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PART 1 · QUESTIONS 1-8

MULTIPLE-CHOICE CLOZE

01

The appeal of local history walks

INSTRUCTIONS

For questions 1–8, read the text below and decide which answer (A, B, C or D) best fits each gap.

The appeal of local history walks

Guided history walks have become increasingly common in towns and cities. Unlike visits to a museum, they allow people to explore stories in the exact places where events happened.

A good guide does more than simply (1) _____ information. The information has to be connected to buildings, streets and people in a way that keeps an audience interested. Guides often draw (2) _____ old photographs or newspaper reports to help listeners imagine how an area once looked. They may also point (3) _____ small details that passers-by would normally miss, while the most successful walks usually avoid trying to (4) _____ too much material into a short period. Instead, they focus on a few strong stories and leave time for questions. Weather can have an effect (5) _____ attendance, so organisers often prepare an alternative plan. Even when residents already know the area well, a walk can make them see familiar streets in a new (6) _____. It may also (7) _____ their curiosity about other parts of the town and encourage them to find (8) _____ more for themselves.

CHOOSE A, B, C OR D

No.	A	B	C	D
1	make	set	give	take
2	from	at	with	on
3	up	out	over	off
4	press	hold	pack	fill
5	to	on	for	with
6	view	way	side	light
7	lift	arouse	bring	wake
8	up	off	out	over

PART 2 · QUESTIONS 9–16

OPEN CLOZE

02

Making Offices Quieter

INSTRUCTIONS

For questions 9–16, read the text below and think of the word which best fits each gap. Use only one word in each gap.

Write your answers in capital letters.

Making Offices Quieter

Open-plan offices were designed to make communication easier, but many workers find constant noise distracting.

Some companies are now creating quiet zones where phone calls and meetings are not allowed. These areas are intended for tasks (9) _____ require long periods of focus. A quiet room can also give people a place to read or think for a few minutes. Employees can move there when they need to work without (10) _____ interrupted. The idea sounds simple, but it only works if everyone understands (11) _____ the space is for and respects the rules.

Other solutions include sound-absorbing materials and small rooms for video calls. Managers are also encouraged to think (12) _____ whether every conversation needs to happen at a desk. Managers sometimes move a short meeting to another area (13) _____ that others do not lose focus. Quiet spaces should not, however, be used (14) _____ place of collaboration. Most people need both interaction and periods of uninterrupted work. The challenge is to provide enough choice (15) _____ employees to use the environment in whatever way they see (16) _____.

YOUR ANSWERS

9	_____	10	_____
11	_____	12	_____
13	_____	14	_____
15	_____	16	_____

PART 3 · QUESTIONS 17–24

WORD FORMATION

03

Citizen Science and Garden Birds

INSTRUCTIONS

For questions 17–24, read the text below. Use the word given in capitals to form a word that fits each gap. Write your answers in capital letters.

Citizen Science and Garden Birds

Bird surveys run by research groups often depend on ordinary people noting what they see in gardens and parks. One sighting may seem unimportant, but thousands of records collected over the same weekend can reveal changes in bird (17) _____ over time. The success of such projects depends on clear advice and accurate (18) _____ of species.

Volunteers do not need expert knowledge, although some early (19) _____ is useful before they start. Online guides help people tell apart birds with similar colours or songs, cutting the risk of (20) _____. Researchers then combine the records and look for (21) _____ patterns, such as changes linked to weather or food. The wide (22) _____ of volunteer surveys would be hard for a small paid team to achieve. The people who take part benefit too: many report becoming more (23) _____ to wildlife around them. Their continued (24) _____ gives scientists a useful source of long-term data.

No.	Base word	Your answer
17	DISTRIBUTE	_____
18	IDENTIFY	_____
19	TRAIN	_____
20	CONFUSE	_____
21	SIGNIFY	_____
22	COVER	_____
23	ATTEND	_____
24	INVOLVE	_____

PART 4 · QUESTIONS 25-30

KEY WORD TRANSFORMATIONS

04

Key Word Transformations – B2 Test 15

INSTRUCTIONS

For questions 25–30, complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the word given. Do not change the word given. Use between two and five words, including the word given.

- 25 The organisers cancelled the outdoor concert because of the storm.

CALLED

The organisers _____ because of the storm.

- 26 My parents do not permit me to use their car at night.

ALLOWED

I am not _____ their car at night.

- 27 "You should see a dentist," my sister said.

ADVISED

My sister _____ a dentist.

- 28 It is impossible for me to finish this today.

WAY

There _____ I can finish this today.

- 29 I only told you because I trust you.

TOLD

If I did not trust you, I _____ you.

- 30 This drink contains no added sugar.

ANY

This drink _____ added sugar.

Before checking: read each complete sentence again and check the meaning, grammar and word count.

PRACTICE TEST 15 · REVIEW

ANSWER KEY



Accepted answers are shown where more than one form is valid.

01 MULTIPLE-CHOICE CLOZE

- | | | | |
|------------|-------------|--------------|------------|
| 1 C · give | 2 D · on | 3 B · out | 4 C · pack |
| 5 B · on | 6 D · light | 7 B · arouse | 8 C · out |

02 OPEN CLOZE

- 9 THAT / WHICH
- 10 BEING
- 11 WHAT
- 12 ABOUT
- 13 SO
- 14 IN
- 15 FOR
- 16 FIT

03 WORD FORMATION

- 17 DISTRIBUTION
- 18 IDENTIFICATION
- 19 TRAINING
- 20 CONFUSION
- 21 SIGNIFICANT
- 22 COVERAGE
- 23 ATTENTIVE
- 24 INVOLVEMENT

04 KEY WORD TRANSFORMATIONS

- 25 CALLED THE CONCERT OFF
- 26 ALLOWED TO USE
- 27 ADVISED ME TO SEE
- 28 IS NO WAY THAT / IS NO WAY IN WHICH
- 29 WOULD NOT HAVE TOLD
- 30 DOES NOT CONTAIN ANY

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