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Ricopiate obbligatoriamente le risposte sul foglio per le risposte.

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Modalità di compilazione del foglio per le risposte

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Correzione della risposta errata

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Risposta esatta ricopiata Firma o sigla

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Task 1

Questions 1-12

You are going to read an article in which people talk about their holidays when they were kids. For questions **1-12**, choose from the people **A-F**. Mark your answer on the answer sheet. There is an example at the beginning (**0**).

Summer Holidays

We asked some people to tell us about their holidays when they were kids.

A Joan	B Tony
We used to go to the coast for a week and stay in a caravan. It was either that or a tent, which we didn't fancy. We couldn't afford anything else. The beaches were nice, but the sea was freezing. It didn't stop us going in though. Looking back, it didn't harm us. The best thing was the fish. I can feel the taste in my mouth even after all these years. We didn't go out in the evenings. We'd just stay in and play cards and board games. The only thing was no pets were allowed, so the cat and dog stayed with my aunt.	My parents had bought some land in the hills. It had always been their dream to have a holiday home there. Every vacation, we'd go and work on it. My cousins would come too. The first year or two we had to camp in the open. Building the house was really hard and every night we'd fall asleep totally exhausted. It was good fun, though, and now we have a wonderful holiday home in the hills that we can escape to whenever it gets too hot in the city. It's even got a tennis court which I play on a lot.
C Andrea	D Ronald
My father had this idea that holidays should be educational. Every year when my friends were all on the beach, my sister and I would be dragged round the country in an attempt to improve our general knowledge. I remember one year we visited the cathedrals of the south-west region. My sister found it interesting, but I couldn't help thinking enviously of my friends enjoying themselves on the coast. It all went in one ear and out the other.	I would go and stay with my friends at their grandparents' in the country. It was like living in another century. They had no running water. We had to get it from a well in the garden. They didn't have gas or electricity either. Of course, there was no TV. Nowadays, such places must be very rare. However, it was great! We'd spend the days climbing the trees and swimming in the stream at the bottom of the garden. And the wildlife was amazing!



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E Benjamin	F Carol
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Times were hard and we spent the holidays at home. It didn't bother us, because as long as we had a ball we could kick it around all day. There was a field nearby and we'd play with other kids like us. It didn't matter if it rained. Anything was better than playing inside the house. Nowadays, when I work all day and find myself physically exhausted, I look back fondly on those times. However, at the same time, I do regret missing the opportunity to see more of the world as a youngster.

We used to go abroad to the south of France, which was a very modern thing back then. I remember that the neighbours were extremely jealous of us. My brothers and I loved it there. We'd play with the local children. It did wonders for our French, which was the only subject we didn't have to worry about at home. I remember thinking the place would be backward, but it wasn't at all. Mum and Dad loved the local food, although I can't say I was so keen on it myself.

Which person...

- 0** had to do physical work?
- 1** did better at school because of their holiday?
- 2** used to play indoors sometimes?
- 3** was jealous of other people's vacations?
- 4** enjoyed the food?
- 5** went with relatives?
- 6** didn't have very modern conditions?
- 7** had to sleep outside?
- 8** didn't have enough money to go away?
- 9** used to go sightseeing?
- 10** played sport?
- 11** went on a holiday that wasn't common at the time?
- 12** had the chance to see animals?

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Task 2

Questions 13-18

Read the article about 'Volcano climbing'. For questions **13-18**, choose the correct answer (**A, B, C** or **D**). Mark your answers on the answer sheet.

Volcano Climbing

Vesuvius was the first volcano I climbed. My father got a job in Naples when I was 13, and we lived in its shadow. As I climbed the mountain, I left behind the vineyards and entered a landscape without vegetation. The volcano, which had once destroyed the town of Pompeii, was now lying still and lifeless. At the summit, I stared into the vast crater, imagining it on fire, bubbling with magma. I felt as if I had entered another world, so different from my own, and it was this that was the start of an enduring love of volcanoes.

Some years ago, I had the opportunity to climb Costa Rica's Arenal Volcano, one of the ten most active volcanoes in the world. Until 1968, Arenal was thought to be dormant, but in 1968 it suddenly erupted, burying three villages. Today, this natural wonder is a natural attraction that has become the main source of income for the region. It spits out red-hot rocks and blasts columns of lava hundreds of feet into the air on an almost daily basis. This was an opportunity not to be missed. After more than 400 years of silence, the 1968 eruption took everyone by surprise. You have to admire the bravery of the locals, many of whom have little choice about living where they do. I guess they try not to imagine the danger, but I couldn't help feeling I'd joined them in a deadly game of chance.

