is free every afternoon and would like to stop and have a snack in the museum.

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| Q6.1. | A. H | B. E | C. A | D. G |
| | E. C | F. F | G. D | H. B |
| Q6.2. | A. G | B. C | C. A | D. D |
| | E. B | F. H | G. E | H. F |
| Q6.3. | A. G | B. D | C. C | D. B |
| | E. A | F. E | G. F | H. H |
| Q6.4. | A. H | B. F | C. C | D. B |
| | E. G | F. D | G. A | H. E |
| Q6.5. | A. F | B. B | C. G | D. E |
| | E. C | F. H | G. D | H. A |

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

When musician Colin Baker won five hundred thousand pounds in a competition, it seemed the answer to his dreams. Almost immediately, he bought a house and made his own CD recording of some classical music. He intended to save the rest of his money and retire, even though he was only in his late forties.

Then he saw a violin in a shop. It was of such high quality that even top professional players are rarely able to afford one like it. "I'd never felt money was important until then," he explained. "Even with the money I'd won, I wasn't sure I could afford to buy the violin, so I started to leave the shop. Then I thought I'd just try it, and I fell in love with the beautiful sound it made. I knew it was perfect both for live concerts and for recordings."

Now all the money has gone. "My wife can't have the study room I promised her, and I can't retire," says Colin, "but it doesn't matter." His wife says, "I sometimes wish he was more responsible with money, but I'm still pleased for him. I've always helped him in his career, as he's helped me, by sharing everything. We weren't unhappy with our jobs, so we didn't really need the money to escape, and although Colin considered retiring, I know he wouldn't be happy doing that - he loves music too much. I think he did the right thing."

(Adapted from EXAM EXTRA PET)

Question 7 (Question ID: 99-199206)

What is the writer trying to do in the text?

- A. To advise musicians to enter competitions
- B. To explain why someone spent a lot of money
- C. To describe how someone got a CD recorded
- D. To persuade people to prepare for retirement

Question 8 (Question ID: 99-199207)

What can a reader learn from the text?

- A. how one man's dream ended unhappily
- B. how much was paid for a special violin
- C. how one couple support each other
- D. how much money musicians need for their music

Question 9 (Question ID: 99-199208)

What does Colin's wife say about what he did?

- A. She wishes he had used the money differently.
- B. She feels she didn't really benefit from the money.
- C. She is sorry she has lost her study room.
- D. She accepts the decision that he made.

Question 10 (Question ID: 99-199209)

When Colin first found the violin, he thought _____.

- A. he might not have enough money to buy it
- B. he should not spend all of his money on it
- C. he was not a good enough player to own it
- D. he could not leave the shop without it

Question 11 (Question ID: 99-199210)

What did a local newspaper say about Colin's story?

- A. A well-known record company has asked a local musician to record a CD after winning a competition.
- B. A local musician today announced he would spend every penny of the money he'd won in a competition.
- C. A concert audience heard a local musician give a brilliant performance last night on the violin he'd won in a competition.
- D. A local musician has decided to continue his career in music in spite of winning some money in a competition.

Five sentences have been removed from the text below.

For each question, choose the correct answer from A-H. There are three extra sentences that you do not need to use.

- A. Everybody was trying to put out the fire.
- B. The baker was able to put out the fire with a bucket of water,
- C. They escaped by climbing out of the window and jumping to the ground.
- D. He made the firemen cups of tea and sandwiches.
- E. This didn't stop it, but it did slow it down a lot.
- F. The fire went from house to house very quickly and the firemen had trouble controlling it.
- G. The people caught buses to get out of London.
- H. People say that, in a way, the fire did London some good, too.

Question 12 (Question ID: 99-214380)

The Great Fire Of London

This week we're doing a project at school about London. Over 350 years ago, London suffered a terrible event. On the 2nd September 1666, a baker was making bread and cakes for the next day. It was one o'clock in the morning when a very small piece of burning wood came out of the oven and set fire to the building. In those days, as all buildings were made of wood, the fire moved very quickly. There was a family living above the bakery who couldn't get out down the stairs.

Q12.1..... Besides being made of wood, the houses were also built very close together. They were almost touching each other. Q12.2..... But this was not the only problem. It hadn't rained for two months, everywhere was dry and strong winds blew across London.

Two days after the fire started, half of London was on fire. Q12.3..... Even the king came out to help the firemen. The fire destroyed important buildings, including the famous St Paul's Cathedral. It was very lucky that the Tower of London escaped the fire. In an attempt to stop the fire, the firemen destroyed many buildings to create a big gap across which the fire couldn't travel.

Q12.4..... By the 6th of September the fire had been put out. London had burned for almost five days. Only 20 percent of London was not burnt but hundreds of thousands of people were left without homes. It was amazing that only six people died in this terrible event.

Q12.5..... Just before the fire, there had been a horrible disease which was killing lots of people. The fire destroyed the disease. Architects helped to rebuild London and built wider streets so a new fire couldn't move quickly.

(Adapted from Simply PET Preliminary for School)

Question 13 (Question ID: 99-191108)

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

Q13.1..... it is situated in the far north of Europe, Iceland's climate is not as cold as you might expect. The island Q13.2..... attracts a large number of tourists. From May to September, visitors can enjoy daylight almost 24 hours a day. However, it is often cloudy Q13.3..... at least a part of each day, so don't expect 24-hour sunshine! There are frequent showers too, so it's a good idea Q13.4..... a raincoat with you. Winter is the time of long nights and colder weather. There are also frequent storms, Q13.5..... can be frightening. You might think this would stop the tourists from coming, but, in fact, the country is still a popular destination in winter, in spite of the bad weather. Visitors should bring warm clothing and a swimsuit as well Q13.6..... they want to try a swim in one of the country's natural hot swimming pools, such as the famous Blue Lagoon.

(Adapted from B1 EXAM BOOSTER)

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| Q13.1. | A. But | B. However | C. Although |
| Q13.2. | A. as well | B. also | C. and |
| Q13.3. | A. for | B. from | C. to |
| Q13.4. | A. bringing | B. to bring | C. bring |
| Q13.5. | A. where | B. that | C. which |
| Q13.6. | A. if | B. unless | C. whether |

Question 14 (Question ID: 99-239140)

Read the text and write one word to fill in each gap.

A wildlife boat tour

When I was on holiday with my parents, we went on a wildlife tour. The trip involved sailing round some islands off the coast, not too far Q14.1..... our hotel. Some other guests had been on the tour and recommended it to my parents, who immediately decided we should go.

In the morning our guide, Jake, picked us Q14.2..... in his boat, and we went off. Jake knew a lot about the wildlife on the islands and we saw everything we were hoping to, apart from one bird, called a harrier, which didn't appear. But that didn't matter Q14.3..... we saw many other amazing birds.

My parents especially liked the fact that Q14.4..... were very few people on the tour. Jake had time to answer all our questions, so we felt we learned Q14.5..... than we'd expected. And we agreed this wildlife experience was the best Q14.6..... we'd ever had.