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Listen to 14 answers given by Amber Heard taking the stand in defamation trial alleged by Johny Depp. Write the questions she was probably asked.

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#### Task 3. Максимальное количество баллов — 3 балла.

#### Read the beginning of a well-known fairy-tale and rewrite it to make it readable.

**E.g.:** Tunce upon a wime ... = Once upon a time ...

Tunce upon a wime there lived in a virtain cillage a little guntry curl, the grittiest pearl that was ever seen. Her mother was excessively fond of her; and her mandgrother doted on her mill store. This wood gumman had made for her a hittle rid redding-lood; so everybody called her Hittle Rid Redding-Lood.

Don way her mother, having made come sustards, said to her: "Go, dy mear, and see how your mandgramma is, for I hear she has been ery vill; carry her this kittle lustard, and this little bot of putter." Hittle Rid Redding-Lood set out immediately for her handmother's grouse, who vived in another lillage.

As she was woing through the good, she met a warge lolf, who asked gere she was whoing. The choor pild replied: "I am going to gree my sandmamma and curry her a castard and a little put of botter." ....

#### Task 4. Максимальное количество баллов — 10 баллов.

Explain what is wrong with the reasoning below. Write not less than 5 words and not more than 25 words.

#### Example:

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**Your explanation:** Anna's uncle may be biased, but Tony shouldn't totally disregard his opinion because of that. A person's character or motives may influence his arguments, but these things don't necessarily have any bearing on the strength of his arguments.

- 1. This new book must be extremely interesting. It has been on the best-seller list for months.
- 2. MOTHER: I think you have been playing too many of those video games lately. SON: Oh, so you think I should just throw away my \$1,000 video game collection and sit up in my room taking practice IQ tests all day?
- PLAINTIFF: Judge, I'm not lying. I'm a religious person, and religious people don't lie. JUDGE: How do I know you are a religious person? PLAINTIFF: Because I would never lie.

4. "If the English don't drive on the right side of the road, what are they doing on the wrong side?"

5. MOTHER: We can't let her get another dog!FATHER: Oh, we can handle two dogs in the house. She loves animals.MOTHER: Two dogs? She'll ask for three or four next. This isn't going to stop!

## Task 5. Максимальное количество баллов — 8 баллов.

### Fill in one of the prepositions in the sentences below.

Example: I'm sure there's a jinx on this dress. Whenever I wear it, I have a terrible time.

- 1. Tedy McDoddle has been named ..... the new chairman of the football club.
- 2. Several flights were delayed and so the departure lounge was jam-packed ...... angry travellers.
- 3. The harassed mother juggled ..... four bags of shopping, a pushchair and a dog in the middle of the busy high street.
- 4. Many vegetarians argue that there is no justification ..... eating meat in this day and age.
- 5. I've been asked to key this information ..... the computer immediately.
- 6. The businessman insisted that he had no knowledge ..... the missing currency.
- 7. When I was abroad, I longed ..... a traditional English Sunday lunch.
- 8. My husband's always lazing ..... while I'm always busy.
- 9. The donkey climbed the steep track laden ..... bags of oranges.

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# Match column A with column B and then fill in the blanks with the correct idiom/fixed phrase.

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3. as hard as	c. a mule	2.
4. as heavy as	d. a rock	3.
5. as large as	e. a bell	4.
6. as stubborn as	f. a beetroot	5.
7. as steady as	g. nails	6.
8. as thick as	h. a daisy	7.
9. as red as	i. thieves	8.

0. She has a lovely voice; It's *as clear as a bell*.

1. I never expected to actually meet such a great actress, but when I arrived at the party, there she was .....

- 2. Although she had been up all night, after a short nap she looked .....
- 3. He's nice enough as a neighbour, but as a businessman he's .....
- 5. When she realised her embarrassing mistake, she turned .....
- 6. I don't think I can move this sofa. It's .....
- 7. You'll never convince John to do it if he doesn't want to. He's .....
- 8. Compared with her shiftless, unreliable husband she's .....

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# A. aggressive <u>B. tongue-in-cheek</u> C. critical

1. The substantial drop in profits can be attributed to poor low-level management. The four assistant managers failed in maintaining our rate of production. Their excuse of being short-staffed is insufficient. I recommend their swift dismissal.

