

**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) to be sacked**

**It's time women got fired up by failure**

When *Vogue* fashion director Lucinda Chambers was 'let go' by new editor Edward Enniful, she went down in a blaze of glory, going public about her sacking. It hurts – 00 – (sack) from your job. Even if you cover up, you're bruised and in pain. You might even want to wield your own axe and cut them down to size. For most of us, that's just fantasy.

Lucinda Chambers, though, took the nuclear option. Sacked as fashion director of *Vogue* after 25 years in the post – and 36 years at the magazine – last week she told niche fashion site Vestoj that, contrary to reports, she – 01 – (chose, not) to leave the company: she – 02 – (fire).

One of her friends (also recently fired) counselled Lucinda to stay quiet about what – 03 – (happen). 'The story should be that you – 04 – (have) the most incredible career,' was the advice. 'But I don't want to be the person who puts on a brave face and tells everyone, "Oh, I decided to leave," when everyone knows you were really fired,' said Lucinda.

I saw her just days before the story – 05 – (break). She was relaxed and chatty but – 06 – (empower, must) by the chance to tell her story her way.

Many people who – 07 – (sack), but get a pay-off with a gagging clause, don't even tell some friends the facts or emotional impact. As someone who – 08 – (be) through that ring of fire – sacked from the top of a big-selling women's magazine at 30-minutes' notice – I find that sad and wrong-headed. Research shows that women don't go for a job unless they have every competency for it, while men think possessing just over half the required criteria – 09 – (clinch) it. A high-profile male friend of mine had a fairly public sacking not long before mine, but where I – 10 – (hurt), he was angry. He's still happy to pour scorn on the man who – 11 – (axe) him.

A year after my dismissal, when I clinched another magazine editorship, I spoke to a newspaper about how demoralising my sacking – 12 – (feel). Close friends thought it was a 'car crash' interview, but I felt I was taking back a little dignity and also wanted to boost anyone going through the same thing. These days I run welldoing.org, a site that – 13 – (match) people with therapists and counsellors most suited to their needs. People come to therapy with all sorts of life problems, but perceived failure at work is certainly one of them.

Therapist Chris Gothard says we need to hold our head high after redundancy, but accepting help is key. If I had the chance to counsel my old self, still bleeding from – 14 – (reject), I'd simply say, 'Their loss, Louise. You – 15 – (go) on to much more interesting, worthwhile endeavours.' Eat my dust, boys!

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

**Olympiáda v anglickom jazyku, 28. ročník, krajské kolo 2017/2018, kategória 2C2 – úlohy****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.

Talking to Steve Wozniak should be a sanctioned sport.

Try to keep up.

In the space of seconds, you'll hear about his –00– for low-cost lodging (he's –01– to Motel 8 due to its free Wi-Fi), frustration with his slow at-home –02– (which monkeys with his beloved *Big Bang Theory*) and regrets about not buying a DeLorean in the '80s (though today he'd love a –03– car).

The scientist in Wozniak will capture your attention discussing his prosopagnosia, an –04– resulting in his –05– to recall faces. Then the '70s phone phreak in him will –06– steal your iPhone and command Siri to set a –07– call for 3 a.m.

Wozniak, better known as Woz, is the –08– of Apple with Steve Jobs and Ronald Wayne.

Woz has hit the media circuit to promote his –09– venture, the Silicon Valley iteration of Comic Con, the comic books meet sci-fi fan event that is yet another unofficial –10– of San Diego's movie-steeped Comic-Con International. Comic Con is –11– with the aim to bring tech to people in an interesting way.

From March 18 through March 20, –12– geeks of all stripes can venture down to the San Jose Convention Center for the first Silicon Valley Comic Con. Maximum capacity is 30,000 visitors a day, and organizers are planning for –13– crowds. That's perhaps not –14–, as staging a techie-themed event in this part of California is a bit like hosting a –15– festival for a room full of kittens.

The session that really has Woz jazzed is one –16– led by Alphabet X's Astro Teller titled 'Superbabies vs. A.I.' That may sound like a new Marvel Comics movie, but is –17– a look into the somewhat frightening intersection of –18– and artificial intelligence.

