

Read the text below and choose the best answer (A, B, or C) for items 1-3.

People began to drink coffee in the 9<sup>th</sup> century in Ethiopia and then in Egypt. When coffee first came to Europe in the seventeenth century, people had different opinions about it. Many doctors believed coffee was a strong poison. Others thought it was a good thing to drink coffee.

Coffee can actually act as a poison when it is given in large doses to animals. This is sometimes done in experiments to find out what drinking a lot of coffee does to people. Coffee can also have a poisonous effect on young children. But it is not dangerous for adults who drink normal amounts.

Coffee has a different effect on different people. Most people are sleepless if they drink coffee before going to bed while others have coffee at midnight and sleep like a baby. Some people even wake up in the middle of the night, have a coffee, and go back to sleep again.

1. The aim of this text is to
 

A. give information about coffee	B. advertise coffee	C. explain how to make coffee
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2. When coffee first came to Europe,
 

A. it was very popular	B. people refused to drink it	C. people were not sure about it
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3. Coffee is dangerous
 

A. in experiments	B. for children	C. at night
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Read the text below and for each gap (4-8) choose the best option (A-F). Use each option only once. There is one option you do not need.

A. role	B. traditional	C. music	D. career	E. prize	F. history
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Irene Papas is a Greek actress who has starred in over seventy films in a career which began more than fifty years ago. Sometimes, Papas also sings and has recorded (4) \_\_\_\_\_ by Mikis Theodorakis.

Papas was born as Irini Lelekou in Chiliomodi, a small town, outside Corinth.

Papas began her (5) \_\_\_\_\_ in Greece early (she was discovered by Elia Kazan) and she became famous there, before appearing in international films such as *The Guns of Navarone* and *Zorba the Greek*. She has acted in many ancient Greek tragedies and also played the (6) \_\_\_\_\_ of Catherine of Aragon in the film *Anne of the Thousand Days*, opposite Richard Burton in 1969. She co-starred in *The Trojan Women* with Katharine Hepburn who once said that Papas was "one of the best actresses in the (7) \_\_\_\_\_ of cinema"

In 1978, Papas worked with the composer Vangelis on an electronic version of eight Greek (8) \_\_\_\_\_ songs, called 'Odes', which was a great success

Complete the sentences (9-12) using the correct form of the words in parenthesis.

9. You need a lot of \_\_\_\_\_ to carry those heavy boxes. (strong)
10. What's the \_\_\_\_\_ between coffee and cocoa? (different)
11. She has a very nice \_\_\_\_\_ - she is very popular at school. (person)
12. Don't be \_\_\_\_\_. You can't leave without saying goodbye. (rudeness)

Complete the sentences with one of the following words. There is an extra one.

evolve - absorb - surroundings - altitude - insulation

13. Dry sand can \_\_\_\_\_ water.
14. Plants and animals \_\_\_\_\_ over millions of years to suit their environment.
15. We are now flying at an \_\_\_\_\_ 10.000 metres.
16. It's important that buildings should fit in with their \_\_\_\_\_.

Read the text and decide which of the two students mentions the following. Write (Y) for Yoko, (P) for Pierre or (B) for both.

Hello everyone! I'm Yoko, from Japan. The customs of my country are somewhat different from those of the countries of the West. For example, we bow to greet someone and we don't like standing too close to each other. You all know traditional Japanese dishes such as sushi, tempura and noodles and you probably know that we use chopsticks to eat our meals. Sports that are very popular in Japan include judo, kendo, karate and sumo wrestling, our national sport, which has a history of more than 1000 years! Young people also enjoy baseball, football, volleyball and tennis. Finally, two forms of Japanese theatre, Noh and Kabuki, continue to thrive in my country today...

Salut, I'm Pierre and I'm from Paris, France! Like Spanish people when we greet each other, we shake hands and usually kiss three times! The French love doing sport and keeping fit. Some of the most popular sports in my country are football, cycling, skiing and tennis. Culture and the arts are extremely important in our everyday life. We celebrate local festivals through music and dance throughout the year. We also appreciate a visit to the theatre, the opera or the many famous museums such as Louvre, home to the world-famous "Mona Lisa", or the Orsay museum to admire the paintings of Renoir, Monet and Degas, some of the greatest Impressionist artists...

