

**G R A M M A R**

**Fill in gaps with the correct forms of the verbs in brackets:**

At sixteen years old, John Johnson (1) .....(know) exactly what he wanted to do.  
He (2) .....(want sail) around the world. He (3).....(be sailing) small boats since he was ten, and at sixteen he (4) ..... (feel) ready to sail around the world.  
John (5) .....(set) sail December 1, 2012, on a ship (6) .....(name) Jenny.  
After 23 days he successfully (7) .....(reach) Hawaii where he stopped to celebrate Christmas holiday. In spite of all dangers, storms and lonely nights he (8) .....(be able) to survive in good health condition.  
After Christmas he (9) .....(continue) his journey across the Pacific. As he said, he (10) .....(will) possibly stop at Fiji (11) .....(enjoy) friendly atmosphere there and gather enough energy to successfully complete his mission. His plans for future are also quite clear. He (12) .....(intend) to study at Naval Academy and become a naval captain.  
He hopes, that by the year 2022 he (13) .....(finish) his studies and that studies and that (14) .....(be) the right time for him to get married.  
And now (15) .....(guess) what he thinks should be the name of his future wife!  
Jenny, of course!

**Points: ...../15pts**

**V O C A B U L A R Y**

**A. Choose the word which best completes the sentence:**

1. Do you know what the main characteristics of your \_\_\_\_\_ sign are?  
a) astrology    b) zodiac                      c) horoscope                      d) star
2. In the last century, it was widely \_\_\_\_\_ that Indian shamans were capable of superhuman acts.  
a) grasped    b) held              c) kept              d) done
3. He showed great \_\_\_\_\_ in selling his house when he did because soon afterwards the prices fell dramatically.  
a) prediction              b) forecasting              c) premonition                      d) foresight
4. Judging by the latest results the team look \_\_\_\_\_ to return without a single medal.  
a) convicted    b) forecast    c) doomed    d) sentenced
5. \_\_\_\_\_ of bees can be seen in the orchards in the summer months.  
a) Groups    b) Swarms    c) Flocks                      d) Herds
6. The tiger \_\_\_\_\_ round the village in search of prey.  
a) proved    b) roamed    c) prowled                      d) rummed
7. It is often difficult to \_\_\_\_\_ from young children exactly what their fears are.  
a) elicit    b) entice    c) find                      d) tempt
8. In some countries there have been widespread demands for \_\_\_\_\_ of seal hunting.  
a) extermination              b) extinction                      c) abolition                      d) annihilation
9. Opera singer was \_\_\_\_\_ by the reception she received from the audience.  
a) overwhelmed              b) deluged    c) inundated                      d) flooded
10. Champagne is a \_\_\_\_\_ wine, which originally came from the north-east France.  
a) gleaming                      b) sparkling                      c) glittering                      d) spinning

...../10pts

**R E A D I N G   C O M P R E H E N S I O N**

**A. Following text is jumbled. Write the number of paragraph (1 - 6) in the space provided, according to the correct order:**

**a) paragraph no.** \_\_\_\_\_

It is important to prepare the soil properly. You need to till the soil in the early spring and give it a boost or fertilizer. Many people buy a special machine to till and work the soil, but you can also work a little harder and turn the soil with a shovel, This works well if your garden is not too large. After you have finished turning the soil, add the fertilizer. The best fertilizer is the natural kind. You can buy manure in large bags and dump it on the garden. Then, mix the soil and manure together. Then, rake the soil in order to smooth it out and water it well. Let it sit for several days.

**b) paragraph no.** \_\_\_\_\_

More and more people these days are paying attention to eating healthy food. It is not surprising, then, that in the past few years there has been an increase in home gardening, People are interested in growing food at home. If you have never had your own garden, you may be a little bit apprehensive. Can I really do it? Can I grow fruits and vegetables for my family and do it the first time? The answer to these questions is, "yes." It is easy to grow your own produce, cheaper and also healthier to have freshly grown fruits and vegetables that have escaped many of the chemicals used on commercial farms. Follow these simple five steps.

**c) paragraph no.** \_\_\_\_\_

The next step is determining where to plant the different items in your garden. Take a piece of paper and sketch it out. Remember to plant corn at the back of the garden and all in one place. Allow about 6-9 inches between rows. Corn and potatoes will take more space because they will have to be hilled.

**d) paragraph no.** \_\_\_\_\_

After you have planted all of your seeds, you must next think about water. If you plant your garden in the early spring you will not have much trouble keeping it wet. The sun is not too hot and the soil will stay damp longer. If you plant your garden later, you will have to water it several times a day. You must use the gentle spray on your lawn sprayer. Keep the garden watered in this way until all of the rows of vegetables are clearly visible. Once they are visible, you can make small furrows or ditches and water the new plants from the roots.

**e) paragraph no.** \_\_\_\_\_

The last step is probably the most difficult. You must wait! Think about all the wonderful food that will soon grace your dinner table. And while you are waiting, don't forget about the water. A good garden digests plenty of water. Oh yes, did we mention the weeds? You will need to weed every few days. A healthy patch of weeds has been known to spoil an otherwise productive garden.. Good luck!

**f) paragraph no.** \_\_\_\_\_

Once you have decided where to plant your vegetables, it is time to plant. First you make shallow ditches in the soil. You can do it with the side of the hoe. Then you need to run water down these small ditches. Next, scatter the seeds according to the directions given on the seed packet. Once you have scattered seeds, cover them very carefully with a small amount of dirt and tamp the covered seeds down carefully with the side of the hoe.

...../3 pts (0.5 pt per correct item)

**READING COMPREHENSION - c o n t i n u e d**

**B. Following statements are true, false or not stated in the previous text. Choose and circle the correct option:**

1. Author recommends using a special machine for working in the garden.

**T**

**F**

**NS**

2. It good to use dung to fertilize soil.

**T**

**F**

**NS**

3. Home gardening can be cheaper than buying fruit and vegetables in the shops.

**T**

**F**

**NS**

4. Organic gardening is healthier that using artificial fertilizers.

**T**

**F**

**NS**

5. It is better if you plant and water the seeds immediately after mixing the soil with manure.

**T**

**F**

**NS**

6. Watering the plants is more efficient in the evening than in the morning.

**T**

**F**

**NS**

7. To achieve the good crop you have to remove unwanted plants regularly..

**T**

**F**

**NS**

...../7 pts

**L I S T E N I N G   C O M P R E H E N S I O N**

**Listen to the passage. You will hear it twice.**

**Then decide which of the following statements is correct.**

**Circle the correct option A, B,C, or D:**

**1. What should you do if you want to ask the staff in the College Office a question on a Friday evening?**

- A Wait until 8:45 on Saturday.
- B Wait until 8:45 on Monday.
- C Dial extension 230 on the telephone.
- D Go to the enquiry desk unless it is the summer term.

**2. Students with bicycles or motorcycles**

- A can park their bikes at the side of the College roads.
- B are not allowed to park bikes wherever in the grounds.
- C should purchase parking tickets from the City authorities.
- D must apply to the College Office for permits.

**3. On a weekday the first area of the College to open is**

- A the Enquiry desk.
- B the classrooms.
- C the dining room.
- D the students' common room.

**4. Students who are in the College dining room at 15:00**

- A are allowed to smoke.
- B can have something to eat or drink.
- C are not allowed to play musical instruments.
- D should not be there at all.

**5. What information is given about the fees?**

- A There are no fees for the classes.
- B Full details are available from the enquiry desk.
- C Full details are not available until the end of the Summer Term.
- D Fees for the coming year are not known yet.

**Total Points: ...../5pts**

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