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SCORE

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Listening comprehension

Task 1

You are going to hear four young people talking about unusual situations. Match the situations (A-E) to the speakers (1-4). There is one extra sentence which you do not need to use.

The speaker

- A. discovered personal similarities with someone
- B. found the conversation with someone very stressful
- C. met someone who looked elegant
- D. was surprised with someone's unpleasant reaction
- E. hadn't had a better time before

Speaker 1 : _____

Speaker 2 : _____

Speaker 3 : _____

Speaker 4 : _____

(Matura repetytorium, M. Rosińska, L. Edwards)

Task 2

You are going to listen to a radio interview about a book. Complete the sentences 1-10 with one to four words.

Nation is a **1**_____ by Terry Pratchett set on an island. Daphne and Mau are **2**_____ in **Nation**. The book is about **3**_____ after tragedy. Daphne's father is a **4**_____ . Mau returns to his country, but his

friends have 5 _____ . Daphne's and Mau's lives are turned 6 _____ by various events. The characters stories are presented 7 _____ at the beginning. Daphne and Mau 8 _____ their country together. Fiona feels the characters are 9 _____ . The book can bring you 10 _____ one minute and make you laugh the next.

(On Screen, V. Evans, J. Dooley)

Reading Comprehension

Task 3

You are going to read an article about British teenagers. For questions 1-6 choose the answer A, B, C or D which you think fits best according to the text.

What British teenagers love about the UK

What do British teenagers really think about their country? Do they love the UK or hate it? In a recent survey, teenagers answered the question: "What do you love most about Britain?" Young people commented on almost everything from music to the weather.

A lot of young people love exploring the British countryside and most popular number two was the coast. The most popular places for young people are Cornwall where they love going surfing or Wiltshire with its spooky stone circles like Stonehenge. Some mentioned cities like London, Liverpool or Newcastle but mostly for night entertainment.

As for pastimes, British teenagers (21%) also love football and which team was the most popular? Manchester United, of course. 20% of young people think that British comedy is the best and they especially love watching Ali G and Rowan Atkinson, one of the best-known comedians who plays Mr Bean and Johnny English. They think he is a very gifted actor, able to take on any role.

When it comes to the weather, amazingly 16% (mad!) of British teenagers like the British weather! What is wrong with them?

One girls explains that she enjoys complaining about the weather (hm, perhaps she needs to get a life!). Most, though, said that they love the changing seasons and don't mind rainy weather at all.

14% of young people love Britain because they think that British parents give their children a lot of respect and freedom and they are happy to live in a democracy where they can express their opinions. The majority like living in a country where there are so many

different types of people, while some say it is the fact that they are an island that makes them so unique.

Finally, food! Although many foreigners find British food disgusting, British teenagers are very fond of it. 10% of teenagers in the survey thought that British food was the best thing about the country and enjoy eating bacon sandwiches, baked beans and cheddar cheese. Curry, though, seems to beat all the competition and appears to be most liked dish. Also, we know British teenagers still like drinking a nice cup of tea in the morning.

1. Most British teenagers like spending their free time

- A. in the countryside
- B. at the seaside
- C. in towns and cities
- D. at home

2. British teenagers love Rowan Atkinson because

- A. he is the funniest comedian in Britain
- B. he has many talents
- C. he can play different roles
- D. he has a very British sense of humour

3. Some British teenagers love the British weather because

- A. they like it when it rains
- B. it is never too cold
- C. they love complaining about it
- D. they have all the seasons

4. The main reason why teenagers like Britain is the fact that

- A. it is a country open to foreigners
- B. they can be very independent
- C. they have beautiful countryside
- D. they live outside mainland Europe

5. The most popular dish in Britain is now

- A. bacon sandwiches
- B. curry
- C. cheddar cheese
- D. fish and chips

6. The text comes from

- A. a guidebook
- B. a scientific magazine
- C. an encyclopaedia
- D. a leaflet

(Matura repetytorium, M. Rosińska, A. Mędela)

Task 4

You are going to read an article about a famous mathematician. Seven sentences have been removed from the article. Choose from the sentences **A-H** the one which fits each gap (1-6). There is one extra sentence which you do not need to use. There is an example at the beginning **(0)**.

- A** Pythagoras was a mathematician, an astronomer and a philosopher.
- B** Both men and women were allowed to be members, and many women Pythagoreans became philosophers.
- C** We do not know when Pythagoras was set free, but we know that in 520BC he left Babylon and returned to Samos, his birthplace.
- D** Two of these philosophers Thales and Anaximander, introduced him to mathematics.
- E** It was a secret society, and today Pythagoras is still a mysterious figure.
- F** Many of the customs he learnt in Egypt he came to adopt.
- G** For these reasons he went to Italy.
- H** He used it as a kind of therapy to help those who were ill.

Pythagoras

Pythagoras is often described as a very important mathematician. Many Greek mathematicians wrote books about their work, but we have nothing written by Pythagoras. What we know is that he was the leader of a society which was half scientific and half religious. **0** **E**. We are not sure if the information we have about him is the fact or legend.