17. "People in my country don't like physical contact". \_\_\_\_\_  
 18. "People in my country are keen on sports" \_\_\_\_\_  
 19. "People in my country like going to the theatre" \_\_\_\_\_  
 20. "People in my country like music" \_\_\_\_\_  
 21. "People in my country don't use knives and forks" \_\_\_\_\_

Choose the appropriate meaning of the phrasal verbs.

22. Have you made up with Mary yet?  
 A. become friends again    B. understood  
 23. He made up an excuse and left.  
 A. accepted    B. invented  
 24. She got up and made for the exit.  
 A. moved towards    B. arrived at  
 25. We could just make out the house through the trees.  
 A. see    B. build  
 26. The elements that make up culture are common for all people.  
 A. form, compose    B. cause

Complete the sentences with the appropriate form of the adjectives.

27. New York is \_\_\_\_\_ (noisy) than Agrinio.  
 28. The traffic in Los Angeles is even \_\_\_\_\_ (bad) than Athens.  
 29. In England, Chinese food is much \_\_\_\_\_ (popular) than Mexican food.  
 30. Oxford is not \_\_\_\_\_ (old) as Cambridge.  
 31. You can get the \_\_\_\_\_ (good) view for the London Eye.  
 32. The world's \_\_\_\_\_ (high) restaurant is the CN Tower in Toronto.

Read the interview on electronic games. Match the reporter's questions (1-5) with Steven Jacksmith's answers (A-F). There is one answer you do not need.

1. Electronic games have become very popular and teenagers are crazy about them! But are they so different from 'traditional games'? \_\_\_\_\_
2. How long have electronic games been around for? \_\_\_\_\_
3. Do all the games sell well? \_\_\_\_\_
4. Are electronic games good for kids? \_\_\_\_\_
5. Some people think that electronic games are dangerous. Why? \_\_\_\_\_

A. The first game was invented around 1947.

B. Some experts say that video games help children develop their character. If you want to win, you need to learn to be patient, and to play until you reach your goal...

C. There are those who believe that electronic games teach you to be violent and that overuse is bad for your eyes. So, yes to 'good' electronic games, but NO to overdoing it too much!

D. Clearly, you now need a platform. But you also need a joystick, one or more buttons, a mouse or a keyboard, and sometimes speakers or headphones.

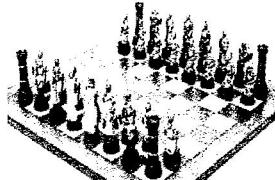
E. Well, not really. They are very much like the games children used to play centuries ago. The only difference is that now they are electronic...

F. Actually, two of the first and most successful games were Tennis for Two in 1958 and Spacewar in 1961, but now the most popular games are violent ones...

Read the article below and for each gap (6-11) choose the best word (A-G). There is one option you do not need.

A. than	B. more	C. much	D. best	E. over	F. later	G. with
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#### SURPRISING FACTS ABOUT CHESS

 Chess is more (6) \_\_\_\_\_ 1,500 years old and experts say it first appeared in India. It soon travelled to Persia, then to the South of Europe and, today, it has millions of fans all (7) \_\_\_\_\_ the world. The first modern chess tournament was organised in 1851 and the first World Chess Championship in 1886. The first computer programmes for chess players were made in the 1970s but Internet online games appeared much (8) \_\_\_\_\_, around 1995. One of the (9) \_\_\_\_\_ international chess players is Garry Kasparov. He won the World Championship 5 times between 1984 and 1990. In 1999, Kasparov broke one (10) \_\_\_\_\_ record: he played an online game (11) \_\_\_\_\_ a team of 50,000 chess players from 75 different countries. He beat them all after 62 moves!

Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verbs in brackets.

1. The Incas \_\_\_\_\_ (hold) a mystical fascination for people for centuries.
2. The Inca Empire \_\_\_\_\_ (last) only 100 years, from AD 1438 until the Spaniards came.
3. In 1532 the Spaniards conquered the Incas because they \_\_\_\_\_ (seek) riches.
4. Do you like \_\_\_\_\_ (travel) abroad?
5. I don't mind \_\_\_\_\_ (fly) at all.

**WRITING** : Write a short paragraph (about 60 words) describing your best friend.

Read the text and match a suitable title (A-F) to each of the paragraphs in the box.

