

**G R A M M A R**

**Complete the article by filling the gaps with the proper verb form or verb tense. Write your answers in the spaces below the article. Example: (00) was**

The reception area –00– (be) on fire, which meant the only way out –01– (block). Decker called 911 and reported the fire and calmly asked for the fire department to get there before he –02– (burn) to nothing. He peered around the edge of the hall to see the reception area filling up with smoke. Next, he looked to the ceiling. There were sprinkler heads mounted there. So why the hell –03– (go off, they)? He coughed and fell back from the flames.

Well, this told him that he –04– (be) right. There was something here that someone didn't want discovered. They –05– (search) the place, but out of an abundance of caution, they'd decided to then burn it down and somehow had disengaged the sprinkler system.

He retreated to Katz's office and looked desperately around. He was on the fifth floor, so breaking the window and going out that way –06– (go, not, cut) it.

He put all the items he'd found behind the panel in a cardboard box, ran into the workroom with it, grabbed bubble wrap off the shelf, and taped it all around the box. He rushed back into Katz's office, ran to the window and looked out to make sure no one –07– (walk) down below on the sidewalk. He picked up her chair, carried it over to the window and pounded it against the glass until the window shattered and fell away. He used the chair –08– (scrape) the rest of the glass away.

He looked down to make sure it was still clear and dropped the box. It fell to the sidewalk. He could hear the bubble wrap air pouches collectively pop when it hit the pavement. He –09– (be) concerned about anything in the box shattering on impact. Paper didn't break. But it was very windy outside and if the box had burst open, he –10– (run) around the city trying to find the contents.

The problem was, his opening the window had let the wind and, with it, enormous amounts of oxygen into the space from the outside. He turned and saw the flames right at the door of the office. Okay, this –11– (get) bad.

He heard sirens and the screech of brakes from below and saw two fire engines –12– (pull) up. He leaned out of the window and cried out, 'The fire –13– (come) into this space. I need to get out. Now!'

The fireman signalled to him and four of them rushed to one of the trucks and pulled out an inflatable jump cushion. Decker wondered when these guys –14– (do) their last refresher course on catching huge guys –15– (fall) from great heights. He hoped it was this morning.

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

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

Read the article below. Use the word given in CAPITALS at the end of each line to form a word that fits in the space in the same line. Write your answers in the spaces provided.

## Is Eating Bugs Good for Us?

Eating bugs offers many benefits for both people and our planet, as insects are high in protein, low in cost, eco-friendly and –00–. So why aren't we eating more of them?

TASTE 00 ...tasty.....

Insects as food are popular in many parts of the world.

In Europe, they were consumed in –01–, but since the Middle Ages, they have disappeared from our menu. Will they make a –02– in the 21<sup>st</sup> century? The European Union wants

ANTIQUA 01 .....

to promote eating bugs among its citizens as an ideal –03–

COME 02 .....

to meat. Of course, we already eat insects, –04–, possibly one kilo per year while sleeping or eating –05– food, such as bread, jams or beer.

ALTER 03 .....

INTENTION 04 .....

PROCESS 05 .....

Some 2,100 insect species –06– have been identified as edible, from leafhoppers to stink bugs. However, one should avoid eating brightly coloured, –07– or prickly insects, and most caterpillars as they may be –08–.

WORLD 06 .....

HAIR 07 .....

POISON 08 .....

Bugs are nature's perfect food as they're high in protein, with all of the –09– amino acids, and have as much calcium as milk, and as much iron as spinach. They are very –10– and low in carbohydrates. According to –11– of 'insect cooking', eating bugs is very healthy.

ESSENCE 09 .....

NUTRITION 10 .....

ENTHUSE 11 .....

Bugs are –12– and can be raised just about anywhere, using less water, land and feed than traditional –13–.

PLENTY 12 .....

STOCK 13 .....

