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GRAMMAR - MULTIPLE CHOICE TEST

**Choose the best answer, A, B or C. The first one is an example. ANSWER**

**0 She’s reading ......................... in the living room.**

1. **a video B. some music C. a magazine** .......**C**.........

1 My brother’s ......................... . He works in a small French restaurant.

1. a waiter B. a shop assistant C. a secretary ..................

2 Please ......................... the piano now. The children are asleep.

1. don’t play B. no play C. not to play .................

3 Our car isn’t fast. It’s very ......................... .

1. weak B. short C. slow ...................

4 My mother likes Mel Gibson, but she ......................... Arnold Schwarzenegger.

1. likes B. don’t like C. doesn’t like ...................

5 We usually watch a football match ......................... Saturday afternoon.

1. in B. on C. at ...................

6 The programme starts at ten ......................... .

1. o’clock B. clocks C. hours ...................

7 Where ......................... ?

1. do you work B. you do work C. you work ...................

8 That’s her over there – ......................... a green dress and a hat.

A. she wears B. she’s wearing C. she wearing ....................

9 People usually eat soup with ......................... .

1. a knife B. a fork C. a spoon ...................

10 The school is in River Street, next ......................... the supermarket.

1. by B. to C. at ...................

**TOTAL** ........................

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READING COMPREHENSION

**School Journey, Friday 14 July**

Dear Parents, As you know, every year we take the children in Year 6 on a School Journey after they finish their summer examinations. This year we are going to Wales for the day. In the morning we are going to visit Chepstow Castle, which is the oldest castle in Britain, and in the afternoon we are going climbing in the Brecon Beacons. The bus is leaving the school car park at 7.30 in the morning, and we hope to be back at the school by 9.00 in the evening. Please bring your child to the school fifteen minutes early. Children do not have to wear school clothes, but they must have a good pair of shoes or trainers, a warm jumper and a coat (it can be wet and windy, even in July!) and – if it’s a sunny day – a hat and sun cream. At lunchtime, we’re having a picnic by the River Wye, so please give your child a packed lunch (sandwiches, fruit and a drink – not too many sweets and chocolates, please!). Please give your child breakfast before you leave home (they can’t eat on the bus). In the evening, we’re stopping at a motorway restaurant for dinner. Children must bring a pen and paper, and it’s a good idea to bring a (cheap!) camera. The cost of the journey is £25. This covers the return bus journey, the entrance ticket for the Castle, and dinner. Children can take some money to spend on presents, but not more than £5, please.

**Read the letter about a school journey, and answer the children’s questions. Choose the best answer: A, B or C. The first one has been done for you.**

**0 Are we going before or after the exams? ANSWER**

**A Before. B After. C I don’t know. .....B.......**

1 What time do we have to be at school?

A. At 7.15. B. At 7.30. C. At 7.45. ..............

2 What are the Brecon Beacons?

A. Rivers. B. Castles. C. Mountains. ..............

3 Do we have to wear school jacket and trousers?

A. Yes. B. No. C. I don’t know. ..............

4 What’s the weather going to be like?

A. Wet. B. Sunny. C. I don’t know. ..............

5 Can we take some sweets?

A. Yes. B. No. C. I don’t know. ..............

6 Where are we having lunch?

A. In a café. B. On the bus. C. By a river. ..............

7 What else do we have to bring with us?

A. Money. B. A camera. C. A pen and paper. ..............

**TOTAL ..................**

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GRAMMAR - MULTIPLE CHOICE TEST

**Choose the best answer, A, B or C. The first one is an example.**

**0 My brother’s ......................... – he’s quite short, actually. ANSWER**

**A not very tall B very tall C quite tall ......A......**

1 They’re rich – they ......................... lots of money!

A. got B. has got C. have got ................

2 How much ......................... do you want?

A. bread B. apples C. eggs ................

3 There are lots of lemons, but there isn’t ......................... sugar.

A. some B. any C. a ................

4 We didn’t win the game – we ......................... .

A. lose B. losed C. lost ................

5 He woke up late, so he ......................... any breakfast.

A. didn’t has B. didn’t had C. didn’t have ................

6 My parents gave ......................... a bike for my birthday.

A. me B. to me C. for me ................

7 ......................... about a hundred people at the party.