**A. Agriculture    B. Oil companies    C. Cattle rancing    D. Mining  
E. Disappearing tribes and animals    F. Logging**

14. \_\_\_\_\_

In the past 50 years much of the rainforest in Africa and Asia has been destroyed. Large acres of rainforest are being cut down, often in order to remove just a few logs. Unfortunately, this means that there is a very high rate of extinction, as the tribes and the animals which depend on the forest then die.

15. \_\_\_\_\_

Many rainforests in South America have been burnt down to make areas for the feeding of animals. This is known as slash and burn farming and is believed to account for 50% of rainforest destruction. The farmers destroy the land and then have to move on and destroy more rainforest to create new cattle pastures.

16. \_\_\_\_\_

Wood companies cut down huge trees such as mahogany and teak and sell them to other countries to make furniture. The roads that are created in order to cut and remove the timber often lead to further damage.

17. \_\_\_\_\_

Much of the fruit, cereals and pulses we buy from tropical countries have been grown in areas where tropical rainforests once thrived. The forests are cut down to make way for vast plantations where products such as bananas, palm oil, pineapple, sugar cane, tea and coffee are grown. The soil cannot produce crops for long, and after a few years the farmers have to cut down more rainforest for new plantations.

18. \_\_\_\_\_

The developed nations demand minerals and metals such as diamonds, oil, aluminium, copper, and gold, which are often found in the ground below rainforests. The rainforests therefore have to be removed in order to extract them. The mining technique destroys all kinds of vegetation and animal life.

19. \_\_\_\_\_

Rainforests are seriously affected by oil companies searching for new oil deposits. The oil pipelines which transport the oil often break and burst, spouting gallons of oil into the surrounding forest, killing wildlife and destroying the water supplies of local villages.

#### Match the words.

20. play	_____	A. vegetation
21. recycle	_____	B. roads
22. make	_____	C. a role
23. cut down	_____	D. water
24. air	_____	E. habitat
25. natural	_____	F. pollution

#### Choose the correct form of the verbs.

In the picture there is a boy. He 26) *plays / is playing* with an animal. I 27) *am thinking / think* he 28) *is enjoying / enjoys* himself. I 29) *feel / am feeling* sorry for him because people 30) *are destroying / destroy* the place where he lives.

#### Complete the text with a suitable word from those given below.

I now know that there are people in the world who do not 31. \_\_\_\_\_ the same kind of life as I 32. \_\_\_\_\_. For example, there are tribes of people in South America and Australia, who live in mud huts. They do not have things like television or computers as we do, but I don't 33. \_\_\_\_\_ that this makes their lives any more difficult.

The clothes they wear are different from ours and I think this is very 34. \_\_\_\_\_.

31. A. are	B. have	C. can	D. does
32. A. do	B. live	C. like	D. am
33. A. feeling	B. thinking	C. think	D. understand
34. A. enter	B. interested	C. interest	D. interesting

Read the e-mail below and for each gap (1-6) choose the best word (A-G). There is one word you do not need.

A.	on	B.	just	C.	later	D.	before	E.	of	F.	there	G.	with
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Dear Mary,

How are you? I've got some good news. My parents are inviting you to spend two weeks (1) \_\_\_\_\_ the island of Kea! Would you like to come (2) \_\_\_\_\_ us? You'll have your own room. We'll have a great time! There are so many things we can do (3) \_\_\_\_\_! Don't worry about anything! (4) \_\_\_\_\_ take some summer clothes with you (5) \_\_\_\_\_ you come. It'll be hot!

My mum will call your parents (6) \_\_\_\_\_ today! I'm so excited! Kisses, Paola

Read the 4 texts below and choose the best answer (A, B, or C) for items 7-11.

**A.** Nowadays, a number of schools and universities offer courses that students can complete at home, thanks to the Internet! These students do not have to go anywhere and can send their projects and essays to the instructor by electronic mail. Very soon, they will also be able to use their computer at home to view and participate in classes. Good news or bad news?

**B.** This edition offers: 1) a clear introduction to Rome, its people and culture, 2) information and tips on what to see and where to stay, 3) most important sights and a number of 'classic' tours, 4) five easy-to-use street plans and detailed maps, places to eat, drink and stay.

**C.** Sneakers first appeared towards the end of the 1700s and were then called 'plimsolls'. Both shoes looked exactly the same and were not very comfortable. It was not until 1892 that a company produced rubber soles with cloth tops for the first time. And it was after some 25 years that sneakers, as we know them today, began to be mass produced.