Arenal is 1,657m high, and I was approaching the tree line, beyond which altitude sickness can finish you off. Suddenly, I heard thunder – or, rather, felt it. The ground trembled. I knew Arenal could produce lava that flowed downhill faster than a speeding car, and that I'd be toast if that happened. It's a mountain that deserves respect. I knew I was in danger; all my senses were screaming at me to retreat, but I couldn't help staying a little longer. Part of the attraction is being able to watch how these strange landscapes can change within minutes. As I finally headed for home, the great black cone of Arenal released another angry growl.

My partner and children know I always take care during my expeditions, and have no real fears for my safety. The following year, wanting to share the wonder I'd felt, I returned to Arenal and took them with me. While we were on its slopes, the volcano produced a series of menacing noises that terrified my teenage daughter. She now considers that moment a formative experience, one she'll never forget. I'd like to think the strong interest she's developed in geology was stimulated by that day.

My volcano-chasing has taken me to Easter Island, Guatemala, Chile, Bolivia and Costa Rica. I'm no thrill-seeker, and don't have a death wish – the idea of storm-chasing or riding giant waves holds no appeal for me. At the core of my interest is the urge to witness the extraordinary, to build up layers of experience I can draw upon later. Then, at work, in the middle of annoying projects, I can think to myself, "Yes, that's what it's all about, really."



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<p>13 The author was fascinated by Vesuvius because of</p> <p>A the scenery. B the danger. C its strangeness. D its power.</p>	<p>A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>14 The author wanted to visit Arenal Volcano because</p> <p>A it is active. B it caused a disaster. C it is a major tourist attraction. D it is a natural wonder.</p>	<p>A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>15 The author describes the people living close to Arenal as</p> <p>A surprising. B courageous. C unimaginative. D risk-takers.</p>	<p>A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>16 When Arenal trembled, the author did not run because he felt</p> <p>A ill. B afraid. C curious. D respectful.</p>	<p>A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>17 At Arenal, the author's daughter felt</p> <p>A safe. B afraid. C interested. D inspired.</p>	<p>A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D <input type="checkbox"/></p>



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18 The author continues to climb volcanoes because

- A** he gets to see the world.
- B** he enjoys the danger.
- C** it takes him far from his office.
- D** they are unusual.

A

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B

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C

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D

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Task 3

Questions 19-24

You are going to read an article about working at an animal shelter.

Seven sentences have been removed from the article. Choose from the sentences **A-H** the one which fits each gap (**19-24**). Mark your answer on the answer sheet. There are two letters which you do not need.

There is an example at the beginning (**0**).

Working with animals

I absolutely love animals and I've wanted to work with them ever since I can remember. When I leave school I'd love to go and study to be a vet, but I have to get the grades first. (**0**) I. That's why I decided to work as a volunteer helping animals at the local animal shelter. The shelter is a place for animals that have been abandoned or abused by their owners.

Obviously, I'm not able to do anything during the week because of school, which basically just leaves me the weekends. I work every Sunday and the occasional Saturday if I'm needed. It's an early start and I need to be there at six. (**19**) _____. However, it's definitely worth it.

When I get there I normally start off by feeding the animals. After that, it's time to clean out the stables and change the horses' hay before washing up the animals' bowls before their next feed. I also usually get to take out the dogs for a walk. (**20**) _____. It's good fun, though.

We have all sorts of animals at the shelter. To begin with, there are all kinds of farm animals like horses, goats and even pigs, as well as ducks and geese. On top of that, you've got all the pets, which means cats, dogs, hamsters and so on. (**21**) _____. Last year, for instance, we had a young deer that had turned up in someone's front yard. The occasional injured fox or rabbit also gets brought in from time to time.

I feel an enormous sense of satisfaction with what I'm doing. I really believe that I'm helping to make a difference. I get a tremendous feeling when an animal makes a complete recovery or goes off to a new home with owners who will treat it properly. However, it can sometimes be a bit sad as well, because you can get quite close to the animals. (**22**) _____.

In fact, the most difficult thing about the job is that you need to avoid getting involved emotionally. It can be very distressing when an animal gets brought in because it hasn't been looked after properly. Sometimes it's not the owner's fault. (**23**) _____. But it's particularly upsetting when an animal that has been deliberately mistreated comes to the shelter.