A. It was B. There was C. There were ................

8 Where ......................... at the weekend?

A. you went B. did you go C. did you went ................

9 Budapest is ......................... the River Danube.

A. in B. on C. at ................

10 She can play the piano, but she ......................... swim.

A. can’t B. does C. likes ................

**TOTAL ..................**

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READING COMPREHENSION

#### **Frogs in love: Romeo and Juliet**

Romeo the frog spent ten years alone in a museum in Bolivia. He is a Sehuencas frog, and for a long time, scientists at the museum thought that Romeo was the only Sehuencas frog in the world. A lot of these frogs have died because of deforestation,and a deadly disease has taken the lives of many others. The scientists wanted to find a mate for Romeo. They even set up a profile for him on Match.com!

In 2018, some scientists went to the Bolivian forests to look for a partner for Romeo. They looked in many streams, but they couldn’t find any frogs. They grew tired, wet and disappointed. They decided to check one more stream before going home. And then, they found a Sehuencas frog beside a waterfall. This frog was male, but they returned the next day and found four more frogs, two male and two female. One of the females was the right age to mate. The conservationists called her Juliet.

The scientists didn’t let Romeo and Juliet meet at first. They needed to check that Juliet didn’t have a disease. But finally, they put the two frogs together. At first, Romeo seemed nervous, but soon he swam to Juliet and then he did a funny dance, shaking his toes. Then he put his arms and legs around her and made a really loud call.

Juliet hasn’t laid any eggs yet, but scientists hope she will. That way, they can learn more about these frogs and help to protect them in the forest. But they know it won’t be easy. For frogs to mate, the temperature and the water quality must be perfect. They also only mate when it is raining, so the scientists had to put special rain equipment in their tank. However, the scientists aren’t too worried if Romeo and Juliet don’t mate, because they have the four other frogs. And they are happy that Romeo isn’t lonely any more!

**Circle the correct answer T – TRUE or F - FALSE**

1. Romeo is the only Sehuencas frog in the world. T F
2. Sehueancas frogs are dying for several reasons. T F
3. The scientists found four Sehuencas frogs in the forest in total. T F
4. Juliet is a female Sehuancas frog which is the right age to mate. T F
5. The scientists put Romeo and Juliet together immediately. T F
6. Romeo hasn’t touched Juliet yet because he is too nervous. T F
7. Frogs only mate when the temperature and weather are right. T F
8. The other frogs from the forest are too old to mate. T F

**TOTAL ..................**

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GRAMMAR - MULTIPLE CHOICE TEST

You know exams are around the corner and you can’t stop checking your Facebook? If that is 1..................., you are 2. .................... to get bad results because of your more than apparent internet addiction. 3. ..................... can be considered an internet addict when the internet becomes a priority in life, above other priorities, such as exams. Social media is known 4. ..................... a rush of happiness and contentment 5. ................... the release of dopamine, a neurotransmitter which helps control the brain’s reward and pleasure centres, and which plays a key role in addictions. The more people use social media, 6. ........................ stimulation they receive, which makes them more vulnerable to addiction.

And teens get more easily addicted to the internet and social media because their brains are still developing and they still have to set their priorities, and that makes it more difficult 7. ...................... control their use of social media even when they know that they really need to study for exams.

Social media is a constant source of text, photographs, videos – all of 8. .................... provide stimulus to the brain making the activity addictive. And peer pressure also adds to it, because teenagers feel that they would miss out on what’s going on among their friends if they 9.................... constantly check their Instagram, WhatsApp or Facebook. 10. ........................ seems that addiction to social media is more common in teens with lower self-esteem, 11. ......................... their online interactions make them 12. ............................... they are part of a group.

Of course, parents on 13. .......................... don’t have a clue what their kids do online. Not only 14. ............................  have little or no idea how to technically control their children’s behaviour online, but they also have the added problem that teenagers are absolute experts 15. ..........................concealing everything from their parents.