We believe that Pythagoras was born on the Greek island of Samos. His father was a merchant, and as a child, Pythagoras travelled with him selling goods. He was well-educated and had three philosophers to teach him **1** _____. Thales advised Pythagoras to travel to Egypt to learn more about mathematics and astronomy.

So, in 535BC, Pythagoras travelled to Egypt, where he visited temples and took part in discussions with priests. **2** _____. For example, the Egyptian priests refused to eat beans and wear animals skin, as did Pythagoras later in his life.

In 525BC, the King of Persia invaded Egypt. Pythagoras was taken prisoner and was transported to Babylon. It was here, taught by the Babylonians, that he reached perfection in arithmetic and music. **3** _____.

In Samos he founded a school which was called "The Semicircle". It seems that the people of Samos did not appreciate the teaching methods of Pythagoras and they treated him rudely and improperly. Furthermore, the Samians wanted to involve Pythagoras in local politics against his will. **4** _____.

So it was in Italy that he founded a religious and philosophical society. This society contributed a great deal to the understanding of mathematics.

Pythagoras believed that numbers rule the universe and that numbers are present in all things. He also connected mathematics to music and recognised the healing power of music. **5** _____. Another of his beliefs was that there are three types of men: those who love wisdom, those who love honour and those who love gain.

6 _____. Today we remember him best for his famous geometry theorem, known as the Pythagorean theorem.

(Upstream, B. Obee, V. Evans)

Grammar and vocabulary

Task 5

Read the text below. Fill the gaps (1-10) using the words in brackets. Transform the word to form a logically and grammatically correct sentence. There is one example at the beginning

Claude Monet

Claude Monet is one of the most **(0) famous (FAME)** of the great **(1) _____ (PAINT)** of the 19th century. He gained much of his **(2) _____ (INSPIRE)** from Jean Boudin. He advised him to paint everything in his **(3) _____ (NATURE)** environment. In 1859 Monet moved to Paris and became a **(4) _____ (STUDY)** of art. In the following years he lived in extreme **(5) _____ (POOR)**. For a few years he lived in England as an **(6) _____ (EMIGRATE)**. He returned to France and had his first **(7) _____ (EXHIBIT)**. For the last 30 years of his life Monet was considered to be the **(8) _____ (LEAD)** of the Impressionists and he enjoyed **(9) _____ (FINANCE)** success. His **(10) _____ (PAINT)** are still inspiration for others.

(FCE Examination, V. Evans)

Task 6

Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence. Use the given word. Do not change the given word. You must use between 2 and 5 words, including the given word.

1. They built this cathedral in the 16th century.

BUILT This cathedral _____ the 16th century.

2. I'm sure Mr Brown lives in this house.

LIVE Mr Brown _____ house.

3. "I'm too tired to go to the party" Kate said.

SHE Kate told me _____ to go to the party.

4. I have never seen a more boring film.

MOST This is _____ I have ever seen.

5. Sue is not mature enough to have a driving licence.

TOO Sue _____ have a driving licence.

6. Kate is my friend. She can Speak Japanese.

WHO Kate, _____ can speak Japanese.

7. I'm keen on rock music.

IN I'm _____ rock music.

8. I'll call you when I come back home

SOON I'll call you _____ back home.

9. Tom has been playing tennis since 2017.

STARTED Tom _____ 2017.

10. This is my new car. I bought it last week

WHICH This is my _____ last week

Task 7

Complete the text by choosing the correct option: A, B or C

At our school we have rules to **(1)** _____. The most important is not to cheat at the exams. You also can't wear **(2)** _____ clothes. School uniforms are obligatory. When the bell **(3)** _____ and the lesson starts you can't talk or use a mobile phone. If you do this, you may **(4)** _____ suspended. During the break you can go to the playground and **(5)** _____ some sport. I usually **(6)** _____ this time with my friends. We talk or sometimes we **(7)** _____ for the exams.

After school I go home **(8)** _____ bus. I hate it and I can't wait to have to own car and a driving license. If I **(9)** _____ exams with good results, my parents will buy me an old car. They promised and they always **(10)** _____ their promises.

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| 1. A follow | B keep | C stick |
| 2. A formal | B neat | C casual |
| 3. A phones | B calls | C rings |
| 4. A be | B have | C catch |
| 5. A do | B go | C follow |
| 6. A like | B spend | C do |
| 7. A revise | B read | C cheat |
| 8. A on | B by | C with |
| 9. A pass | B will pass | C am passing |
| 10. A have | B listen to | C keep |

Task 8

Choose the option (A, B or C) that best replaces the phrase in bold

1. I hardly ever **have arguments** with my sister. We get on really well.

- A. disagree B. work together C. get out together
2. I **look up to** my grandma. She is a wonderful woman
A. visit B. search C. respect and admire
3. You should **apologise** to Kate. You forgot about her birthday
A. say sorry B. give advice C. invite her out
4. You failed an exam. **What a pity!**
A. It's a shame B. Take care C. Don't worry
5. My parents always **support** me
A. disagree B. take my side C. don't understand
6. Kate **has a heart of gold.**
A. is very strong B. is healthy C. is very helpful and kind