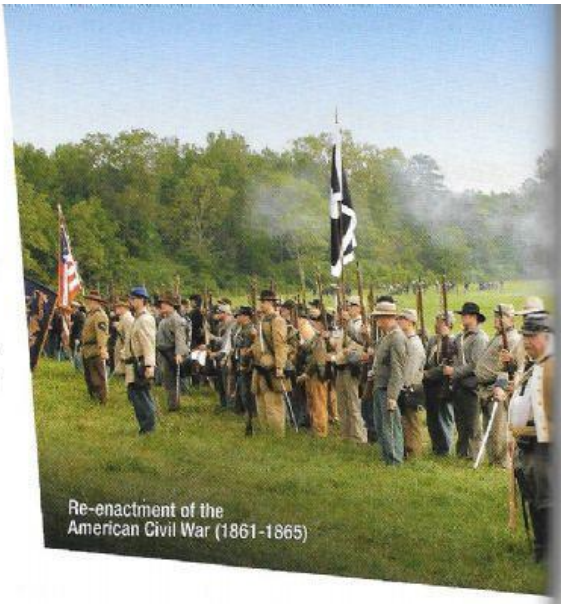
LISTENING


Re-enactment of the American Civil War (1861-1865)

1 A ARE YOU A HISTORY BUFF? What do you think the following activities involve? Match the events (1-4) to descriptions (a-d). Which event would appeal to you?

1. historical re-enactment
2. ghost hunt at a castle
3. archaeological dig
4. conservation day

..... a. excavating in the scorching sun
..... b. battling to save our architectural heritage
..... c. acting out battles and combat scenes at a historical site
..... d. walking through secret corridors and underground tunnels

B SPECIAL PASTIMES You will hear five short extracts in which people talk about their pastimes. While you listen, you must complete both tasks.

TASK ONE

For questions 1-5, choose from the list (A-H) the reason each speaker gives for choosing this pastime.

A a friend's suggestion
B a worthy cause
C the convenience of the location
D preserving history
E an escape from routine
F fulfilling an ambition
G having nothing to do
H the improvement of a skill

Speaker 1 1
Speaker 2 2
Speaker 3 3
Speaker 4 4
Speaker 5 5

TASK TWO

For questions 6-10, choose from the list (A-H) what unexpected experience each speaker describes.

A feeling uncomfortable
B making useful contacts
C being considered talented
D drawing widespread interest
E winning an award
F being given a present
G feeling unqualified
H suffering physically

Speaker 1 6
Speaker 2 7
Speaker 3 8
Speaker 4 9
Speaker 5 10

USEFUL LANGUAGE

Listen and complete the expressions. Use the words below. Then match the expressions to their meanings (a-e).

scales loose shoulders fingertips draw

1. the ..... for me is the combat
2. being at a ..... end
3. he had so many facts at his .....
4. what tipped the .....
5. rubbing ..... with veteran activists

..... a. not having anything to do
..... b. what appeals to me
..... c. persuaded me
..... d. finding myself next to
..... e. readily available knowledge

2 SHORT CONVERSATIONS You will hear eight short conversations. From the three answer choices, select the answer which means about the same thing as what you hear, or that is true based upon what you hear.

1. a. He found the show very amusing.
   b. The exhibit was smaller than expected.
   c. The paintings had been magnified.
2. a. She thinks the chair needs some work.
   b. She doesn't like the way he painted the chair.
   c. She thinks the chair was a good buy.
3. a. He expects he'll be finished soon.
   b. He's not going to do any more work for now.
   c. He feels he is not progressing.
4. a. Mike has a lot of reports to write.
   b. Mike won't mind making changes.
   c. Mike must add details to the report.
5. a. The puppy is very active.
   b. The puppy still can't leave the house.
   c. The puppy is still very small.
6. a. He thinks he should do a different project.
   b. It's probably too late to get an extension.
   c. He will probably speak to the professor.
7. a. She didn't have to buy the book.
   b. She no longer needed the book.
   c. She was unlucky at the bookstore.
8. a. Part of the documentary seemed irrelevant.
   b. Part of the documentary was humorous.
   c. Most of the documentary was about ancient Egypt.

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