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PART 1

LISTENING

Time: 20 minutes

Task 1

1. You will hear an expert giving a talk on blogs. Look at Questions 1-10. You will hear the information twice.

Questions 1-5

Complete the summary below.

Write **ONE OR TWO WORDS** for each answer.

Blogs and the History of Blogging

A blog can perhaps be best described as a website that consists of a kind of journal that is regularly updated. Blogs cover a very wide variety of topics and many of them are personal diaries.

Blogs are usually not **1**_____ because they have interactive elements, which may lead to friendships or even **2**_____ relationships between people.

The first 'blog' was probably created in 1994 by a student and he called it his '**3**_____ '.

Similar websites were then created and these included both links and **4**_____. In 1999, someone changed the term used for these websites by creating the phrase '**5**_____', and therefore invented the term 'blog'.

Questions 6-10

Complete the flow chart below.

Write **ONE WORD ONLY** for each answer.

Blogging Workflow – Advice

Decide what the 6_____ of your posts will be



Do some reading before starting a post



As you compose the post, keep a record of 7_____ and links



After creating the post, add some tags to it to improve searchability



Use social networking sites to 8_____ a post you think is outstanding



Look at the 9_____ relating to the post



Don't simply say 10_____ to people who have responded to your post



Go on to other blogs and leave comments.

Task 2

You are going to hear a supervisor talking to the new staff at a large hospital.

Listen to the talk and choose the correct answers for questions 11-15.

Questions 1-5

Choose the correct letter, A, B or C.

- 11.** According to Debbie, why do some people fail to eat a balanced diet?
- A They don't know how to cook.
 - B They don't have enough time to cook.
 - C They don't feel hungry enough to cook.
- 12.** Debbie recommends that staff should keep fit by
- A using a gym.
 - B taking up a new sport.
 - C changing some daily activities.
- 13.** Which benefit of exercise does Debbie think is most important?
- A It helps you sleep.
 - B It keeps your heart healthy.
 - C It improves mental skills.
- 14.** What advice does Debbie give the nurses about health and safety?
- A to avoid drinking coffee
 - B to use the canteen at night
 - C to take regular breaks
- 15.** When she talks about hygiene, Debbie asks the nurses to
- A wash their hands regularly.
 - B keep away from germs.
 - C help with the cleaning.

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PART 2

READING COMPREHENSION

Time: 20 minutes

Task I

Read the text below and complete gaps 1-6 with phrases A-G. There is one phrase you do not need to use.

Of all the farmers in the district William Tweltree was the poorest and most unlucky. He was a good fellow, but the strangest thing about him was 1_____ . His life was not easy as he had to keep a wife and four daughters who were too young to help him.

William and his family were good ordinary people, but William had a dream to play in a performance. Only his four children and his wife alone knew of that dream. Then, one autumn they came across an announcement printed in the local journal that all those interested in drama were asked to attend a meeting of a new dramatic society. All the members of William's family were anxious to see him act in a real performance and 2_____ . When William entered the hall where the meeting was held he was surprised to see so many people. The people who wished to take part in the performance were given a play to read and choose a part. William read the play and decided that he should play the part of the Duke. In a week it was announced to William's great regret that he would have the part of the monk. The information struck William as very unpleasant; he even hesitated 3_____ . But when he told his wife and daughters that he would play the part of a monk they thought that it was

wonderful. So, he got down to learning his role and very soon he knew it by heart. He was sure
4_____ .

At last the day of the first performance came. William asked his wife not to come to the theatre, saying that he would be very nervous and
5_____ . He arrived early at the theatre and when he was dressed and made up, he looked like a real monk. In the first scene he was to be on the stage alone. Although he had been preparing for it for a long time he got terribly frightened. He forgot his lines completely, his manners were very funny. In fact he looked more like a clown than a monk and was greeted with laughter. The situation was awful. Now he wished to get out of it, so he rushed from the stage and hid himself in the dressing-room. There he changed his clothes and went home. He was very much upset and didn't know
6_____ .

- A. that might spoil everything
- B. whether to take the part or give it all up
- C. that he lived in dreams
- D. how to break the news to his wife
- E. that he would be a failure
- F. they made him attend the meeting
- G. that the audience would appreciate his talent

Task II

Read the text about London and answer questions below.

