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1. (15B)

GRAMMAR

Complete the article by filling the gaps with proper verb form or verb tense.

A passage from a book

Erika binned the plaster and went back over to the white-boards at the back of the incident room. The whoosh of excitement she had felt earlier (00) had drained (drain) away. She felt exhausted. A low burn of headache (01)

was forming

(form) at the back of her head. She stared at the evidence: maps and pictures. She

needed sleep, and for that, she realized she (02) would need (need) to find a bed.

Erika (03) had been starving (starve) when she left the station so she stopped off at an Italian restaurant in New Cross and surprised herself by clearing a giant plate of spaghetti carbonara, (04)

followed

(follow) by a large wedge of tiramisu. It was just after nine when she turned into the road where Marsh lived.

Erika parked the car and found Marsh's front door, number eleven. She was pleased when she (05)

saw

(see) that the house was in darkness. She (06)

would much rather go

(get, would rather, much) a hotel for a few days whilst she looked for a flat than let

Marsh (07) take (take) pity on her.

She was about to turn round and go back to her car when water began to whoosh down an ornate iron drainpipe at the front of the house. A light clicked on in a small upstairs window and Erika (08) found herself squinting (herself, find, squint) as she was bathed in a perfect square of light. Marsh looked down from the window, and noticing her, gave an awkward wave. She returned the wave, and waited by the front door.

When Marsh opened the door, he (09) was wearing (wear) tartan print pyjama bottoms, a faded Homer Simpson t-shirt, and was drying his hands on a pink Barbie towel. 'Sorry, sir, I (10)

have left; 've left

(leave) it a bit late to come over,' said Erika. 'If you (11)

are staying; 're staying

(stay), could we close the door?' he replied. 'All the heat is rushing out.'

Erika was introduced to Marsh's twins. She (12) had never quite mastered (master, never, quite) how to talk to

children. They entered the country-style kitchen. A large fridge next to the door (13) was covered (cover) in splodgy paintings with splashes of random colour, all fastened with magnets. An equally splodgy painting (14)

dominated

(dominate) the wall above a wooden dresser.

'The flat isn't too far – Foxberry Road in Brockley, close to the train station. There's a contract, (15)

drawn

(draw) up on a rolling monthly basis, so we can decide how long we want this to last. Just give me a cheque in the next few days.'

2. (10B)

VOCABULARY

Read the article below. Use the word given in CAPITALS to form a different word that fits in the box.

The New Battle for Equality

There have been many casualties of Covid, and one of them is equality – women shoulder most of the domestic load and have been more **00** adversely (ADVERSE) affected economically. We're now into the third decade of the 21st

century, so why did it feel as if someone pressed a time-shift button when the Covid-19 **01** pandemic

(PANDEMIA) struck? Within weeks of the start of the first **02** lockdown (LOCK) in 2020, we seemed to lurch

back about 70 years. Lots of women lamented that it felt like being a 1950s **03** housewife (HOUSE), except

worse, if you had the added responsibility of holding down a job, too. **04** Suddenly (SUDDEN), many women

were expected to produce three meals a day, as well as **05** bearing (BEAR) most of the burden of home-

schooling. Male partners were often working from home **06** undisturbed (DISTURB), while women were doing

the vast majority of the **07** unpaid (PAY) work.

According to a survey in The Guardian earlier this year, more than half of British women get the sense **08**

inequality (EQUALITY) was being reinforced in January 2021. An ad exhorting us to 'Stay home. Save lives'

was pulled after an **09** outcry (CRY) that it was sexist. It featured illustrations of women cleaning,

teaching, ironing, and looking after children, while the only man lounged on the sofa. It's as if the stress dragged us back

to ancient stereotypes that were still lurking in our **10** unconscious (CONSCIOUS) brains. The only surprise

was that the woman wasn't making him a martini and bringing him his **11** slippers (SLIP).

When the UK was first locked down in March 2020, I **12** naively (NAIVE) assumed that fathers would step

up. Forced to share a home with their children all day, they would see for **13** themselves (THEY) the myriad

tasks of **14** childcare (CHILD), home-schooling, and domestic work that needed to be done and would split

them **15** equally (EQUAL) with their partners, **16** particularly (PARTICULAR) if those partners were also working from home. Silly me.