'Superbabies will have modified genes, a baby made to fit our –19–, but the question is, will they be so powerful that they will –20– A.I.? So which one do humans have to fear the most?' Woz emphasises.

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REQUIRE	19 .....
THINK	20 .....

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

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Read the article about how human ‘standards’ breed dogs with medical problems. For questions 01-10, decide which of the sentences (A-M) above the article best fits into each of the numbered gap in the article. There are three extra sentences.

- A** being overweight or obese  
**B** as dictated by breed clubs  
**C** are sustained commitment and action  
**D** what owners want  
**E** suffering from inherited conditions  
**F** makes breathing and cooling down difficult  
**G** who have long warned  
**H** as they grow old  
**I** those involved in breeding and showing  
**J** striving to show their perfect championship form  
**K** to keep their brains healthy  
**L** which control the ‘standards’  
**M** share the bulldog’s breathing problems and troubles

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As the Westminster Kennel Club Dog Show headed toward its conclusion Tuesday, a TV audience of dog lovers watched the best in breeds strut their stuff, – **01** –. And while the public was many lovely, healthy dogs in the ring, some breeds have paid a high price – a wide array of medical problems, even difficulty breathing or moving – in the pursuit of human-designed breed ‘standards’.

In some cases, beauty, – **02** –, has trumped health, and dogs are suffering unnecessarily. No breed better illustrates this tragic descent than the once-proud English bulldog, whose short, flattened face – **03** –, while its massive head, large even in puppies, makes natural birth all but impossible. Bulldogs often require caesarean sections.

Troubling conditions also plague other breeds. The pug and Pekingese, with big eyes and protruding eyeballs, suffer from eye problems and – **04** –. Breeds with deep wrinkles, such as the bloodhound and Shar-Pei, suffer from skin infections. Many German shepherds have poor gait and movement.

And the list goes on.

While the vast majority of pedigree dog owners don’t compete in shows, the ideals set in the ring influence – **05** –. Perhaps some breeds with the most severe problems are victims of their own success. The bulldog, which won Westminster’s non-sporting group Monday, has risen in the ranks to become America’s fourth most popular breed.

Many of the problems crept up on certain breeds, little noticed by the public but chronicled by veterinarians and geneticists, – **06** – that breeding for appearance and structure has, as one researcher observed, resulted in the ‘evolution of pure-breeds that are caricatures of the original breeds’.

The problem isn’t isolated to the U.S. Nor does it affect all breeds or breeders, many of them as passionate about health as appearance. But where the problems do exist, the American Kennel Club (AKC), which governs the sport of dog showing, and breed clubs, – **07** –, have long been in denial.

After a scathing BBC documentary in 2008, *Pedigree Dogs Exposed*, showed heart-rending scenes of dogs – **08** –, about 70 British breed clubs amended their standards, at least slightly. The Kennel Club, the British equivalent of the AKC, created an early warning system to identify health concerns. In Sweden and other Nordic countries, – **09** – have collaborated on health-conscious breeding strategies and identified 39 breeds as high-risk.

The AKC has recently taken some positive steps, such as hiring the organization’s first chief veterinarian. What’s needed now – **10** – to demonstrate that the AKC and U.S. breed groups can earn the title of dog’s best friend.

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

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

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**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 two ladies talking about being alone at Christmas. Match the statements with the names, using a tick ✓.**

**You will hear it only once. You will score half a point for each correct answer.**

Statements	Rebecca	Kate
01 Being by yourself before Christmas is painful.		
02 Being by yourself enables you to meet new people.		
03 It is easy to get to know new people as everyone is joyful.		
04 Not having anybody to buy presents for means not getting many presents.		
05 Being single, you are asked to justify your status.		
06 Santa doesn't give singletons more than a new pair of pyjamas.		
07 At Christmas dinner, not having your own kids means sharing a table with other people's kids.		
08 At Christmas time, being single limits your rights.		
09 Being single lessens the duties you have of dropping in on many relatives.		
10 Being a singleton at Christmas time should be enjoyed.		

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

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

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**VOCABULARY: PROGRESSIVE TEST**

List as many words connected with buildings as possible. You will score 1 point for every 5 correctly spelled answers.

For example: **skyscraper, hut...**

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

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