Where can a visitor to London

- 7) see beautiful English lawns and enjoy flowers?
- 8) open a bank's account or withdraw money from it?
- 9) see a masterpiece of the famous English

architect of the 17th

century?

10) buy souvenirs or visit the largest London department stores?

11) see graves of outstanding people of Great Britain?

12) go to see the place where bills are introduced and debates are held?

A

The historical centre of London is now a relatively small area still known as the City, which covers only about 1 sq mi. Most of the financial activities are crowded along Threadneedle Street, near the intersection known as the Bank, which includes the huge Bank of England complex, the Royal Exchange, and the Stock Exchange. The permanent residential population of the City is now less than 6000, but about 350,000 commute here daily to work.

B

Located just west of Soho and Covent Garden in the West End is a more residential area. The relatively dense development of this area is broken up by a series of Royal Parks, areas once owned by the Crown, including Hyde Park, Kensington Gardens, and Regent's Park.

C

The most prominent landmark of the City is Saint Paul's Cathedral, designed by the English architect Christopher Wren to replace the original church, which was destroyed during the Great Fire of London in 1666.

D

The City of Westminster, about two miles upstream from the City of London, emerged as England's political and religious centre of power after the 11th century. At the heart of Westminster is Westminster Abbey, begun by Edward the Confessor in the 11th century and rebuilt in the 13th century. It has always been closely

associated with the monarchy and is used for such state occasions as coronations and royal funerals. It is also a giant mausoleum, and more than 3000 notable people are buried there. Statues and monuments line the magnificent nave.

E

Virtually across the street are the Houses of Parliament, officially called the New Palace of Westminster. Farther west is the monarch's permanent residence in London, Buckingham Palace.

F

To the west and north of Trafalgar Square is the West End, which is usually regarded as the centre of town because it is London's shopping and entertainment hub. The busiest shopping area is Oxford Street, where such large department stores as Selfridges, John Lewis, and Marks and Spencer are located. Other well-known shopping areas include Knightsbridge, the location of Harrods department store; and Piccadilly, where Fortnum and Mason specializes in fine food.

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PART 3

USE OF ENGLISH

Time: 20 minutes

Task 1

For questions 1–8, read the text below. Use the word given in capitals at the end of each line to form a word that fits in the space in the same line. There is an example at the beginning.

UNDERSTANDING BRITAIN

<p>I am not a <u>sociologist</u> (0) but a specialist in English literature, so my _____(1) for describing Britain are chiefly that I live here, that I was born here and I have spent many years _____(2) adults and I have been _____(3) involved in various social and political concerns since _____(4). Before writing this book I returned to Russia _____(5) and had unique _____(6) to observe some areas of your country little known to _____(7) visitors. I asked questions of every Russian whom I met and your answers made a _____(8) contrast with those I have received from my compatriots.</p>	<p>SOCIOLOGY QUALIFY TEACH ACTIVE ADOLESCENT OCCASION OPPORTUNE WEST FASCINATE</p>
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Task 2

For questions 9 – 13, 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.** You must use **BETWEEN TWO AND FIVE WORDS**, including the word given.

Here is an example (0):

Example: 0 I think his wife is a journalist.
married
I think _____ a journalist.

The gap can be filled with the words “he is married to”, so you write:

Example answer: 0 **he is married to**

9 The teacher’s voice was too quiet.
loudly
The teacher _____ enough.

- 10 They celebrate New Year's Eve in Trafalgar Square.
held
 The celebration of _____ in Trafalgar Square.
- 11 A friend is looking after the baby while I'm out.
care
 A friend _____ the baby while I'm out.
- 12 I glanced at the letter while my parents were out of the room.
waiting
 I glanced quickly at the letter while _____ return.
- 13 The last time I saw Mary was before she left for Canada.
since
 I _____ she left for Canada.

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PART 4

WRITING

Time: 20 minutes

Imagine you are interested in doing voluntary work connected with the protection of the environment.

Write a letter to the head of the organization called "The Volunteer Agency" that runs a number of local as well as international environmental projects.

1. Write what you would like to do for the organization.
2. Prove that you are motivated for the job.
3. Prove that you are well-suited to do this kind of work.
4. Observe the rules of letter writing.
 -) Do not write down the address.
 -) Do not write down your **REAL** name.

Write 100-120 words.