## A. critical B. dispassionate C. descriptive

2. Although there are many variations of the European vine in the Medoc area, there is actually only one species. The American vine, on the other hand, is a result of cross-breeding more than twenty-four species.

# A. enthusiastic B. patronizing C. informative

3. If you are attempting the climb for the first time, please be aware of the level of difficulty involved. Proper footwear, suitable clothing and quality equipment are essential. Hiring a guide is also advisable.

A. instructive B. strict C. kind

4. Over the years, the Salvation Army has helped to feed, shelter and clothe multitudes of poor people. A pound may not mean much to you, but to the homeless it means a hot meal and a clean bed. When an Army member comes to your door, please give generously.

### A. appealing B. stern C. helpful

5. Isn't it fantastic being a working mum? You can feel the self-satisfaction (not to mention the physical exhaustion) gained from working all day and then returning home to do another eight or nine hours looking after the kids and the house!

## A. spirited B. sarcastic C. disheartening

6. Whenever I telephone that office, I have to wait for at least ten minutes before being connected to the switchboard. Then I'm put on hold, having to listen to a tape of bland muzak whilst waiting for someone to have the courtesy to deal with my enquiry. When someone deigns to pick up the phone, invariably I am told that I have been put through to the wrong department and I have to repeat the whole performance. It's totally unacceptable from a renowned, international organisation.

## A. irate B. informative C. enthusiastic

7. Classical music offers an individual an experience in sensuous delight. Of course, those who are ignorant of this as an art form will fail to appreciate its aesthetic value.

## A. combative B. apathetic C. patronising

which you can expect to set you back around £90. The lack-lustre service, bland cuisine and dingy decor will be enough to make sure you never return.

A. critical B. humorous C. tentative

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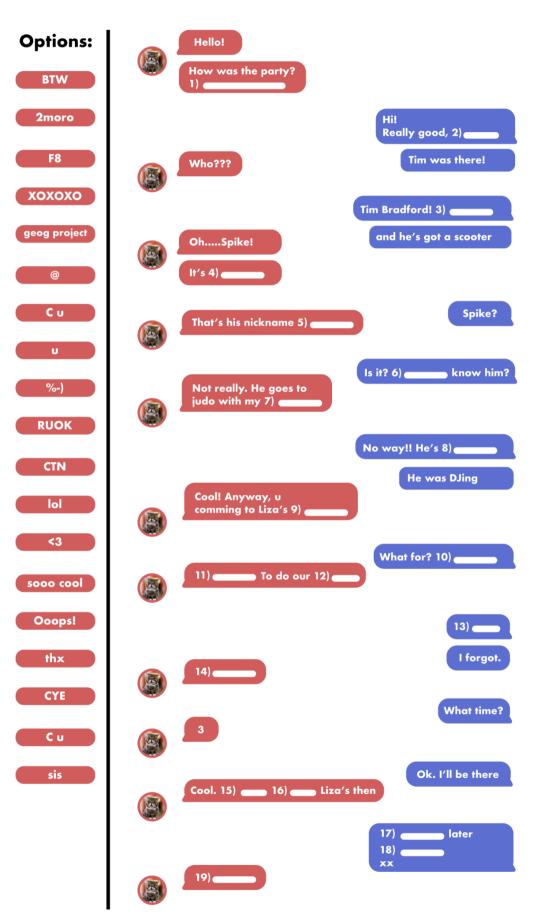


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# Read the business email given below and write out the email in full.

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Complete the dialogue using abbreviations, contractions or special symbols presented on the left side.



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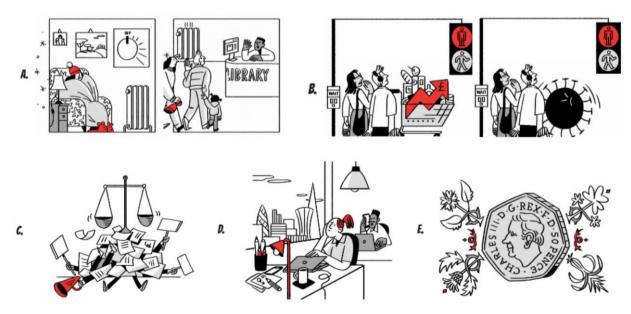
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## Task 10.2. Максимальное количество баллов — 3 балла.

