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TASK 1 - READING COMPREHENSION

Read the text and do the exercises as instructed. In exercises 1-7 your answer must be **ONE word only**. In exercise 8-10 circle the letter A, B, or C.

The task begins with an example (0).

Remember to write your answers on the separate answer sheet.

Pasta is a component of many cuisines around the world. Even when it is not part of the local cooking traditon, **(0) it** is still generally available. Apart from eating vegetables raw, or simply cooking **(1) them**, or boiling an egg, no dish in the world is much simpler than pasta. **(2) It** is dropped into boiling water and requires no more skill in cooking than boiling an egg. Like an egg, there is some variation in the cooking time, depending on whether you like **(3) it** soft or hard. However, few people eat pasta plain. Whatever your most prized flavours (fish, meat, fungi or vegetables), **(4) they** can be combined with pasta, and this factor allowed it to migrate from **(5) its** original Asian home to Italy, **(6) whose** main foodstuff it has long been. So, the question now is why pasta has found new favour in western culture in recent years. I would like to suggest a number of factors. The first and the most important of **(7) these** is the fact that it takes no great effort: it is available to all, at any time.

I) Look at the words in bold. In each case write what each word refers to. **USE ONE WORD ONLY**. One has been done for you as an example:

Example:

0. it - pasta

1. them - _____

2. It - _____

3. it - _____

4. they - _____

5. its - _____

6. whose- _____

7. these - _____

II) Choose the answer which you think fits best. One has been done for you as an example.

Example:

00. Pasta is the component of

A all the cuisines around the world.

B majority of the cuisines around the world.

☒ **C** numerous cuisines around the world.

8. Pasta is

A more difficult to cook than an egg.

B easier to cook than an egg.

C as simple to cook as an egg.

9. Pasta should be cooked

A as long as an egg.

B depending on your taste.

C shorter than an egg.

10. Originally, pasta comes from

A Italy.

B Asia.

C western culture.

TASK 2 – MULTIPLE CHOICE CLOZE

Read the interview and choose the best answer for 1–10. Circle the letter A, B, or C.

The task begins with an example (0).

Remember to write your answers on the separate answer sheet.

Interviewer: 0 A morning, Barbara. Please 1____ a seat. I've read your application for Birthday Clowns and 2____ looks good. But I'd like to know a bit more about you 3____ a person.

Barbara: My friends always 4____ I am a very funny girl, 5____-working and reliable. I guess that's true, but I also laugh a lot, love 6____ jokes and singing. And I'm great 7____ acting, too.

Interviewer: This sounds great. And 8____ you got any experience with kids?

Barbara: Well, I come from a very big family with two younger brothers and an older one. And three sisters – one is younger 9____ me, and two much older. So I have always 10 ____ around children. And I am great with them.

Example:

0. A Good B Fine C Nice

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| 1. A make | B take | C do |
| 2. A he | B she | C it |
| 3. A for | B as | C like |
| 4. A say | B tell | C speak |
| 5. A hardly | B harder | C hard |
| 6. A telling | B tell | C speaking |
| 7. A in | B at | C for |
| 8. A have | B do | C did |
| 9. A than | B from | C then |
| 10. A be | B been | C was |

TASK 3 – GAP FILLING

Read the text about Christmas traditions. Fill the gaps 1-10 with the ONE word that best suits the text.

The task begins with an example (0).

Remember to write your answers on the separate answer sheet.

Christmas 0 is Britain's most popular holiday with 1 _____ lot of traditions, like Christmas cards, traditional decorations, Christmas tree, singing carols, typical food and Christmas crackers.

The first ever Christmas card 2 _____ sent in England in the 19th century, and this practice soon became a popular tradition. Nowadays the British send over a billion Christmas cards every year in 3 _____ United Kingdom. The 4 _____ popular Christmas decorations are holly, ivy and mistletoe. The idea of the Christmas tree came 5 _____ England from Germany 6 _____ 1840s. Customarily people sing carols, and presents for the family 7 _____ put under the Christmas tree. Christmas dinner traditionally consists 8 _____ roast turkey, goose or chicken with roast potatoes and Brussels sprouts. There is a coin inside the Christmas pudding. If you find it in your slice of pudding, it 9 _____ you luck. People pull crackers, which look like sweets. They were 10 _____ by a London baker in the 19th century.

TASK 4 – VERB FORMS

Read the following sentences. Use the verb given in brackets to form a verb tense (positive/negative/interrogative) that fits in the sentence. Your answer must be **ONE to FOUR words only**.

The task begins with an example (0).

Remember to write your answers on the **separate answer sheet**.

Example:

0. You seem worried. What are you thinking (you/think) about?

1. Mr. Jones _____ (be) our managing director since 1985.
2. My granny is 65 and usually _____ (watch) television 3 hours a day.
3. The electrician's work _____ (not finish) until next week.
4. Jonathan was really tired yesterday afternoon, so he _____ (lie) down for a nap.
5. We have bought some white paint because we _____ (redecorate) our house next week.
6. What are you doing? _____ (you/write) your graduation speech?
7. My neighbours _____ (never/fly) to Dubrovnik before; this is their first time.
8. Yesterday she _____ (sweep) the dirt under the rug.
9. While we _____ (have) a picnic, it started to rain.
10. Michael has an excellent History teacher; he _____ (teach) at Harvard last year.

TASK 5 – WORD FORMATION

Read the following sentences. Use the word given at the end of the line to form a word that fits in the sentence. Your answer must be **ONE word only**.

The task begins with an example (0).

Remember to write your answers on the separate answer sheet.

Example:

0. Their marriage was a very happy one. (marry)

1. A _____ is a person who is talented in making music, singing or playing an instrument. (music)
2. If you have any problems finding things, just ask Roger. He is very _____ and will tell you where to find what you want. (help)
3. Have you seen my handbag, John? It seems to have totally _____! (appear)
4. He told her that he was _____ in love with her. (true)
5. I left the house at 8am and stared at the empty garage in _____. My car was nowhere to be seen. Someone had stolen it! (believe)
6. The film "The Bloodhound" _____ me. I couldn't sleep for days. (terror)
7. Are you sure you have cleaned the fridge? There is still a pretty _____ smell coming from it. (pleasant)
8. You have no _____ - you must do it. (choose)
9. He lost his _____ in the accident. (see)
10. He's invited me to his party. It would be _____ to say no. (polite)

THIS IS THE END OF THE TEST.