Unfortunately, many people don't think about how a pet is going to fit into their lifestyle. We've currently got a one-year-old sheepdog called Buster. His owners, a young married couple, bought him as a puppy. (**24**) _____. As a result, he ended up alone in the flat all day while they were at work. It just goes to show that you need to think carefully before you get a pet.



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- A The work can be extremely demanding physically and I was exhausted.
- B For instance, some people become too ill to care for their animals.
- C It can be hard work rising before the sun, especially on cold winter days.
- D Of course, they hadn't thought about his needs at all.
- E Sometimes we get more unusual guests.
- F That can be quite tough sometimes as they can be quite lively.
- G This is particularly true if they've been there for a while.
- H In fact, you wouldn't believe how cruel some people can be to their pets.
- I In the meantime, I thought it would be good to get some experience.

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Task 4

Questions 25-32

For questions **25-32**, choose the answer (**A**, **B**, **C** or **D**) that fits each space.
Mark your answer on the answer sheet.
There is an example at the beginning (**0**).

Switch It Off!

Television is a wonderful invention, I know, but I do **(0)** D people knew how to switch it off.
Yesterday I went to visit some friends whom I had not seen **(25)** ____ months. I had changed my **(26)** ____ and moved to a new flat and I wanted to **(27)** ____ them all my news. They asked me to come in and sit down but said almost nothing as they were far too interested **(28)** ____ a film on television. So for the next hour I had to **(29)** ____ the film. I stayed **(30)** ____ the end of the film and then I had to go. So much for conversation.

I love my television. It has taught me a lot about the world. It has shown me countries with very different **(31)** ____ from mine. It has enriched my life in many ways. **(32)** ____, it can become an obsession. We should not allow it to take over our lives. We need to know when to switch it off.

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- A** want
- B** prefer
- C** like
- D** wish

- A** ☐
- B** ☐
- C** ☐
- D** ☒

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- A** some
- B** since
- C** in
- D** about

- A** ☐
- B** ☐
- C** ☐
- D** ☐




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26 A work B job C occupation D business	A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D <input type="checkbox"/>
27 A tell B talk C say D discuss	A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D <input type="checkbox"/>
28 A about B for C in D on	A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D <input type="checkbox"/>
29 A watch B view C look D see	A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D <input type="checkbox"/>
30 A in B by C at D until	A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D <input type="checkbox"/>
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<div>31</div> <div><div>A habits</div><div>B customs</div><div>C behaviour</div><div>D attitude</div></div>	<div>A<input type="checkbox"/></div> <div>B<input type="checkbox"/></div> <div>C<input type="checkbox"/></div> <div>D<input type="checkbox"/></div>
<div>32</div> <div><div>A Indeed</div><div>B Therefore</div><div>C So</div><div>D However</div></div>	<div>A<input type="checkbox"/></div> <div>B<input type="checkbox"/></div> <div>C<input type="checkbox"/></div> <div>D<input type="checkbox"/></div>
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Task 5

Questions 33-40

Read and complete the text below.

Fill each space (33-40) with **one** word. Write your answer **only** here in this exam booklet.

There is an example at the beginning (0).

Space Monopoly

In the 1930s (0) ____ unemployed American engineer, Charles Darrow, invented the phenomenon that we all know (33) ____ Monopoly. The game contained huge amounts of fake banknotes and plastic hotels and, besides being a load of fun, it (34) ____ meant to help you sharpen your financial skills. The game soon became available (35) ____ versions based on many of the world's most important cities. You could slide along the board and learn about property markets in New York, Paris or London.

It has been one of the most popular games played worldwide (36) ____ since. And, believe it or not, (37) ____ is also a Star Wars Monopoly edition. You can choose from figures like *Princess Leia* and *Stormtrooper* and run around a board full of adventurous images. The game includes locations (38) ____ as *Endor Evok Village* and *Death Star Landing Bay* and gives you the chance to build colonies in space (39) ____ of hotels on Earth. Plus, you can find all the features keen Monopoly players have come to know and love, like collecting extra money when passing the "Go" sign, or receiving the ever popular card that gets you out of jail (40) ____ free.

0 ____ an ____

33 ____

34 ____

35 ____

36 ____

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39 ____

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1 punto (compila il valutatore)

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1 punto (compila il valutatore)

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