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C1 ADVANCED

Use of English

Practice Test 8



PART 1

QUESTIONS
1-8

MULTIPLE-CHOICE CLOZE

Dinosaur model sparks police response

INSTRUCTIONS

For questions 1-8, choose the option which best completes the text.

Police in Devon, UK, recently launched an urgent response to reports of a huge model dinosaur spotted in the area. Armed officers, and even a helicopter, were (1) _____ following a call from a member of the public, who had caught sight of a creature while cycling near the town of Kingsbridge. However, the creature (2) _____ out to be a film prop made by designer Julia Mason.

On hearing that police were investigating a dinosaur on the (3) _____, Ms Mason set off towards her model. 'Out of the nearby woodland came a large group of armed officers, who by then knew that it was all a false alarm.' That model, which had (4) _____ the same spot close to a cycleway for nearly two weeks, was designed to look realistic. (5) _____, it had never previously been reported as (6) _____ a threat to the public. Police confirmed that armed officers had attended the scene as a (7) _____ and, following a search of the area, had (8) _____ that there was no risk to the public.

GAP	A	B	C	D
1	put forward	drawn on	taken up	brought in
2	turned	ended	came	got
3	clear	open	loose	free
4	occupied	stood	remained	stayed
5	Therefore	Otherwise	Hence	Nonetheless
6	staging	offering	posing	triggering
7	security	precaution	defence	protection
8	settled	exposed	authorised	established



PART 2

QUESTIONS
9-16

OPEN CLOZE

An online platform for live musicians

INSTRUCTIONS

For questions 9-16, write one word in each gap.

The inspiration for his music platform called STAGE came to Daniel Harris when he was organising his own wedding. Browsing the internet (9) _____ search of music by independent local performers, he could find (10) _____ single site able to meet his needs. His frustration was (11) _____ sparked the idea for the platform, which puts independent musicians in touch with consumers who are on the lookout for jazz, folk or acoustic music. On the (12) _____ hand, STAGE helps consumers find performers not widely represented, whilst giving budding musicians a public profile on the other. STAGE's platform works (13) _____ any booking website, but with a personal twist. Once a customer has booked an act through the website, Daniel gives the performer a call to ascertain how long preparation will take. In order to prepare a unique performance (14) _____ scratch, the musician needs time, (15) _____ keen customers are to receive a recording. As long as Daniel makes the customer (16) _____ of this in advance, everything works out fine.

ANSWER GRID

9		13	
10		14	
11		15	
12		16	



PART 3

QUESTIONS
17-24

WORD FORMATION

Temporary festival decorations are nothing new

INSTRUCTIONS

For questions 17-24, use the word given in capitals to form a word that fits the gap.

Many people probably consider temporary festival decorations to be a modern invention. However, the Romans, one of the most influential civilisations in Europe, were making paper decorations two millennia ago. Their disposable painted ornaments were popular at large social (17) _____ for the chance they offered the organisers to display their wealth and (18) _____. At a recent museum exhibition designed to show the (19) _____ of event-related waste, one of the Roman ornaments was displayed alongside modern festival decorations. The (20) _____ of the ancient object among the more recent displays was deliberately thought-provoking. The designers' aim was to make organisers consider their (21) _____ with materials, and to think creatively about reducing the amount they discard. They hoped that this would prove more (22) _____ than making people feel guilty. As one designer points out, for festivals, creating waste is simply (23) _____. The short life of banners, lights and other temporary objects means that waste is often an inevitable result of their (24) _____ at large public festivals.

QUESTION	BASE WORD	YOUR ANSWER
17	GATHER	
18	SOPHISTICATED	
19	EXTEND	
20	INCLUDE	
21	RELATE	
22	FRUIT	
23	AVOID	
24	EXIST	



PART 4

QUESTIONS
25-30

KEY WORD TRANSFORMATION

Key Word Transformations - Test 8

INSTRUCTIONS

For questions 25-30, complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the word given. Use between 3 and 8 words.

25 The parcel should have been delivered yesterday.

OUGHT

The parcel _____ delivered yesterday.

26 Nina opened the window without asking us.

LIBERTY

Nina _____ the window without asking us.

27 The captain refused to admit responsibility for the navigation error.

BLAME

The captain refused _____ the navigation error.

28 You may use the studio provided that it has no other bookings.

THERE

You may use the studio as _____ other bookings.

29 The new rule should end this type of nuisance.

STOP

The new rule should put _____ of nuisance.

30 People claimed that the official had committed the offence years earlier.

ALLEGED

The official _____ the offence years earlier.



ANSWER KEY

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INSTRUCTIONS

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

PART 1 | MULTIPLE-CHOICE CLOZE

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

PART 2 | OPEN CLOZE

9	IN
10	NO
11	WHAT
12	ONE
13	LIKE
14	FROM
15	HOWEVER
16	AWARE

PART 3 | WORD FORMATION

17	GATHERINGS
18	SOPHISTICATION
19	EXTENT
20	INCLUSION
21	RELATIONSHIP
22	FRUITFUL
23	UNAVOIDABLE
24	EXISTENCE

PART 4 | KEY WORD TRANSFORMATION

25	OUGHT TO HAVE BEEN
26	TOOK THE LIBERTY OF OPENING
27	TO ACCEPT THE BLAME FOR
28	LONG AS THERE ARE NO
29	A STOP TO THIS KIND
30	WAS ALLEGED TO HAVE COMMITTED