**D.** **Yellow**, which symbolizes joy, happiness, optimism and hope was the most popular wedding colour in ancient Rome. **Green**, which symbolizes nature, health, good luck, youth and spring is the softest colour to the human eye.

**Red**, which symbolizes passion, heat, fire, blood, war, and everything intense, means happiness in Japan!

**Blue**, which symbolizes sky, water, cold, harmony, and truth, is the most common colour around us!

**Pink**, which symbolizes love and romance, is considered a girl's colour nowadays, but in the 1920s in the USA it was a boy's colour!

**White**, which symbolizes birth, simplicity, everything clean and good, winter and snow, is used in weddings in all European countries.

7. Text A is probably from

**A.** a catalogue      **B.** a brochure      **C.** a magazine

8. How does the author of text A feel about these new kinds of schools and universities?

**A.** She likes them a lot.      **B.** She doesn't like them at all.      **C.** She's not sure

9. Text B is probably from

**A.** a travel guide.      **B.** a geography book.      **C.** a leaflet.

10. Text C is about

**A.** who invented sneakers.      **B.** where sneakers were invented.      **C.** the history of sneakers.

11. The best title for Text D is:

**A.** People's favourite colours      **B.** Interesting facts about colours      **C.** Unusual colours

Complete the sentences with the correct form of the adjectives in brackets.

12. My digital camera is \_\_\_\_\_ (good) than yours.

13. This is \_\_\_\_\_ (bad) exercise of the test!

14. That car is \_\_\_\_\_ (expensive) than his.

15. The blue room is not \_\_\_\_\_ (big) as the yellow room.

**Read the texts below and choose the best answer (A, B, or C) for items 1-2.**

TEXT A	TEXT B
<p>You think that you know what you can take on an airplane with you and what you can't. But maybe you don't. For example, that you can't bring bottles of liquids on board with you, but you can carry stones and diamonds! You can't take bows and arrows, or knives but you can bring parts of a pistol! You can also bring musical instruments, knitting needles, parachutes and... pigs and monkeys of course!</p>	<p>Michel Lotito was an amazing entertainer. He*managed to eat 5 bicycles, 7 televisions, 5 computers, 1 vacuum cleaner, 2 beds, 3 children's scooters, a robot and... a small airplane in only 2 years!</p>

Match the underlined words and phrases in the text (items 3-7) with the definitions (options A-F). There is one option you do not need.

A.	To start a journey	_____	B.	To return	_____	C.	To stay somewhere	_____
D.	To come to a place	_____	E.	To like	_____	F.	To take someone to a place	_____

Just **(3)**got back from another trip – this time it was Morocco. Been busy but I've got a bit of time to write.

The trip was good. We (4)arrived in Casablanca late in the evening but there was a friend waiting to (5)pick us up, which was great. Casablanca is like any other big, busy city, with people rushing around everywhere. Lots of traffic and noise. We (6)spent a couple of days there sightseeing. Apart from museums, which I quite (7)enjoy (sometimes!) there was not much else to see, except the old market place. That's special.

Next day, we set off for Marrakech, which was more interesting. I'll tell you all about it when I get back. We're off to a little village now.

Take care!

**Use the correct form of the words in parenthesis below (8-9)**

8. Don't try to do everything at once. You can't do it all in 24 hours! You can start your day with what looks more \_\_\_\_\_ (interest)!

9. Finally, end your day with your \_\_\_\_\_ (favour) activities. Listen to music, watch TV or whatever else you like to do.

Complete the sentences with **one** of the following words. There is an extra one.

*species = area = rubbish = kinds = tribes*

10. Each year a(n) \_\_\_\_\_ of rain forest the size of Greece disappears in Amazonia.

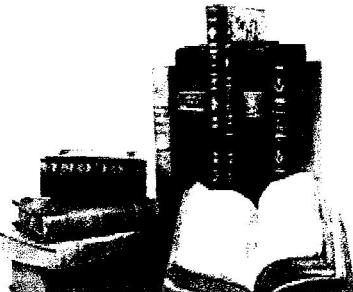
11. The \_\_\_\_\_ that people throw out causes terrible problems of pollution.

