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A  Listen to a conversation between Tyler and Alexis about a visit to a miniature museum. Choose the correct answers.

- 1 What does Tyler say about the Gulliver's Gate museum?
 - A** It has miniature versions of all the most important sights in the world.
 - B** Not all the miniatures that can be found there are of cities as they are now.
 - C** It is located on the outskirts of New York.
- 2 What does Tyler say about the cities represented in the museum?
 - A** They were crafted by artists from New York.
 - B** His sister thought Paris was the best.
 - C** His sister claimed to have seen more than he did.
- 3 According to Tyler, ...
 - A** he was able to control boats using his interactive key.
 - B** the museum contains moving miniature planes, trains, and boats.
 - C** there are 1,000 trains in the exhibition.
- 4 Regarding the children in the museum, Tyler says that ...
 - A** they enjoyed the interactive elements.
 - B** they could not always find things they were looking for.
 - C** they weren't interested in the written explanations accompanying each exhibit.

_____ / 8 (2 points each)

B  Listen to a radio show discussing the influence of genes and the environment on human development. Choose *True* or *False* for each statement.

- 1 Francis agrees with Brenda that human development is uniquely shaped by neither genes nor environmental factors. True / False
- 2 According to Brenda, all children with musical parents will become excellent musicians. True / False
- 3 Francis' examples of musical ability and height share the idea that environmental factors can influence hereditary characteristics. True / False
- 4 Brenda says people might be born with language abilities because studies have shown that babies can recognize words from their own language. True / False

_____ / 8 (2 points each)

C Complete the chart with the words from the box.

adopted chatty ethnic hereditary
 lush nameless ~~neutral~~ open-minded
 pastel picturesque rigid saturated

Describing Color Associations	Describing Personality	Describing Remote Places	Talking about Ancestry
<u>neutral</u>	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

_____ / 11 (1 point each)

D Choose the correct answers.

Developments in Translation Tools

When someone is asked to translate a text, ¹ *inevitably / demonstrably* their first instinct is to use an online translating tool. In the past, this could have been the ² *consequence / source* of many different problems, as ³ *artificial intelligence / computer translation* used to be very unreliable. Things got more ⁴ *complicated / frustrated* when a single word had multiple meanings. However, ⁵ *innovations / adaptations* in machine translation have meant that Google Translate is now approximately 60% more accurate than before. This improvement has ⁶ *stemmed from / resulted in* a shift from phrase-based translation to the more sophisticated neural machine translation. However, accuracy in translation still varies greatly. When the languages involved follow different rules or are less commonly used, the accuracy of machine translation is highly ⁷ *influenced / triggered*. So, even today, make sure you check your translations carefully.

_____ / 7 (1 point each)

E Complete the article with the words from the box. There are three extra words that you do not need to use.

disregard distraction fixate inherit power practice reflect undergo

The Power of Single-Tasking

One of the worst things you can do when trying to be productive is to multi-task. Doing more than one thing at once creates a ¹ _____. Instead, try to have a “one thing” mentality. Your choice of “one thing” should ² _____ what your biggest priority is. If you ³ _____ single-tasking every day and learn to ⁴ _____ secondary items on your to-do list, you will ⁵ _____ through tasks faster, meet deadlines, and develop a reputation as a person who gets things done.

_____ / 5 (1 point each)

F Choose the correct answers.

Listen to Your Body

It's easy to ¹ *feast your eyes on / turn a blind eye to* problems related to health. Nobody goes to the doctor by choice. It's possible to check your ² *immune system / blood pressure* at home using a simple manual or digital monitor. But what about something more serious like ³ *chronic pain / posture* in your back or knees? In this case, you should see a doctor immediately. Don't make excuses like "I can't afford a check-up," "the medication I need is ⁴ *overpaid / overpriced*," or "I hate sitting in an ⁵ *overcrowded / overwhelmed* waiting room." Be sure that someone takes a look at you. If the pain is in your ⁶ *internal organs / joints*, you might need to have an X-ray or see a physiotherapist. But whatever you do, don't ignore the message your body is sending you.

