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B2

Practice test 09

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PART 1 · QUESTIONS 1-8

MULTIPLE-CHOICE CLOZE

01

Small gardens for wildlife

INSTRUCTIONS

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

Small gardens for wildlife

A garden does not have to be large to support wildlife. Even a balcony or tiny yard can provide food and shelter for insects and birds if it is planned carefully.

One useful step is to grow plants that (1) _____ into flower at different times of year. This gives insects a more reliable (2) _____ of food. Gardeners are also encouraged to leave a small area (3) _____ rather than keeping every corner perfectly tidy. Fallen leaves and hollow stems can offer hiding places to many species, and water can make a significant (4) _____, too. A shallow container is often enough, provided that animals can get in and out (5) _____. Chemicals should be used with care because they may have an effect (6) _____ creatures that were not the intended target; above all, wildlife gardening involves being (7) _____. Changes may not be immediate, but over time a greater variety of visitors is likely to (8) _____ up.

CHOOSE A, B, C OR D

No.	A	B	C	D
1	go	come	turn	grow
2	supply	origin	source	base
3	untouched	unopened	unfinished	uncertain
4	change	result	effect	difference
5	strongly	easily	deeply	widely
6	on	to	for	with
7	steady	calm	patient	quiet
8	turn	come	bring	show

PART 2 · QUESTIONS 9–16

OPEN CLOZE

02

Mapping Local Food

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.

Mapping Local Food

A group of volunteers in one city has created an online map showing where locally produced food can be bought.

The project began when its organisers realised that (9) _____ was no simple list of small independent producers. They contacted farms, bakeries and market stalls and asked (10) _____ or not they would like to appear on the map. Businesses do not have to pay, provided the products they list contain ingredients (11) _____ the surrounding region. Users can search according (12) _____ product type or location.

The map has become useful for visitors as (13) _____ as residents. It also gives small producers a way of reaching customers who might never have come (14) _____ them before. Because information can become outdated, every entry is checked at least once (15) _____ year. The organisers say the project will continue for as long as people find it useful, and they hope other towns will develop similar maps of their (16) _____.

YOUR ANSWERS

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

PART 3 · QUESTIONS 17–24

WORD FORMATION

03

Restoring Urban Rivers

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.

Restoring Urban Rivers

In many cities, rivers that were once hidden inside concrete channels are being brought back into the open. These projects, which often take several years to complete, aim to improve water quality and create more (17) _____ habitats for wildlife. Removing hard barriers can also allow rivers to move more (18) _____, reducing the speed of floodwater after heavy rain.

Restoration is rarely a simple process. Engineers must consider nearby roads and buildings, while ecologists study the likely (19) _____ of any changes on fish and plants. Public (20) _____ is also important because construction can temporarily disrupt local life. When projects succeed, however, the results can be (21) _____. New paths encourage walking and cycling, and access to water may improve residents' sense of (22) _____. Some schemes have even led to the (23) _____ of species that had disappeared from the area. For planners, the long-term (24) _____ is to make rivers part of the city again.

No.	Base word	Your answer
17	VARIETY	_____
18	NATURE	_____
19	EFFECTIVE	_____
20	ACCEPT	_____
21	DRAMA	_____
22	SECURE	_____
23	REAPPEAR	_____
24	AMBITIOUS	_____

PART 4 · QUESTIONS 25-30

KEY WORD TRANSFORMATIONS

04

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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 I cannot tolerate his constant interruptions any longer.

PUT

I cannot _____ interruptions any longer.

- 26 The rules prevented us from entering through that gate.

ABLE

Because of the rules, we were not _____ that gate.

- 27 The instructions were so unclear that nobody understood them.

UNCLEAR

The instructions were _____ understand.

- 28 I do not think buying another printer is worthwhile.

POINT

I _____ another printer.

- 29 No other student got a higher score than Nina.

SCORE

Nina got _____ the class.

- 30 Although he was tired, Dan continued working.

SPITE

Dan continued working _____ tired.

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

PRACTICE TEST 09 · REVIEW

ANSWER KEY



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

01 MULTIPLE-CHOICE CLOZE

- | | | | |
|--------------|--------------|-----------------|------------------|
| 1 B · come | 2 C · source | 3 A · untouched | 4 D · difference |
| 5 B · easily | 6 A · on | 7 C · patient | 8 D · show |

02 OPEN CLOZE

- 9 THERE
- 10 WHETHER
- 11 FROM
- 12 TO
- 13 WELL
- 14 ACROSS
- 15 A
- 16 OWN

03 WORD FORMATION

- 17 VARIED
- 18 NATURALLY
- 19 EFFECT / EFFECTS
- 20 ACCEPTANCE
- 21 DRAMATIC
- 22 SECURITY
- 23 REAPPEARANCE
- 24 AMBITION

04 KEY WORD TRANSFORMATIONS

- 25 PUT UP WITH HIS CONSTANT
- 26 ABLE TO ENTER THROUGH
- 27 TOO UNCLEAR FOR ANYONE TO
- 28 SEE NO POINT IN BUYING
- 29 THE HIGHEST SCORE IN
- 30 IN SPITE OF BEING

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