12. The Lecythidaceae tree is \_\_\_\_\_ of tree which only exists in Amazonia.

13. Some of the \_\_\_\_\_ of Amazonia have never met people like you.

**WRITING 2:** Using information from the text below, write an **announcement** (about 40 words) for the news section of your school website. The announcement should **inform** the readers about a book exhibition taking place in Athens.

ΤΟ ΕΛΛΗΝΙΚΟ ΠΑΖΑΡΙ ΒΙΒΛΙΟΥ



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**LISTENING 1:** Listen and choose the best answer for each item.

1. The speaker talking about Shakespeare is
  - A. An English teacher
  - B. a theatre representative
  - C. a famous actress
2. In Shakespeare's time, on Twelfth Night people
  - A. went to church
  - B. visited their families
  - C. had parties
3. In Shakespeare's time, people who went to see the play "Twelfth Night" could expect to see
  - A. a comedy
  - B. a tragedy
  - C. a historical play

**LISTENING 2:** Solve the **GEOGRAPHY QUIZ**. Listen and fill in the blanks (1-3) with the correct word. You are given the first letter of each missing word.

1) H \_\_\_\_\_

2) I \_\_\_\_\_

3) F \_\_\_\_\_

**LISTENING 3:** Match what each speaker says (items 4-8) with the signs (A-F). There is one extra sign.

4.	A	<input type="checkbox"/>	B	<input type="checkbox"/>	C	<input type="checkbox"/>	D	<input type="checkbox"/>	E	<input type="checkbox"/>	F	<input type="checkbox"/>
5.	A	<input type="checkbox"/>	B	<input type="checkbox"/>	C	<input type="checkbox"/>	D	<input type="checkbox"/>	E	<input type="checkbox"/>	F	<input type="checkbox"/>
6.	A	<input type="checkbox"/>	B	<input type="checkbox"/>	C	<input type="checkbox"/>	D	<input type="checkbox"/>	E	<input type="checkbox"/>	F	<input type="checkbox"/>
7.	A	<input type="checkbox"/>	B	<input type="checkbox"/>	C	<input type="checkbox"/>	D	<input type="checkbox"/>	E	<input type="checkbox"/>	F	<input type="checkbox"/>
8.	A	<input type="checkbox"/>	B	<input type="checkbox"/>	C	<input type="checkbox"/>	D	<input type="checkbox"/>	E	<input type="checkbox"/>	F	<input type="checkbox"/>

A.		B.		C.	
D.		E.		F.	

16. Is this \_\_\_\_\_ (cheap) phone you have?

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**LISTENING:** Listen and fill in gaps with the right word, as in the example.

<b>EX.</b>	Magazines about BABIES
<b>A.</b>	Magazines about F
<b>B.</b>	Magazines about S
<b>C.</b>	Magazines about P

**LISTENING 2:** Listen to the two dialogues and choose the best answer (A, B, or C) for items 4-5.

(DIALOGUE 1)

1) Sam woke up at night because he was      A. thirsty      B. hungry      C. scared

(DIALOGUE 2)

2) The two people are probably

- A. a father and his child
- B. two teachers
- C. a coach and an athlete.

**LISTENING 3:** Why are they calling? Read options A-D, listen to the phone messages (3-5), and choose the best option for each message. There is one option you do not need.

A. Ο φίλος του ξέχασε κάτι στο σπίτι του.  
B. Ζητά συγνώμη που έχασε κάτι.  
C. Λέει στο γιο της να γυρίσει σπίτι αμέσως.  
D. Ζητά από τη φίλη της να την βοηθήσει.

~~STENNER~~ Solve the GEOGRAPHY QUIZ. Listen and fill in the blanks (6-8) with the correct word. You are given the first letter of each missing word.

6) H —  7) I —  8) F — 

**WRITING** Your friend Paul isn't doing well in school and needs help. Write a message to him (about 40 words) and tell him what he should do. Use the tips below.

<b>TIPS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ ask the teacher to explain</li><li>➤ use the Internet to look for more information</li><li>➤ take notes</li><li>➤ study with a friend</li></ul>
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**WRITING 2** Write a short e-mail (about 60 words) to your new penpal and present yourself.

**Write (about):**

- *your name and how old you are*
- *the place where you live*
- *your school and your favourite subject*
- *your hobbies*
- *your family*
- *and your best friend*