**Choose the best answer: A, B, C or D.**

**ANSWER**

1. A. it B. which C. like D. so ................
2. A. probably B. definitely C. probable D. likely ................
3. A. One B. He C. They D. People ................
4. A. trigger B. to have triggered C. that it triggers D. to trigger ................
5. A. to B. since C. owing to D. because ................
6. A. incrisingly B. more C. the most D. the more ................
7. A. them B. that they C. they D. for them to ................
8. A. which B. what C. that D. it ................
9. A. don’t B. won‘t C. didn‘t D. wouldn’t ................
10. A. It B. There C. Which D. That ................
11. A. since B. on account of C. yet D. because of ................
12. A. feeling B. feel C. to feeling D. to feel ................
13. A. most B. the whole C. general D. all ................
14. A. they B. they might C. they do D. do they ................
15. A. In B. at C. for D. to ................

**TOTAL ..................**

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READING COMPREHENSION

### Secrets of a Happy Brain

The human brain remembers negative experiences more easily than positive ones. Our brains have developed this way because threats, like dangerous animals, had a more immediate effect on our ancestors’ survival compared to positive things like food or shelter. As a result, you likely know what makes you unhappy, but do you know what makes you happy?  
  
Research suggests that our level of happiness depends partly on factors we cannot control – our genes and our life circumstances. But our level of happiness is also shaped by the choices we make. If you’ve been chasing wealth, fame, good looks, material things, and power, you may be looking for happiness in all the wrong places. Psychologists suggest that the following seven habits make people happier.  
  
People who form close relationships tend to be happier than those who do not. The number of friends we have is not important. What matters is the quality of our relationships. Relationships that bring happiness usually involve the sharing of feelings, mutual respect, acceptance, trust, fun and empathy.  
  
People who make a habit of caring for the wellbeing of others tend to be happier. This might involve volunteering for an organization or reaching out to support friends and family on a regular basis.  
  
People who exercise regularly improve both their physical and mental well-being. Some research has shown that exercise can be as effective as medication in treating depression.  
  
When we are so interested in an activity we enjoy that we lose track of time, we are in a state of flow. The activity could be making art, playing piano, surfing, or playing a game. People who experience flow in their work or hobbies tend to be happier.  
  
People who include spirituality in their daily life tend to be happier. Practicing spirituality is a way of recognizing and trying to understand the wonder and beauty of existence. Some people do this by going to a place of worship or praying. Some people practice yoga or meditation. Some people go for long walks in nature.  
  
People are more likely to be happy if they know what their strengths are and use them regularly. People who set goals and use their strengths to achieve them tend to be happier. People are especially happy when they can use their strengths to serve the greater good.  
  
People who think positively by being grateful, mindful, and optimistic are more likely to be happy. Being grateful means being thankful. Being mindful means being open to, focusing on, and enjoying the experiences of the present moment. Being optimistic means being hopeful about the future.   
  
  
**Circle correct answer:**   
  
1. The writer probably believes that \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ can help someone experiencing depression.

1. starting an exercise program.
2. learning to make art
3. learning to play the piano or guitar

2. What would the author think is not a way of caring for the well-being of others?

1. practicing yoga or meditation
2. volunteering at a home for old people
3. giving advice to a friend who has marriage problems

3. How does the author explain spirituality?

1. It is a way of making new friends.
2. It is a way of recognizing and trying to understand the wonder and beauty of life.
3. It is a way or recognizing the need to protect and preserve the beauty of nature.

4.According to the reading, people are in a state of flow when \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

a. people include spirituality in their daily lives

b. time seems to pass very quickly

c. we feel the need to help others

5. What is not mentioned in the reading as being part of a quality relationship?

a. mutual respect

b. enthusiasm

c. sharing of feelings

6.What is part of thinking positively?

a. wishing that we could change the past

b. feeling bad about decisions we have made

c. appreciating what we have

7. What is not part of being mindful?

1. taking pleasure in what you are doing at this time
2. enjoying the memory of a past experience
3. focusing on this moment

8.Why doesn't the brain remember positive experiences as much as negative ones?

1. Our ancestors didn't understand what made them happy.
2. Positive experiences like having food and shelter were necessary for the survival of our ancestors.
3. Positive experiences were not as important for the survival of our ancestors as negative ones.