_____ / 6 (1 point each)

G Complete the text with the correct form of the phrasal verbs from the box. There are three that you do not need to use.

come down to
look down on

cut back on
put up with

face up to
run up against

fall back on
stand up for

In recent years, manufacturers have ¹ _____ protests from consumers wanting a reduction in the amount of plastic used in packaging. However, few manufactures are making changes without being pushed by the government. Consumers tired of ² _____ this have decided to take the matter into their own hands by finding their own ways to ³ _____ plastic use. Carrying a cloth bag around with you is one of the best ways. We've all been caught in a store without a bag and had to accept a plastic bag. Unfortunately, one plastic bag can take 1,000 years to fully break down into organic matter, so make sure you always have a cloth bag to ⁴ _____ if the need arises. Ultimately, it ⁵ _____ saying no to plastic and choosing the reusable option until manufacturers eventually listen.

_____ / 5 (1 point each)

H Choose the correct answers to complete the conversation.

Alex Are you excited, Kyle? In just a few weeks we ¹ *'ll be starting / 'll have been starting* college.

Kyle I'm not sure. What if we ² *had taken / would have taken* a year off and traveled? That ³ *should / could* have been awesome. It ⁴ *is / 'll have been* considered by employers to be a very valuable experience. Well, that's what I have read.

Alex Well, you really should ⁵ *think / have thought* about that before you applied to college. I'm sure you'll ⁶ *be changing / have changed* your mind by the end of the year. Only then ⁷ *did / will* you realize that you've made the right decision. I think it's time you ⁸ *stopped / stop* dreaming and started preparing.

Kyle You're probably right but never again ⁹ *we will / will we* have a chance like this to travel the world.

Alex Never say never!

_____ / 9 (1 point each)

I Complete the second sentence with two to five words so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence. Use the word in parentheses ().

- 1 What would you do if you were only one inch tall? (supposing)
_____ only one inch tall. What would you do?
- 2 Laura didn't have any more time, so she couldn't finish painting the wall. (might)
If Laura had had more time, _____ painting the wall.
- 3 People believe robots will cause job loss. (it)
_____ robots will cause job loss.
- 4 We really should find out our genetic history. (high)
_____ out our genetic history.
- 5 Ethan didn't understand the meaning of the ritual until someone explained it. (only)
_____ the meaning of the ritual did Ethan understand it.
- 6 It is inevitable that people will persuade governments to support greener policies. (inevitably)
Governments _____ persuaded to support greener policies.
- 7 I have no idea when we'll get the results of the test, so expect a long wait. (could)
We _____ for a long time to get the results of the test.
- 8 There is a statue in the plaza downtown. (stands)
In the plaza downtown _____.

_____ / 8 (1 point each)

J Complete the conversation with the words from the box.

having is what whatever which would wouldn't

- Cale** So tell me, how ¹ _____ you like your office decorated?
- Julia** The main thing I want ² _____ more light. We have a lot of windows, none of ³ _____ provide adequate light. I ⁴ _____ mind a different color scheme either. ⁵ _____ worked here for ten years with these horrible green walls, ⁶ _____ I would love is something different. ⁷ _____ you think is best – but not green!

_____ / 7 (1 point each)

K Choose the correct answers.

First Date Advice

So, you have a date and you want to make a good first impression. You will probably feel yourself ¹ - / *getting* increasingly nervous as the time of the date approaches. ² *It / This* is normal, and your date will certainly be feeling the ³ *similar / same*. In fact, by admitting that you are nervous when you meet, you will both immediately ⁴ *be starting / start* to relax.

During the first exchanges, it's vital to listen. ⁵ *This / As* has been found in studies, a person ⁶ - / *who* actively listening is considered more attractive than someone who talks all the time. If you have to talk, be positive. Politics ⁷ *is / are* a subject to avoid on a first date as it creates tension. Talk about hobbies and passions. And if you discover ⁸ *the / a* hobby that you share, stay on this subject as long as possible!

_____ / 8 (1 point each)

L Read about four people talking about doing something challenging on their own. For questions 1-8, choose from the four people, Patrick, Vicki, James, and Amanda. Each person may be chosen more than once.

Patrick

The year I retired, I sailed across the Atlantic single-handedly. I made the same journey as a teenager as part of a crew of 20. Then, I was an inexperienced sailor, and I remember feeling overwhelmed by the power of the ocean, saying I would never make that trip again. But after almost fifty years at sea, I felt I could handle the challenge alone. The lows were when there wasn't any wind – far worse than any storms I faced! The highs were seeing dolphins and having my wife there to meet me after 44 days.