Farming large animals generates a lot of –14– gases, and it takes thousands of litres of water to produce a single kilo

HOUSE 14 .....

of meat. Its production is a major cause of global –15–, so adding insects to diets will help fight this by reducing the

WARM 15 .....

need for conventional meat. In –16–, creepy-crawlies reproduce and grow very quickly – which is a –17–, once we realise that they could save us from starving when the world's population hits 9.7 billion in 2050.

ADD 16 .....

BLESS 17 .....

In Asia, crickets, roaches and worms are sold by the –18– as well as in elegant restaurants. Insects offer a whole

ROAD 18 .....

culinary experience. Many people are surprised by how good insects taste, and that they come in such a –19– of

VARY 19 .....

flavours. Grasshoppers taste –20–, while edible caterpillars taste like chicken.

SMOKE 20 .....

**Total Points: ...../10pts**

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

Read the following article about mass tourism in a previously tranquil village. For questions 01-10, decide which of the sentences (A-M) above the article best fit into each of the numbered gaps in the article. Write your answers in the space provided. There are three extra sentences.

Morris manor's neighbours in a fury

- A** when a private function is taking place
- B** to save the manor house from ruin
- C** being granted
- D** take photographs of our homes without our consent
- E** to restore the building's roof and leaning walls
- F** most visitors would access the site on foot
- G** to be 'not in my back yard' people
- H** giving up some luxury to cover more ground
- I** that would become clogged by traffic
- J** while keeping everyone relatively comfortable
- K** beloved by residents in the tiny neighbouring village
- L** what they have
- M** we will be able to save Kelmscott Manor from dilapidation again

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Kelmscott Manor in the Cotswolds, the former home of the Victorian designer William Morris, is a landmark – **01** –.

So when the building's owner won a £4.3 million lottery grant – **02** –, it should have been a source of celebration for the 100 locals in Kelmscott. Instead they are furious.

Villagers are aghast at plans to bring 40,000 tourists a year past their homes, protesting that it will turn their picturesque village of only 34 houses, one church and one pub, into a 'Disney-like attraction'.

The Society of Antiquaries of London owns the 16<sup>th</sup>-century grade I listed house, which it acquired from the University of Oxford in 1962. It greeted the award last month with 'relief and absolute jubilation that – **03** –'.

The money will be used – **04** – and deal with the infestation of death-watch beetle. There will also be a new car park and education centre.

However, a key condition of the cash – **05** – is a doubling of visitor numbers from the present 20,000. Local residents say that the village has only narrow single-track lands – **06** –, hampering access for delivery and emergency service vehicles. They add that it has few pavements for the thousands of visitors who would have to walk through the village between the planned car park and the manor house.

Residents wrote to the Heritage Lottery Fund to complain that visitors already treat the village like an extension of the manor's estate. 'They enter the Morris Memorial Hall building or garden – **07** –, they picnic within private hall grounds, enter individual gardens, – **08** –, they leave litter and other debris ... physically destroy verges and hedgerows by the volume of traffic and generally erode the peaceful tranquillity of the distinct rural nature of a hamlet such as Kelmscott.'

Laura Roberts, 62, a retired accountant who lives in Kelmscott, said: 'We're not trying – **09** –, but the village is already at saturation point.' She said that residents wanted the manor house to be restored but were concerned at expansion plans, adding: 'They need to conserve – **10** – without sacrificing the very environment that made it so idyllic for Morris.'

**Total points: ...../10pts**

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

You will hear five answers to seven of the following questions. For questions 01-07, match answers A-E. Those answers that you cannot match with a question are to be marked with an X.

- 01 Why do you keep a diary? .....
- 02 Do you edit your entries? .....
- 03 When and where do you write your diary? .....
- 04 Who are you writing for? .....
- 05 Has anybody read them? .....
- 06 How did your success come about? .....
- 07 How has your life changed? .....

**Total points: ...../5pts**

Participant Number: \_\_\_\_\_

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**VOCABULARY: PROGRESSIVE TEST**

List as many formal words together with their neutral counterparts as possible. You will score 1 point for every 5 correctly spelled pairs.

Example: *accord – agreement*

**Total Points: .....pts**

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