9.What is not given as a way people can include spirituality in their daily lives?

a. going to a place of worship

b. taking long walks in nature

c. getting regular exercise

10. Things we cannot control that affect our level of happiness are \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

a. the number of volunteer positions we have

b. our genes

c. the number and quality of relationships we have

**TOTAL ..............................**

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GRAMMAR - MULTIPLE CHOICE TEST

When I (1). ..............................my job two years ago I (2). ................................. love it. The truth is that I have a very high salary and the office is very close to home, but the problem is that since the day I started I (3)................................ very few free weekends and I always work until very late in the evening. I often have to cancel plans with friends (4) ...........................work or I miss family celebrations, and I'm usually very tired and stressed. I'm not sure I can keep (5) ........................ this. I don't sleep enough, and I don't eat (6) ......................., because I don't have (7) .............................to cook.

 Apart from that, sport has always been very important in my life. I like being fit, and (8)............................ sport is the way I have to feel well and reduce stress. (9) ................................, nowadays I don't have (10) ............................. time to exercise. With all these bad habits, I feel that I am putting my health at risk.

 I really need some advice. What would you do if you (11) ..................................... me? My salary is very high, and I can walk to work, but I feel horrible; I don't have a social life and I don't have a healthy life. Two years ago, before taking this job, I was much (12).................................. and very happy. Now I am 28 and I have a lot of money in my bank account, but nothing else. The problem is that the jobs that (13) ................................. in the area where I live don't pay much, and I'm afraid of making a decision (14) ..................................... I might regret. So, what do you think? (15) ....................................... I quit my job?

**Choose the best answer: A, B or C. Answer**

1. A. started B. was starting C. have started ....................
2. A. did B. used to C. did use to ....................
3. A. have B. have had C. had ....................
4. A. so B. because of C. because ....................
5. A. doing B. do C. to do ....................
6. A. good B. healthily C. healthy ....................
7. A. many time B. enough time C. time enough ....................
8. A. doing B. to do C. do ....................
9. A. Although B. Because C. However ....................
10. A. some B. any C. no ....................
11. A. would be B. were C. are ....................
12. A. fitter B. more fit C. fiter ....................
13. A. offer B. offered C. are offered ....................
14. A. who B. where C. which ....................
15. A. Do B. Might C. Should ....................