Vicki

My most difficult solo walk was the Via Francigena from Canterbury in England to Rome in Italy. I discovered it isn't one single road, which made it easier to get lost. I thought I would complete the walk in two months, but it took me three! The worst part was the bad weather in England on the first two days. I almost gave up before reaching France!

James

Last summer, I cycled from Seattle to San Diego. Everyone thinks I did it for charity, but I actually did it for fun. It took me about six weeks, which included a few rest days and a few days sightseeing in the middle of the trip. I took the train back. I didn't have any problems with my bike, and if I felt bored I listened to music or podcasts. Would I do it again? Of course!

Amanda

I used to swim competitively, but now I am a coach and I swim solo to raise money for children's charities. One such swim was across Sydney Harbor in Australia. I expected it to be memorable for the spectacular views, but there was a lot of trash and litter in the harbor, so most of the time I was focused on not swallowing any water!

Which person ...

- 1 found their journey could be completed using various routes?
- 2 says that the reason for making their trip was misunderstood?
- 3 did something to help other people in need?
- 4 made their solo journey after they had stopped working?
- 5 used more than one form of transportation during their trip?
- 6 underestimated how long their journey would take?
- 7 made a promise that they did not keep?
- 8 didn't enjoy the experience as much as they had imagined?

_____ / 8 (1 point each)

M Read the article. Then choose the correct answers.

Master Clickbait – Master Your Life

Most people are familiar with clickbait, those irresistible headlines that appear around online articles. Some call it a cheap, and sometimes dishonest, marketing tactic. In some cases, they are right. Others argue that if clickbait is here to stay, then we might as well get good at it. After all, if done well, it's one of the best ways to get people's attention. So, what makes a headline clickbait?

It only takes a few hours studying clickbait headlines to see patterns. (Only if you don't start clicking them; otherwise it could take you weeks!) Clickbait appeals to basic human needs: health, success, money, knowledge, fun, etc. It often does this by preying on strong negative emotions like greed, fear, and envy.

To capture attention, an information gap should be included in your headline—a gap which can only be filled by clicking through to a new page.

An example: "Top entrepreneurs everywhere are using this simple trick to boost income."

What's missing? We want to know what the trick is. But there is more going on here. "Top entrepreneurs" appeals to envy – we want to be a top entrepreneur. "Simple" means it will be easy to learn (in theory anyway!). As for "boost income," well, who doesn't want more of the green stuff!

Another trick is "newsjacking" – integrating a topic in the public eye (the Olympics, the Oscars, the president) into publicity and relating it to your product. You need to react quickly, as hot news topics tend to have a short life cycle. Imagine you have written a book about "morning routines." Your headline could read "Five things you didn't know about the president's morning routine."

These tips will get people to your page, and when they do, I hope you have something good to say!

- 1 What is the writer's main purpose in writing this article?
 - A to present the advantages and disadvantages of clickbait in a balanced way
 - B to convince the reader that they should use clickbait to generate more traffic
 - C to help the reader create clickbait by understanding the psychology behind it
- 2 By saying "it could take you weeks" in the second paragraph, the writer suggests ...
 - A that research into the subject is a time consuming process.
 - B that clicking on headlines might result in further distractions.
 - C that there are a large number of clickbait titles to click on.
- 3 What does the writer say is particularly effective about the clickbait headline "Top entrepreneurs everywhere are using this simple trick to boost income"?
 - A It appeals to human needs and emotions, and it also arouses curiosity.
 - B It appeals to greed which is the strongest emotion.
 - C People will learn how to get rich easily by clicking on the headline.
- 4 In the fourth paragraph, the writer suggests ...
 - A linking your product to the Olympics is always an effective strategy.
 - B creating a clever headline because people who follow trends have a short attention span.
 - C responding quickly if you want to effectively benefit from "newsjacking."
- 5 What is the writer's attitude toward clickbait?
 - A It is an effective way of grabbing people's attention.
 - B It should only be used if you have something to say.
 - C It is annoying because it is a distraction from work.

_____ / 10 (2 points each)