

LISTENING
Time: 15 minutes

Task 1. *You are going to hear a teacher talking about education in British schools. Are the statements true (A), false (B) or not stated (C)?*

1. Education is free for children in the UK.
2. Fee-paying schools are illegal.
3. Some children are taught at home.
4. All children must go to school from 5 to 18.
5. Children must do exams at 16.
6. School dinners are free for everyone.
7. Teachers hit naughty children at school.
8. Primary schools have bigger class sizes.
9. There are over 35 students in all classes.
10. Children must leave school at 16.
11. GCSE is only for children who want to enter the university.
12. A – Level exams are obligatory before leaving school.

Transfer your answers to the answer sheet

READING

Time 40 minutes

Task: Read the passage. Do the task 1, task 2 which go after the text.

Have a happy *staycation*!?

Short of money, time or just energy? Fed up of being ripped-off at hotels, restaurants and theme parks? Tired of getting stuck in endless traffic jams and airport queues? Then a staycation may just be the thing for you. Adapted from the word vacation, a 'staycation' is becoming the trend for families who opt to stay at home during their summer break. And it can be more fun than you might think.

My family and I have been 'staycationing' for the last couple of years. At first my kids went wild at the thought of not going abroad. What on earth would they tell their friends or put on their Facebook profile at the end of the summer? But then they realised they wouldn't have to put up with an exhausting journey, sharing a room with siblings, communication problems and endless arguments over the plans for each day. Suddenly, exploring the area near their own home and being able to hang out with their friends seemed like heaven.

Basically, as with any family activity, it's all in the planning. Don't expect to have a successful break by just staying at home and hoping that something interesting will happen. Here are a few pointers to get you started:

<p>1.</p> <p>Schedule a beginning and ending to make your staycation seem like a 'real' holiday. Otherwise, it might end up feeling like a series of days just hanging around at home.</p> <p>2......</p> <p>That means no housework, no paperwork and no homework. You are on holiday, after all</p>	<p>4......</p> <p>Most colleges and sports centres run summer schools that offer a wide range of courses. Have a go at something the whole family can enjoy - pottery, cookery, local wildlife - whatever takes your fancy. Explore your own backyard</p> <p>Take the time to explore the area near where you live. Walking or cycling is a great way to enjoy the scenery without</p>
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<p>3</p> <p>Have a daily activity in mind and a back-up in case the weather changes. Let each member of the family choose what they would like to do for at least one afternoon ... and make sure the others go along with it.</p> <p>Check out what's free. Everything from bike rides in the countryside to family fun days in the local park. Pack your own picnic and set a budget for treats like ice creams, boat trips.</p>	<p>adding to your carbon footprint.</p> <p>5.</p> <p>Add up all the money you're saving on travel and accommodation and treat the family to something really nice. It could be a banquet-style takeaway, a fancy dress party, or an evening out.</p> <p>6.</p> <p>Take photos or videos, just as you would if you went away from home for your holiday. Remember your kids will want something to show their friends, and you will want to keep those staycation memories too.</p>
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Task 1. Reading passage has six paragraphs, 1-6. Choose the correct heading for each paragraph from the list of headings (A-F) below.

List of Headings

- A. Learn something new
- B. Declare your home a work-free zone
- C. Keep a record
- D. Indulge yourself a little
- E. Plan ahead
- F. Set start and finish dates

Write the correct letter (A-H), in boxes 1-6 on your answer sheet.

Task 2. Do the following statements agree with the information given in Reading Passage? In boxes 7-14 on your answer sheet, write

A (TRUE) if the statement agrees with the information

B (FALSE) if the statement contradicts the information

7. The only reason for doing a staycation is lack of money.
8. At first, the writer's children weren't keen on the idea of a staycation.
9. It's important to decide a fixed period for your staycation.
10. A staycation is a good time to catch up on household jobs.
11. Only one person should plan the family activities.
12. It's a good idea to explore your local area on foot.
13. You should be prepared to spend a bit on money on something special.
14. People don't often bother to look back on their staycation experiences.

