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GRAMMAR

Read the text below and think of a word which best fits each space 1-15. Use only one word in each space. There is an example at the beginning (0).

A LUCKY ARREST

One of the world's most (0)wanted men was arrested yesterday in the heart of London. He had (1) hiding in an expensive flat near the British Museum for more (2) three months. Some residents of the exclusive (3) of flats noticed strange-looking people visiting the man who they found very suspicious. One night a young man coming home after being to the disco ran (4) a mysterious man, wearing dark glasses and a long, dark coat. He was talking (5) his mobile and the young man heard the words "bomb" and "kill". Another resident, an old lady suffering (6) insomnia, was looking out of the window at 3 in the morning and saw the neighbour get out (7) a luxurious car. In his right hand he was holding a gun, which he hid into his pocket as soon as he saw the lady was watching him. The police checked the man. It was difficult to find out the man's (8) identity as he had had plastic (9) The son of a wealthy businessman from Egypt, he (10) his country and family many years (11) to join a terrorist group. He is believed (12) have planned and taken active part in the (13) devastating terrorist attacks dating back to the early 1990s. Intelligence officials are proud of having arrested (14) even though a government spokesperson has kindly thanked for the crucial role played (15) the terrorist's neighbours.			
0 wanted	8		
1	9		
2	10		
3	11		
4	12		
5	13		
6			
7			

Total ____/15pts

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VOCABULARY

Use the word given in capitals to form a word that fits the space in each line. There is an example at the beginning.

Friends

As we know building up new (0)relationships is not always easy.	RELATION			
A few people are born with outgoing (1); they have a	PERSON			
(2) ability to make friends wherever they go. But not many	NATURE			
people are (3) at ease in a room or a place where there	COMPLETE			
are many strangers around. Most of us feel (4) when	NERVE			
we meet new people, and this can make us appear (5),	FRIEND			
when in fact we are just shy. In any case, the (6) of new	DEVELOP			
friendships is a gradual process – it does not happen overnight.				
Long-standing friendships (7) have several things	GENERAL			
in common. The friends enjoy the same sort of (8), and	ACTIVE			
share similar beliefs and values, they are (9) to one	TRUTH			
another, and they are also (10) of one another when they	SUPPORT			
have problems.				

Total ____/10

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READING COMPREHENSION (1)

Read the four texts about the people carefully. Then answer the questions and insert A, B, C or D in the space provided. Some of the people may be chosen more than once. When more than one answer is needed, these may be given in any order.

Meet the outdoors

A / Anna

My twin sister, Lucy, and I have identical interest in BMX racing. We got into riding competitions by accident really, when Lucy entered a cross-country cycle race and came second. She came home full of the thrill of it all, and started going regularly. I was bored staying at home while she was getting all the excitement, so I decided to take it up too. It didn't take long before I found the speed and element of danger it involved as exciting as she did. There are only about 20 girls who race in the UK compared to over 300 boys, but we like being treated the same as the boys. We're not stupid, but we do not like taking risks – and we both want to be BMX champions one day!

B / Jenny

In adventure racing, you're in a team covering vast distances out in the wild, doing different things – swimming, canoeing, running and so on. I had a very lucky introduction to it – I was a last minute replacement for someone in a team going to Nepal. I'd never been in an adventure race before, but I'd lived in Nepal for two years and done a lot of mountain climbing there as well as mountain biking and white water rafting. In the race, we covered 900 km and the winning team finished in just five days. Our team did it in seven, which wasn't bad, although of course it would have been great to come first. What I like about adventure racing is that you often compete in exotic places that you might never get the chance to visit otherwise. I also love the fact that it is a very friendly world – even the top athletes mix with the beginners.

C / David

My life long addiction to walking began when I was a child. I used to meet up with my friends and go on long walks. I remember standing in the country one day with everything covered in frost. Then the sun suddenly came out and all the frost melted off the trees in a matter of seconds. It was the sort of thing you'd never see from a motor car. That kind of experience made me the person I am. I still walk whenever I can, although I am often too busy for day-long walks now. My main concern now is encouraging people to take greater care of the world's most important and popular sites of natural beauty.

D / Laura

My dad and I wanted to do something different one weekend so we decided to try hang gliding, and my first lesson was brilliant! The more I did, the more I enjoyed it and soon I forgot to be scared. I started by taking off from small hills but now I can go as high as 100 metres and I'm getting more adventurous and confident all the time. It's not as dangerous as people think and I've never hurt myself doing it. My friends think I am crazy but I love the sense of freedom I get when I'm gliding up there in the air. Unfortunately, it isn't great for meeting people of my own age as most people I glide with are older than me, so I wouldn't recommend it for anyone who wants to find a boyfriend!

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READING COMPREHENSION (2)

0. Who talks about being concerned about the environment?		
1. Who enjoyed being taught how to do the activity?		
2./ 3. Who says they are different from most other people doing the activity?		
4. Who was suddenly asked to do something new?		
5. Who says that their activity has formed their characters?		
6. Who likes the way people of different abilities can take part together?		
7. Who finds the danger involved in doing their activity to be exciting?		
8. / 9. Who wants to be better than other competitors?		
10. Who does their activity less often than they used to?		
	Total 10/	

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LISTENING

You will hear an interview with a writer. For questions 1-5, choose the best answer A, B or C.

0. Alice became a writer because

- A she was always writing stories as a child
- B/ she wanted to do what her aunt did
- C/ she was keen to do any job that did not involve routine

1. What does Alice say about learning to be a writer?

- A/ The writing courses she did were a waste of time.
- B/ She learnt to write by doing it.
- C/ She found it harder than she expected.

2. What does she say has been a problem for her?

- A/ learning to use the computer
- B/ finding a reliable editor
- C/ promoting her books

3. What does Alice like most about being a writer?

- A/ the fact that she has become quite famous
- B/ the unpredictable nature of the work
- C/ promoting her books

4. What does she say about the money she earns?

- A/ She makes sure that she saves some of it.
- B/ She dislikes the system of payment.
- C/ She finds it difficult to live on.

5. What does she say about the travel?

- A/ She wishes she had more time for it.
- B/ She can't to afford to do it very often.
- C/ She feels it interferes with her work.

Total ____/5

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