

Read the text below to answer question 1-4

Protect Yourself

Air pollution is one of the worst health problems. There are certain highly reactive substances found in the polluted air. These are called free radicals. When the body is exposed to these substances, cell damage occurs causing many diseases. They start a destruction process called oxidation. It is therefore sensible safeguard to supplement your diet with an antioxidant formula, such as BLACKMORES, Bio –ACE which contains Beta Carotene, vitamin C, vitamin E and the mineral Selenium. These are the nutrients that neutralize free radicals and form a very important protection system for the body. Bio-ACE is enriched with vitamin B's, K, Zinc, Ginseng and Garlic. Blackmores is an Australian company with over 60 years experience in natural health care.

Available at any medical shop.

1. Highly reactive substances in the polluted air are called
 - a. Blackmores
 - b. Diseases
 - c. Free radicals**
 - d. Beta carotene
 - e. Zinc

2. What does the text tell us about?
 - a. Important protection system**
 - b. Australian company
 - c. Mineral selenium
 - d. Blackmores, Bio-ACE
 - e. Benefit of pollution

3. People are supposed to take beta carotene, vitamin C and E and the mineral selenium to.....their bodies from oxidation.
 - a. Expose
 - b. Enrich
 - c. Protect**
 - d. provide
 - e. Exist

4. "Available at any medical shop" (the last line).
The underlined word means can be.....
 - a. Obtained**
 - b. Accompanied
 - c. Occurred
 - d. Kept
 - e. Obey

Read the text below to answer question number 5-8

The Rio Grande

Although not the longest river in America, the Rio Grande is one of the most important. But, unlike other significant rivers, it is not used for shipping. In fact, oceangoing ships cannot navigate the waters. No, what makes the Rio Grande so important is its location. Since 1846, it has been the official border of Texas and Mexico.

Rio Grande Geography

The Rio Grande is either the fourth or fifth longest river system in North America. It all depends on how it is measured. Because the river twists so much, it occasionally changes course. And these course shifts can cause it to be longer or shorter. At its last official measure, the Rio Grande clocked in at 1,896 miles. The river starts in Colorado and extends downward to the Gulf of Mexico.

Downward is the best way of describing it too. Not only does the river extend south, but it also starts in the mountains and gets lower and lower in elevation as it extends to the Gulf. Its name is Spanish for the “Big River,” but the Rio Grande is actually known as Rio Bravo in Mexico. “Bravo” translates as “furious,” so the name makes sense. Because of its twists and turns, it certainly does seem to be angrier than most rivers!

The Rio Grande Today

The Rio Grande today is mostly used as a source of drinking water. Sadly, much of the water has been drained from the river. Parts of the river are almost dry! This is because people use more water from the river than the river can get back from rain and other sources. Experts are working to correct this, though, with hopes of restoring the river to its past strength. Today, the river is important as a source of water for Texans and Mexicans. More important, it is a symbol of cooperation between two nations. Though borders like the Rio Grande separate nations, they are also shared spaces. The Rio Grande is therefore a symbol of friendship and peace between two peoples.

5. According to the passage, why is the Rio Grande so important?
 - a. It is a source of drinking water for most of the United States.
 - b. It is the border of Texas and Mexico.**
 - c. It is the longest river system in the United States.
 - d. It is known by two different names.
 - e. It is a part of maritim country

6. In paragraph 3, the author most likely writes that “downward is the best way of describing it too” to
 - a. prove that the Rio Grande’s water levels have gone down recently
 - b. argue that the Rio Grande has changed shape over the years
 - c. highlight the fact that the Rio Grande flows south and from high elevations**
 - d. explain why the Rio Grande is known as the Rio Bravo down in Mexico

e. it is symbol of water island

7. Based on its use in paragraph 4, the word **furious** most nearly means

- a. **Angry**
- b. Large
- c. Twisted
- d. Dry
- e. Fast

8. According to the passage, the Rio Grande has endpoints in

- a. Texas and the Gulf of Mexico
- b. New Mexico and Colorado
- c. Texas and Mexico
- d. **Colorado and the Gulf of Mexico**
- e. Colorado and Canada

9. Jane : So, where will we go?

Rudy : How about beach?

Cane : _____. We have visited a lot of beach this year.

Jane : Lake? Toba Lake sounds interesting, right?

The suitable expression to complete the dialogue is ...

- a. That's so true
- b. I quite agree
- c. I think so too
- d. **I don't think so**
- e. You are right

10. Son : "Father, I want join the football competition tomorrow. I'm so nervous."

Father: "Take is easy, son. I believe you can handle it. Perhaps, you can know your opponents better."

From the dialogue above we know that father ...

- a. **Give his son an opinion**
- b. Ask his son opinion
- c. Refuses his son's opinion
- d. Accepts his son's opinion
- e. Decline his son's opinion

TOEIC PRACTICE

Reading Passage

Questions 181-185 refer to the following recipe and letter.