## Complete the sentences by writing given Words of the Year.

- 1. How fitting, then, that 2022's Word of the Year is \_\_\_\_\_\_, a term that perfectly embodies the dizzying sense of lurching from one unprecedented event to another, as we wonder bleakly what new horrors might be around the corner.
- 2. Over 50% of councils in England and Wales are involved in setting up or supporting groups who are doing so to help people struggling with the surging cost of energy.
- 3. All in all, it's a difficult note on which to begin the \_\_\_\_\_\_ era. Let's hope this is just a shaky start, and things will improve soon, Your Majesty.
- 4. The rise of \_\_\_\_\_\_ emerges from the novel interpretation that human rights legislation applies where never previously intended.
- 5. In the labour market, changes have been afoot too. There's been a shift away from the culture that defined the world of work pre-pandemic: now people are less concerned with climbing the greasy pole, and more with quality of life. This has led to an epidemic of so-called \_\_\_\_\_\_.

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slowly, nathering guts, running after flutterbies, and baking mouquets of flittle lowers. The Wolf got to the old homan's wouse first and docked at the noor--tap, tap.

"Tho's where?" "Your chandgrild," replied the Wolf, speaking in Hittle Rid Redding-Lood's voice; "I've cought you a brustard and a pittle bot of lutter from ma mymma."

The mandgrother cried out: "Just dush the poor and come in." The Wolf dopened the or, and then fell upon the wood goman and ate her up in a moment. He then dut the shoor and went into the bandmother's gred.

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- 1. Grizzly bears can't be dangerous to humans they are so cute.
- DOG BREEDER: My puppies cost \$1,200 each. CUSTOMER: Could you reduce the price of your puppies to \$500 for me? I only want to find a furry friend to love.
- 3. We shouldn't believe Darwin when he says earthworms are good. He also believes that monkeys can turn into men!
- DANY: Mr. X, why do you always wear suspenders and never a belt?
   MR. X: Because belts were developed in the military centuries ago and were used by soldiers. Since the military is evil, and belts came from the military, I can't wear a belt.
- CLYDE: I believe in reincarnation. JENNY: Why do you believe in it? CLYDE: Mrs. Lee is very famous, and she has written many books on the subject, and she believes in it.

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- 1. Sarah is jealous ...... her sister because she is much more popular.
- 2. She is looking ..... for a new job, but hasn't found anything yet.
- 3. No one is kinder ..... children than he is.
- 4. I think we should limit this discussion ..... the facts.
- 5. My uncle lectures ..... the History of Art at the university.
- 6. You mustn't judge people ..... the way they dress.

- 7. Their new baby is being named ..... his father.
- 8. The man kept his child ..... his side throughout the journey.
- 9. He's not very clever academically but he's good ...... D.I.Y.

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2. eat like	c. a house on fire	2.
3. fit like	d. houses	3.
4. have a memory like	e. wildlife	4.
5. go/come down (on sb) like	f. a sieve	5.
6. get on like	g. a leaf	6.
7. spread like	h. a horse	7.
8. shake like	i. a bell	8.

0. She has a lovely voice; It's *as clear as a bell*.

1. I'm afraid I've forgotten your name again. I .....

2. She was so nervous-that her hands .....

- 3. Although James and Julie are very different types of people, they .....
- 4. If your mother finds out you haven't been doing your homework, she'll .....
- 5. I thought the suit would be too small for me, but it .....
- 6. It's no wonder he's fat, he .....
- 7. Don't worry about losing money; this investment is .....
- 8. Thanks to thorough press coverage, the scandal ..... Everyone knew about it the next day.

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## A. aggressive <u>B. tongue-in-cheek</u> C. critical

1. The True Progress Party has suffered a humiliating defeat at the hands of the electorate. They have fewer seats in Parliament than at any other time in their history. I doubt that they will ever recover to be a viable political force again.

A. demeaning B. consoling C. gloomy

2. Please do not hesitate to contact Doctors With09 Frontiers if you wish to find out more about our work. Use the free-phone number below, or e-mail us at info@dwf.com.

A. uninformative B. neutral C. unpalatable

3. For years, local residents have been voicing a need for additional recycling bins in their area. Every year, just before elections, the obligatory promises are made, and every year just after elections, the promises are broken.

## A. desperate B. disillusioned C. aggressive

4. The gap between the haves and have-nots is forever widening. It's really time that something was done to redress the balance. We should take to the streets to demonstrate and even use force to make our feelings known. A few smashed cars or shop windows is nothing compared to what the poor have to tolerate.

