

G R A M M A R

Read the article below. For each question 1 – 15 write ONE word in the space provided.

I recently spent two years (0) ___ the Arctic filming the series *Blue Planet*. I love being (1) ___ an environment that hasn't changed (2) ___ 20,000 years. Of course it's freezing, but it must (3) ___ a healthy place because you never catch colds.

When I'm filming, I like to really feel how lonely the environment (4) ___. Filming underwater involves cutting through thick ice (5) ___ diving in tied to a line. The person at (6) ___ other end has to be ready to pull you out fast (7) ___ necessary.

Originally I was (8) ___ research diver for the *British Antarctic Survey* project, (9) ___ for me science was not that exciting. I'd always enjoyed photography, and whenever camera teams passed through, they encouraged me to watch and learn. I was then able to move into filming in 1995 and (10) ___ concentrated on Arctic and Antarctic wildlife ever since.

I prefer to be face (11) ___ face with the animals I'm filming. I haven't got in the water with killer whales (12) ___, but I plan to. Of course, it's dangerous if you choose the wrong moment. They are big animals and can move fast, so I'd be stupid to film (13) ___ searching for food!

I've never (14) ___ problems with polar bears, although once I was frightened when one tried to get into my tent. Polar bears are bold, clever and dangerous. But I made this (15) ___ see I wasn't about to attack it.

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Total _____ / 15 pts

V O C A B U L A R Y

I. Match each adjective with its definition. There is one extra adjective.

<i>energetic</i>	<i>sociable</i>	<i>brave</i>	<i>creative</i>	<i>cheerful</i>	<i>enthusiastic</i>
<i>fit</i>	<i>hard-working</i>	<i>patient</i>	<i>organized</i>	<i>earing</i>	<i>well-educated</i>

A person who is

0. _____ *caring* _____ is helpful and sympathetic to other people.
1. _____ has a good education.
2. _____ is not lazy at all.
3. _____ is always lively and does not tire easily.
4. _____ is original, artistic and imaginative.
5. _____ is calm and does not get annoyed or frustrated.
6. _____ is friendly and enjoys being with other people.
7. _____ is healthy and in good physical condition.
8. _____ is interested in and excited about something.
9. _____ is always happy and optimistic.
10. _____ is not afraid of frightening or dangerous situations.

Total _____ / 5 pts

II. Complete the phrase with the correct verb. Use SAY, TELL, TALK or SPEAK.

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| 0. _____ <i>tell</i> _____ a story | 16. _____ “yes” and “no” |
| 11. _____ a lie | 17. _____ a language |
| 12. _____ a prayer | 18. _____ your name |
| 13. _____ the truth | 19. _____ rubbish |
| 14. _____ your mind | 20. _____ the time |
| 15. _____ a joke | |

Total _____ / 5 pts

READING COMPREHENSION (1)

Read the article and look at the questions below. For each statement, circle TRUE (T), FALSE (F) or NOT GIVEN (NG).

Goldfish as First Pets

The common goldfish is the most popular pet in the world. It also makes an ideal pet because it is so undemanding, hardy, colourful and gentle.

Goldfish introduce their owner to the responsibilities of caring for a living creature. They are also educational since this is a pet that lives in a totally different world to our own. People can relate to their goldfish, too; often “Goldie” becomes one of the family and could even live to see a future generation of that family because with proper care the fish can live for 30 years.

Every goldfish is an individual with its own characteristics. It can recognise its owner and will rise to be handfed. It is also the one pet that can safely be left when you go on holiday. It makes no noise, no mess, no smell and with a few simple rules will brighten any home as a living ornament.

Goldfish Origins

Goldfish are carp, one of the Cyprinid family, which includes many cold-water fishes. A cousin to goldfish are the larger and more colourful koi, but these fish should be kept in ponds. Goldfish originated from pond fish, too, kept as pets by fish farmers over 1,000 years ago in China. To this day, the finest examples of exotic goldfish are imported from China.

Help and Advice

Manufacturers of aquariums, fish foods, accessories and remedies often offer a free back-up service to help aquarists with any problems. For example, the author of this article can supply a free brochure on goldfish keeping, plus help and advice on all aspects of the hobby. The addresses of the various goldfish societies are also available, just drop me a line at the Aquarian Advisory Service, Waltham Aquacentre, PO Box 5059, Melton Mowbray LE 144 ZN. Don't forget to include your own name and address for the reply.

Fishkeeping is fun and can be exciting, especially if you join a club. Tanks are decorative and can light any dark corner of a room. Fishkeeping is also therapeutic; gazing into their silent world actually slows your heart rate, so calming nerves. But it is also a responsibility – a goldfish is for life.

READING COMPREHENSION (2)

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| 1. You have to look after a goldfish every day. | T | F | NG |
| 2. They are clean. | T | F | NG |
| 3. They are attractive decorations for the home. | T | F | NG |
| 4. Some goldfish might cost you a fortune. | T | F | NG |
| 5. They have their own personalities. | T | F | NG |
| 6. They only live for a short time. | T | F | NG |
| 7. They need special food. | T | F | NG |
| 8. They respond to attention from people. | T | F | NG |
| 9. All varieties will live happily in a simple bowl. | T | F | NG |
| 10. They are beneficial for your health. | T | F | NG |

Total _____ / 10 pts

LISTENING

You will hear part of a radio broadcast giving information about Bonfire Night celebrations in the local area. Fill in the spaces in the information sheet below.

PLACE	DATE	TIME OF FIREWORK DISPLAY	ENTRANCE FEE	
			Adult	Child
1. The Green Man	4 Nov	(1)_____	(2)_____	(3)_____
2. St Mary's Hospital	5 Nov	(4)_____	£3.50*	(5)_____
			*and includes (6)_____ and a baked potato.	
3. (7)_____	(8)_____	6 p.m. and 9.30 p.m.	(9)_____	£1.25 ⁺
			⁺ and includes (10)_____	

Total _____ / 5 pts