No wonder women's mental health has suffered so much more than men's. They have been more likely than men to feel

17 anxious (ANXIETY) or depressed, according to a huge **18** national; nati (NATION) survey conducted by University College London.

So why has the pandemic taken us so far back? Well, however far we've moved **19** superficially (SUPERFICIAL) towards equality between men and women, there still tends to be an authority gap between the sexes.

We think that men's careers must come first when a **20** choice (CHOOSE) has to be made.

READING COMPREHENSION

Read the following article about weather and pain. For questions 01-10, decide which of the sentences (A-M) above the article best fits into each of the numbered gaps in the article. There are three extra sentences.

- A to be a common trigger for migraines
- B whose study showed
- C being extra-vigilant about medication
- D why and how the weather affects so many conditions
- E to feel believed F how the weather influences our physical health
- G using a free app such as Manage My Pain
- H when it comes to humidity I our wellbeing is affected
- J which can irritate nerves
- K which also linked to their local weather station
- L that detects atmospheric pressure
- M the impact the weather has on our health

Hay fever sufferers are used to checking the Met Office's pollen forecast, but are we approaching a time when those with conditions such as arthritis, fibromyalgia, and migraine will look ahead to see if incoming weather is likely to trigger pain flare-ups? As more is becoming known about 01 I / M / A / G / C / F / L / K / H / B / J / E / D, we can use this understanding to better manage our symptoms, says Professor Will Dixon, who is leading research that may one day enable patients to access personalised pain forecasts.

We know that climate change is altering our weather, and researchers are now looking at the ways 02 D / B / L / J / A / F / K / G / E / I / H / C / M. For instance, hay fever season now starts earlier, as rising temperatures bring trees out of hibernation sooner than normal. And more heat-related illnesses are occurring than in the past; there are already around 800 deaths and 80,000 extra days spent in hospital every year due to the mercury soaring.

Extremes of heat or cold can affect heart health, even in people with no pre-existing conditions, and air pollution intensifies as the temperature rises, with serious implications for our lungs.

The good news, though, is that as science uncovers more about 03 D / M / H / K / E / G / L / B / C / I / A / F / J, it also reveals how to offset risks and sidestep triggers. Almost every week, someone in my clinic will say their pain is better or worse because of the weather, says Professor Dixon, 04 B / L / H / K / G / M / D / A / F / J / I / C / E how atmospheric pressure and high humidity and wind speed increased the chance of pain by up to 20% in those with arthritis, fibromyalgia, migraine, and neuropathic pain. More than 13,000 people across the UK took part in the research by recording daily symptoms on a smartphone app, 05 G / H / C / F / M / E / J / A / K / D / I / L / B. This research gave the medical community, which had often previously discounted weather as a possible trigger, scientifically robust evidence and enabled patients – 06 E / J / I / M / H / B / L / F / C / A / K / G / D when they described symptoms correlating with low pressure or humidity.

Questions about 07 B / A / J / G / C / L / F / H / D / E / M / I / K still need to be answered. Temperature is easier to understand, as ice packs and heat have long been proven as effective self-management options. But 08 A / F / J / E / G / B / D / M / C / I / H / K / L, science still lacks definite answers.

To discover to what extent your own pain is weather-sensitive, Professor Dixon suggests monitoring symptoms 09 G / A / F / L / M / C / J / D / I / H / E / K / B and adding weather information for your local area. If you find there is a correlation, you can use this information to manage flare-ups by rescheduling demanding days, 10 M / E / L / K / B / G / J / H / A / C / I / F / D, and practising the best self-care.

LISTENING COMPREHENSION

You will hear five texts A-E concerning ways to make love blossom. Match these texts with the statements below. Three statements do not directly match the texts. You will score five points.



1. Take it in turns.
2. Don't neglect the little things.
3. Ask meaningful questions.
4. See arguments in context.
5. Show your intentions.
6. See disconnection as a signal, not an alarm bell.
7. Have a little distance.
8. Make space for change.

Text A	7	5	8	2	4	6	1	3
Text B	1	2	8	5	7	3	4	6
Text C	3	5	7	2	1	8	4	6
Text D	6	4	2	5	7	3	8	1
Text E	4	8	6	2	1	7	3	5