

World English 2: Unit 7

Instructions: Read. Then answer the questions. Use reasons and examples from the text to support your answers.

Secret to a Better Life

Would your life be better if you had more money? According to research, it wouldn't. Most people think that winning the lottery will make them happy, but studies have found that many lottery-winners either spend all their money and go into debt, or their friends, family, and people they aren't even close to keep asking them for cash, meaning that they end up with less wealth and worse relationships than before they won the lottery.

So, what is the secret to a better life?

In the longest known study of adult life, the Harvard Study of Adult Development collected data on 724 men over 75 years. Participants were selected from Harvard University, one of the world's most elite schools, located in Boston, United States as well as from Boston's poorest neighborhoods.

The men were interviewed every two years. The study found that participants who were healthiest at age 80 were not the most successful or the richest, they were the ones who had reported that they were in happy relationships thirty years earlier.

Based on observations, participants who have healthy relationships live longer than those who are lonely. Also, according to the research, it is not just the number of friends you have but the quality of your friendships that makes the difference. Good relationships protect our bodies and brain while unhealthy relationships can make us sick and even shorten our lives.

1. What do most people think happens to lottery winners?

2. What was the Harvard Study of Adult Development?

3. According to the research, which men were healthiest later in life?

4. How can unhealthy relationships affect someone's health?

Instructions: Track 14 | *Listen to the interview. Choose the best answer to complete each sentence. You do not need to use two of the options.*

because he designed a flower that he wants people to buy
because he grows flowers to support his family
because she sells flowers
because they are used to celebrate important life events
does not export flowers
has a good climate for growing flowers
has been developing new flowers for many years
imports many flowers

5. Japan _____.
6. According to Shinobu, flowers are important _____.
7. Ecuador _____.
8. Flowers are important to Rafael _____.

Instructions: *Complete each sentence with a word from the list. You do not need to use all the words.*

account
amount
choices
instead
luxury
produce
quality
reduce
satisfying
usual
waste

9. Next time you go shopping, take a look at your _____ spending habits and ask yourself if something needs to change.
10. Buying something you want can be _____ but may not be necessary.
11. We _____ a lot of money buying things we don't need.
12. Being a responsible shopper is not just about the _____ of money you spend at the store.
13. Buying _____ items is not the problem.

Instructions: *Complete each sentence with the past participle form of the verb in parentheses.*

Example

In most places, crops are _____ (grow) on flat land.

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14. It seems like a new shopping center is _____ (build) every year in the city.
15. The researchers hope that a solution is _____ (find) soon.
16. Beautiful kites are _____ (fly) to celebrate spring.

Instructions: *Complete the sentences with your own ideas using the passive voice.*

Example

Children _____. (teach)

Children are taught at schools.

17. Money _____. (waste)
18. Jobs _____. (create)
19. Pollution _____. (reduce)
20. Goals _____. (achieve)
21. In my country, _____. (export)

Instructions: *Put the words in order to make appropriate sentences.*

22. fed the animals zoo workers. are by

23. cars are by the built every four million year. company

24. dozens of people Mount climbed Everest is every year. by

Instructions: *Complete the tasks.*

25. Look at the list of priorities. Rank them from the most to least important. Write a paragraph (50–75 words) about your order of priorities. Why did you choose this order? Use sequence words in your answer.

family
health
personal growth
relationships
work

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Answer Section

1. ANS:
(Answers will vary. Award point if reasons/examples from the text support the response.)
Most people think that winning the lottery will make them happy.

PTS: 1 OBJ: Reading

2. ANS:
(Answers will vary. Award point if reasons/examples from the text support the response.)
A study of 724 men over 75 years in Boston who were interviewed every two years.

PTS: 1 OBJ: Reading

3. ANS:
(Answers will vary. Award point if reasons/examples from the text support the response.)
Those who were in healthy relationships when they were younger.

PTS: 1 OBJ: Reading

4. ANS:
(Answers will vary. Award point if reasons/examples from the text support the response.)
They can make someone sick or shorten their life.

PTS: 1 OBJ: Reading

5. ANS: imports many flowers

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6. ANS: because they are used to celebrate important life events

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7. ANS: has a good climate for growing flowers

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8. ANS: because he grows flowers to support his family

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9. ANS: usual

PTS: 1 OBJ: Vocabulary

10. ANS: satisfying

PTS: 1 OBJ: Vocabulary

11. ANS: waste

PTS: 1 OBJ: Vocabulary

12. ANS: amount

PTS: 1 OBJ: Vocabulary

13. ANS: luxury

PTS: 1 OBJ: Vocabulary

14. ANS: built

PTS: 1 OBJ: Vocabulary

15. ANS: found

PTS: 1 OBJ: Vocabulary

16. ANS: flown

PTS: 1 OBJ: Vocabulary

17. ANS:

(Answers will vary. Award point if *be* + past participle is used.) is wasted on things people don't need

PTS: 1 OBJ: Grammar TOP: Passive Voice (Present Tense)

18. ANS:

(Answers will vary. Award point if *be* + past participle is used.) are created by big companies

PTS: 1 OBJ: Grammar TOP: Passive Voice (Present Tense)

19. ANS:

(Answers will vary. Award point if *be* + past participle is used.) is reduced when there are fewer cars on the road

PTS: 1 OBJ: Grammar TOP: Passive Voice (Present Tense)

20. ANS:

(Answers will vary. Award point if *be* + past participle is used.) are achieved when you work hard

PTS: 1 OBJ: Grammar TOP: Passive Voice (Present Tense)

21. ANS:

(Answers will vary. Award point if correct form of *be* + past participle is used.) apples are exported to other countries

PTS: 1 OBJ: Grammar TOP: Passive Voice (Present Tense)

22. ANS:

The animals are fed by zoo workers.

PTS: 1 OBJ: Grammar TOP: Passive Voice with By

23. ANS:

Four million cars are built by the company every year.

PTS: 1 OBJ: Grammar TOP: Passive Voice with By

24. ANS:

Mount Everest is climbed by dozens of people every year.

PTS: 1 OBJ: Grammar TOP: Passive Voice with By

25. ANS:

Answers will vary.

PTS: 1

OBJ: Writing