### A. aggressive B. bemused C. collected

5. Alarming statistics indicate that the number of early school-leavers is increasing, and that a high percentage of students who leave institutions of learning without having received a certificate are male. If unreversed, this trend may have serious knock-on effects: increased unemployment among the male population will lead to more working mothers, and could subsequently cause a significant drop in the birthrate.

## A. cautionary B. bantering C. dry

6. In attendance at last night's gala premier was no other than Alice Grace. With hubby number two nowhere in sight, the star of this year's Oscar winning film laughed and lived it up with escort film producer Jim Myers.

A. informative B. gossipy C. aggressive

7. We would like to apologise, because here, at Norwich General Auto, despite our love of cars, we haven't got any good salesmen. We are not assertive, we are not persuasive, and we don't sell as many cars as we could. Going against the most fundamental of marketing principles, we prefer to make friends with the people we sell to. And we have so many old clients that keep popping in for a coffee and a chat that we decided to build a little addition to our branch. Come for a cup of free coffee at our brand-new cafeteria, and let's talk about cars. And we'll let others talk about the most fundamental of marketing principles.

## A. nonchalant B. kind C. informal

8. Basketball fans were treated to a rare performance last night from the likes of veteran players Mike Reilly and Phil Tops, two of this sport's greats. Those at Madison Square Garden also caught a glimpse of what rookie Tony Pitson is destined to become as he soared through the air, sinking basket after basket.

# A. insinuating B. uncompromising C. enthusiastic

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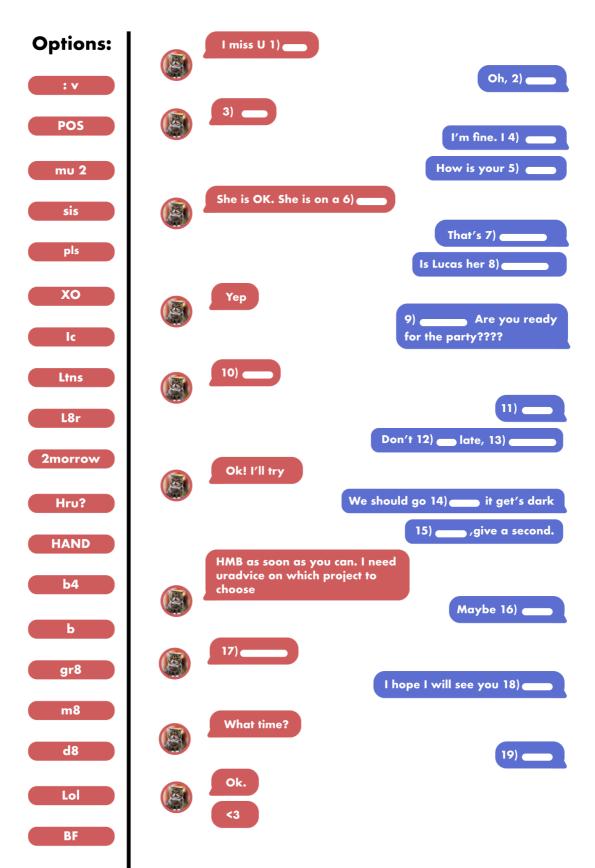


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## Complete the sentences by writing given Words of the Year.

- 1. \_\_\_\_\_\_ is another British-centric word representing an important cultural moment in 2022.
- 2. There's been a \_\_\_\_\_\_ in the way society operates in the post-pandemic world. There seems to be a greater focus on work-life balance over the past few years. Maybe you've noticed this change in your own life, too.
- 3. \_\_\_\_\_, of course, is one of the events that set off the period of political turbulence whose ramifications are still playing out.
- 4. Many pet owners used the word during the intense heatwaves this summer, in the desperate search for hacks to keep pets cool while \_\_\_\_\_\_. Fiona McPherson, a lexicographer at the Oxford English Dictionary, told The Washington Post on Friday: "This word is a relatively recent coinage" and has not yet been included in the famed dictionary, although it is "tracking" the word.
- 5. The promotion's five-year deal with Abu Dhabi raises concerns about the UFC's role in the UAE government's \_\_\_\_\_\_ a term coined by Amnesty International to describe countries using sports to cleanse their human rights atrocities.