APPLE AND CELERY SALAD

100ml mayonnaise

50g chopped fresh cilantro leaves

50ml fresh lemon juice

8 celery stalks

6 crisp red apples

Whisk together mayonnaise, cilantro, and lemon juice in a small bowl until combined. Add salt and pepper to taste. Cut celery and apple into pieces. Toss together celery, apple, and dressing.

Total preparation time: 5 minutes

Serves 8 as a side dish.

To: Editors of *Eat Right Magazine*

As a long-time subscriber to *Eat Right Magazine*, I have frequently sampled your recipes and must credit you with some excellent results. Your recent April-May issue was, as always, packed with healthy, delicious meals, many of which I have already prepared at home.

Several days ago, however, I attempted to make the apple and celery salad from the recipe on page 57 of the magazine in the Healthy, Quick, and Easy section. While the salad was flavorful, I was not satisfied with the recipe for two reasons. First, it should be noted that a salad containing 100ml of mayonnaise, to be divided among eight servings, is not particularly healthy. I was surprised to find a recipe with so much mayonnaise in an *Eat Right* recipe. Second, while the directions suggested that five minutes preparation time was sufficient, I found the time to be underestimated by quite a bit. Finely slicing so much celery and so many apples was quite time consuming and certainly took longer than five minutes. You might adjust this assessment when you publish this recipe in the future.

I look forward to receiving the next issue of *Eat Right Magazine*, and I hope that it will contain more of the simple, nutritious recipes that I have come to expect.

Sincerely,

Francesca Bertolini

Francesca Bertolini

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181. According to the recipe, what should be done first?

- a. The apples should be peeled.
- b. The mayonnaise, cilantro, and lemon juice should be mixed.**
- c. The celery should be chopped.
- d. The salt and pepper should be measured.

182. How many servings does this recipe make?

- a. Four
- b. Five
- c. Six
- d. Eight**

183. Who is Francesca Bertolini?

- a. **A subscriber to *Eat Right Magazine***
- b. A magazine editor
- c. A restaurant chef
- d. A writer at *Eat Right Magazine*

184. What surprised Ms. Bertolini about the salad recipe?

- a. Its directions were difficult to follow
- b. It did not taste good.
- c. It was to be divided among eight people.
- d. **It contained too much mayonnaise.**

185. What does Ms. Bertolini suggest?

- a. Printing an apology in the next issue of the magazine
- b. Omitting mayonnaise from the recipe
- c. **Modifying the stated preparation time of the recipe**
- d. Verifying ingredients with an editor before publication

Questions 191-195 refer to the following letter and document.

96 Rumbold Street
Jetline Claims Office Ayresford
Jetline UK Limited Hampshire W 1 3 1 PW
35 Manchester Road May 19
London EC2 3HD

Dear Sir or Madam:

I am writing with regard to damage to my suitcase incurred during a recent trip to Italy. I was traveling from Milan to Gatwick Airport on Jetline flight JT23 on May 14, and on picking up my suitcase from the baggage claim at Gatwick, I found that the latch was badly damaged and the handle had become detached from the suitcase on one side. I reported this to the Jetline office at Gatwick and completed a property-irregularity form.

I have had the suitcase looked at by a local luggage retailer, Simpsons Limited, to see if they could repair it. They feel that they can only partially repair it (enclosed is a copy of their estimate), and they would suggest a replacement. I would therefore be pleased if you could reimburse me for the cost of a new suitcase as indicated in Simpsons' estimate. Due to the amount of damage to the suitcase, I was unable to travel from the airport by public transport as planned and had to take a taxi. I would also ask you to reimburse me for the taxi fare, which was £45.00.

Yours sincerely,

RichardTurner

Richard Turner

Simpsons Limited: Retailers of Quality Luggage

43 High Street, Ayresford W4 8RT

Tel: 01203 431796

Estimate of Repair

Date: May 17

Item to be repaired: Large dark green cloth suitcase manufactured by Crossleys, Ltd.

Nature of repair: Replace damaged latch, reattach handle

Estimated cost: £20.00 (but see note below)

Notes: Although the latch can be replaced, it will not be possible to reattach the handle securely (damage to handle attachment on suitcase body). The cost to replace it with a similar model is

£105.00 (Dixons executive suitcase, model X23).

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191. What is the purpose of the letter?

- a. **To report some lost property**
- b. To claim some expense
- c. To complain about a flight
- d. To request a copy of a form

192. Why did Mr. Turner take a taxi from the airport?

- a. **He had missed the last train.**
- b. He was late for an appointment.
- c. He was not feeling well.
- d. He could not easily carry his luggage.

193. Why did Mr. Turner go to the Simpsons store?

- a. To buy a suitcase
- b. To ask for a refund
- c. **To inquire about repair costs**
- d. To pay an outstanding bill

194. Which company made the damaged suitcase?

- a. Dixons
- b. Jetline
- c. **Simpsons**
- d. Crossleys

195. Why has Mr. Turner enclosed a document with his letter?

- a. To provide an example of a form
- b. **To show that a suitcase has been repaired**
- c. To support a request for reimbursement
- d. To suggest a store for Jetline to use