**TOTAL ....................**

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READING COMPREHENSION

### The Death Car

It was a cold night in September. The rain was drumming on the car roof as George and Marie Winston drove through the empty country roads towards the house of their friends, the Harrisons, where they were going to attend a party to celebrate the engagement of the Harrisons' daughter, Lisa. As they drove, they listened to the local radio station, which was playing classical music.  
      They were about five miles from their destination when the music on the radio was interrupted by a news announcement:  
      "The Cheshire police have issued a serious warning after a man escaped from Colford Mental Hospital earlier this evening. The man, John Downey, is a murderer who killed six people before he was captured two years ago. He is described as large, very strong and extremely dangerous. People in the Cheshire area are warned to keep their doors and windows locked, and to call the police immediately if they see anyone acting strangely."  
      Marie shivered. "A crazy killer. And he's out there somewhere. That's scary."  
      "Don't worry about it," said her husband. "We're nearly there now. Anyway, we have more important things to worry about. This car is losing power for some reason -- it must be that old problem with the carburetor. If it gets any worse, we'll have to stay at the Harrisons' tonight and get it fixed before we travel back tomorrow."  
      As he spoke, the car began to slow down. George pressed the accelerator, but the engine only coughed. Finally they rolled to a halt, as the engine died completely. Just as they stopped, George pulled the car off the road, and it came to rest under a large tree.  
      "Blast!" said George angrily. "Now we'll have to walk in the rain."  
      "But that'll take us an hour at least," said Marie. "And I have my high-heeled shoes and my nice clothes on. They'll be ruined!"  
      "Well, you'll have to wait while I run to the nearest house and call the Harrisons. Someone can come out and pick us up," said George.  
      "But George! Have you forgotten what the radio said? There's a homicidal maniac out there! You can't leave me here alone!"  
      "You'll have to hide in the back of the car. Lock all the doors and lie on the floor in the back, under this blanket. No one will see you. When I come back, I'll knock three times on the door. Then you can get up and open it. Don't open it unless you hear three knocks." George opened the door and slipped out into the rain. He quickly disappeared into the blackness.  
      Marie quickly locked the doors and settled down under the blanket in the back for a long wait. She was frightened and worried, but she was a strong-minded woman. She had not been waiting long, however, when she heard a strange scratching noise. It seemed to be coming from the roof of the car.  
      Marie was terrified. She listened, holding her breath. Then she heard three slow knocks, one after the other, also on the roof of the car. Was it her husband? Should she open the door? Then she heard another knock, and another. This was not her husband. It was somebody — or something — else. She was shaking with fear, but she forced herself to lie still. The knocking continued — bump, bump, bump, bump.  
      Many hours later, as the sun rose, she was still lying there. She had not slept for a moment. The knocking had never stopped, all night long. She did not know what to do. Where was George? Why had he not come for her?  
      Suddenly, she heard the sound of three or four vehicles, racing quickly down the road. All of them pulled up around her, their tires screeching on the road. At last! Someone had come! Marie sat up quickly and looked out of the window.  
      The three vehicles were all police cars, and two still had their lights flashing. Several policemen leaped out. One of them rushed towards the car as Marie opened the door. He took her by the hand.  
      "Get out of the car and walk with me to the police vehicle, Miss. You're safe now. Look straight ahead. Keep looking at the police car. Don't look back. Just don't look back."  
      Something in the way he spoke filled Marie with cold horror. She could not help herself. About ten yards from the police car, she stopped, turned and looked back at the empty vehicle.  
      George was hanging from the tree above the car, a rope tied around his neck. As the wind blew his body back and forth, his feet were bumping gently on the roof of the car — bump, bump, bump, bump.

**Circle correct answer:**

1. Where were the Winstons going when this incident happened?
   * 1. home
     2. to Colford Mental Hospital
     3. to a party
     4. to the police station
2. What was the reason for the news announcement on the radio?
   * 1. Six people, including John Downey, had been murdered.
     2. A dangerous prisoner had escaped.
     3. The police were warning of accidents on the roads in the bad weather.
     4. Some people had been seen acting strangely in the Cheshire area.
3. What did George think was causing the trouble with the car?
   * 1. the carburetor
     2. the rain drumming on the roof
     3. the accelerator
     4. he had no idea
4. Why did he pull the car off the road?
   * 1. to have a rest
     2. to go for a walk
     3. to walk to the nearest house
     4. it broke down
5. Why did Marie stay in the car when George left?
   * 1. She was afraid to go out in the dark.
     2. So no one would steal the car.
     3. Her clothes weren't suitable for the rain.
     4. She wanted to get some sleep.
6. Where did George set off to walk to?
   * 1. the Mental Hospital
     2. the nearest house
     3. the Harrisons' house
     4. the police station
7. What made Marie so frightened as she waited in the car?
   * 1. There was a strange sound coming from the roof.
     2. She could see a man acting strangely outside the car.
     3. Some police cars came racing down the road.
     4. She was afraid of the rain and the dark.
8. Why did the policeman tell her not to look back when he brought her out of the car?
   * 1. He didn't want her to see the body of her husband.
     2. The killer was waiting behind her.
     3. He wanted her to forget everything that had happened during the night.
     4. He didn't want her to see the damage done to the car.
9. Marie says, "There's a homicidal maniac out there!" What does "homicidal maniac" mean?
   * 1. terrible storm
     2. busy road
     3. crazy killer
     4. policeman
10. In "Several policemen leapt out," "leapt" means:
    * 1. threw
      2. jumped
      3. shouted
      4. drove

**TOTAL: ................................**

**Answer key**

1B reading

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Answers 2B test

So, likely, one, to trigger, owning to, the more, for them to, which, didn’t, it, since, feel, the whole, do they,

at

2A

Test

1. Started
2. used to
3. have had
4. because of
5. doing
6. healthily
7. enough time
8. doing
9. However
10. Any
11. Were
12. Fitter
13. are offered
14. which
15. Should