Transfer your answers to the answer sheet

USE OF ENGLISH

Time 40 minutes

Task 1. Read the text below and choose the correct word for each space. For each question, mark the correct letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet.

A lucky picnic

When I was a child we used to (1) to my grandmother's house. We often had a picnic in a wood which was (2) of wild flowers. We always used to go to the (3) place. One day when we had finished our picnic, my mother noticed that she had (4) ... her ring, (5) ... had her initials inside it.

We looked everywhere for it and we carried on until it was dark and we had to give (6) Thirty years later, I was on holiday with my own children and we (7) the same wood. We decided to have a picnic there. It was my son who made it a lucky day. He was bored with the picnic (8) he started digging a hole (9) a tree. Suddenly, he (10) up a ring. It had some writing inside it and we all (11) It was my mother's ring. She was really happy when we gave it back to her!

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| 1 | A <i>go</i> | B <i>gone</i> | C <i>went</i> | D <i>going</i> |
| 2 | A <i>busy</i> | B <i>full</i> | C <i>complete</i> | D <i>crowded</i> |
| 3 | A <i>single</i> | B <i>same</i> | C <i>similar</i> | D <i>like</i> |
| 4 | A <i>lost</i> | B <i>stolen</i> | C <i>disappeared</i> | D <i>missed</i> |
| 5 | A <i>where</i> | B <i>whose</i> | C <i>which</i> | D <i>who</i> |
| 6 | A <i>back</i> | B <i>away</i> | C <i>out</i> | D <i>up</i> |
| 7 | A <i>realised</i> | B <i>came</i> | C <i>found</i> | D <i>met</i> |
| 8 | A <i>because</i> | B <i>but</i> | C <i>although</i> | D <i>so</i> |

- 9 A *on* B *under* C *between* D *at*
- 10 A *held* B *took* C *looked* D *came*
- 11 A *persuaded* B *agreed* C *promised* D *recommended*

Task 2. Complete the second sentence so that it means the same as the first, using no more than three words.

12. The woman asked how much the jacket cost.

The woman asked, "How much _____ the jacket cost?"

13. Lena said that she didn't want to go to the beach.

Lena said, "_____ want to go to the beach."

14. Angela asked Carmen how often she had been to England?

Angela asked Carmen, "How often _____ to England?"

15. Miguel suggested having a barbecue on Friday.

Miguel said, "Why _____ a barbecue on Friday?"

16. Pete told Ivan that he would meet him at 8 o'clock.

Peter said to Ivan, "I _____ at 8 o'clock."

17. Alison told her friend that she was hoping to visit Egypt.

Alison said to her friend, "_____ to visit Egypt."

18. My brother offered to meet my friend at the airport

My brother said, "_____ I meet your friend at the airport?"

19. Josef asked Michal if he was going to Elena's party.

Josef said to Michal, "_____ to Elena's party?"

20. The teacher asked Sara which class she wanted to join.

The teacher said to Sara, "Which class _____ to join?"

21. My friend advised me to call a taxi.

My friend said, "You _____ call a taxi."

22. Cara asked me if I would be at home on Saturday.

Cara asked, "_____ at home on Saturday?"

Task 3. Find 13 words connected with books, newspapers and magazines in the wordsearch box. The words go across or down. You can write the words in your answer sheet in any order.

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Transfer your answers to the answer sheet

WRITING

Time: 40 minutes

You have received this email from your English-speaking friend Alex.

From: Alex

Subject: your visit

I'm really pleased to hear that you can spend a week with me and my family here.

People say this is one of the world's most exciting cities!

What kind of places would you like to visit and what would you like to do downtown?

We can either use public transport or hire bikes to get around. Which would you prefer?

Write your **email** in 120-160 words.

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