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I. VOCABULARY AND GRAMMAR

1.	I'll g	o on holiday		I can.							
	А.	as soon as	B.	as	C.	until	Ι	D. how			
2.	Mr Brown me a very nice letter a few days ago.										
	А.	sends	B.	send	C.	sent	Ι	D. have sent			
3.	I apo	ologise no	ot wi	riting sooner.							
	А.	of	B.	to	C.	in	Ι	D. for			
4.	4. Although John was the eldest in the family, he always let his sister charge of										
	the h	iouse.									
	А.	hold	B.	make	C.	take	Ι	D. get			
5.	Ther	e are many diffic	culti	es to be w	ith w	hen they start	to ca	arry out a new plan.			
	Α	dealt	B	removed	С	attacked]	D overcome			
6.	Can	you me 5	\$ un	til next week?							
	А.	borrow	B.	let	C.	lend	Ι	D. rent			
7.	If he	lucky, h	e ca	n get the job.							
	А.	is	B.	had been	C.	would be	Ι). would have been			
8.	I dor	n't think he'll eve	er	the shock of	f his v	wife's death.					
	А.	get through	B.	get over	C.	get by	Ι	D. get off			
9.	Whe	n he heard the te	errib	le noise he asked i	me w	hat was	_ on	l.			
	А.	happening	B.	being	C.	getting	Ι	D. going			
10.	You	me, beca	nuse	I didn't say that.							
	А.	must misunderst	and		C.	must have mi	sund	erstood			
	В.	must be understa	ndir	g	D.	had to misund	lerst	and			
11.	My I	English is far froi	m pe	rfect but I know e	enoug	gh to get	_•				
				with	C.	by	D.	over			
12.	Som	e authors are too		to critisism.							
	А.	sensible	В.	sensitive	C.	sensational	D.	senseless			
13.				re could have prev							
				a few		little	D.	a little			
14.				is at the des							
	A.	that	В.	what	C.	whomever	D.	whoever			
15.		_		es, he smiled a wa							
	А.	Dress	В.	Dressing	C.	Dressed	D.	Being dressed			

16.	How	long Fre	ench	?						
	А.	do you study				C.	did you studi	ed		
	В.	have you studied	1			D.	you have stuc	lied		
17.	Wed	lidn't enjoy our l	nolid	ays	the w	eath	er was so awf	ul.		
	А.	if	B.	because		C.	but	D.	although	
18.	It do	esn't seem neces	sary	for us	eve	ry N	Ionday.			
	А.	to meet	B.	met		C.	meet	D.	meeting	
19.	It's v	very kind	you	to help me	with t	he ho	omework.			
	А.	in	B.	of		C.	to	D.	with	
20.	Tell	me there	is a	nything spee	cial tha	at yo	u would like t	o do	now.	
	А.	what	В.	which		C.	if	D.	though	
21.	Pleas	se shut the gate _		_ the dog w	on't ge	et ou	t.			
	А.	in order for	B.	in order to		C.	so as to	D.	so that	
22.		the salary me	ets n	ny expectation	ons, I v	will a	accept the job	offer	•	
	А.	So	В.	If		C.	Therefore	D.	Although	
23.	"Dor	n't forget to take		_ your shoe	es when	n you	ı are in a Japa	anese	e house."	
	А.			1			up	D.	off	
24.		ounger sister is a								
	А.	enough old	В.	old enough	l	C.	very old	D.	so old	
25.		r apologised								
	А.	not to phone me	earli	er		C.	me for phoning not earlier			
		for not phoning				D.	not for phoning me earlier			
26.		more you study,								
	А.	you will gain mo		•			the more knowledge you gain			
	В.	you are the more		U					ge do you gain	
27.		ve English classes		day - o	on Mor			s and	l Fridays.	
	A.	all other					every other	_		
•	B.	each other		.			this and the o	ther		
28.		B: Oh, th					-		1 1 ,	
	А.	When have you	got ti	his beautiful		C.		autifu	ll dress you're	
	ъ	dress?	-1			р	wearing!		- J	
	B.	You've just bou	-	his beautiful		D.		utiful	dress you have	
		dress, haven't yo	ou?				on!			

29.	The cars.	-	enco	uraging everyone	to _	water b	y no	t washing their
	А.	waste	B.	save	C.	spend	D.	use
30.	You'	ve just y	ours	elf. You said the o	ppos	ite a few minu	tes a	go.
	А.	disagreed	B.	disputed	C.	objected	D.	contradicted
31.	Jane	: Thank you for	a lov	vely evening. Barb	ara:			
	А.	You are welcom	ne		C.	Thanks		
	В.	Have a good day	у		D.	Cheer!		
32.	This	engine is really		, it can run for	30 kr	n on only 1 litr	e of	fuel.
				effective		efficient		
33.	Excu	ise me sir, are wo	e allo	owed dict	ionaı	ries into the ex	am?	
		take		to take		taking		
34.	At la	st the bus came.	We	for half an	n hou	r.		
	А.	waited			C.	have waited		
	В.	was waiting			D.	had been wait	ing	
35.	Ther	e was a time wh	en w	atching TV really		family ent	ertai	nment.
	А.	were	B.	was	C.	are	D.	is
36.		were		was t er's house, but th				
36.	Yest	were	y Pe		e fro	nt door was cl	osed.	He out.
	Yest A.	were erday I passed b went	y Pet B.	ter's house, but th	e fro C.	nt door was clo has gone	osed. D.	He out.
	Yest A.	were erday I passed b went he time I applied	y Pet B. , all	t er's house, but th must have gone	e fro C. ers _	nt door was clo has gone	osed. D. p.	He out. had had
37.	Yeste A. By th A.	were erday I passed b went he time I applied had been	y Pet B. , all B.	t er's house, but th must have gone the holiday vouch	e fro C. ers _ C.	nt door was cle has gone used u was	osed. D. p.	He out. had had
37.	Yest A. By th A.	were erday I passed b went he time I applied had been bread is rega	y Pet B. , all B. ardec	ter's house, but th must have gone the holiday vouch have been	e fro C. ers _ C. rape	nt door was cle has gone used u was	osed. D. p. D.	He out. had had are
37.	Yest A. By th A. A.	were erday I passed b went he time I applied had been bread is rega To make	y Pet B. , all B. ardec B.	ter's house, but th must have gone the holiday vouch have been I by some as a the	e fro C. ers _ C. raper C.	nt door was cle has gone used ug was utic activity. Making	Dsed. D. p. D. D.	He out. had had are
37. 38.	Yesta A. By th A. A. She l	were erday I passed b went he time I applied had been bread is rega To make	y Pet B. , all B. urdec B. ey th	ter's house, but the must have gone the holiday vouch have been I by some as a the Made	e fro C. ers _ C. rape C. eryth	nt door was cle has gone used ug was utic activity. Making	D. D. D. D.	He out. had had are Having made
37.38.39.	Yest A. By th A. A. She h A.	were erday I passed b went he time I applied had been bread is rega To make has mon such	y Pet B. , all B. urdec B. ey th B.	ter's house, but the must have gone the holiday vouch have been I by some as a the Made tat she can buy ev	e fro C. ers _ C. rape C. eryth C.	nt door was cle has gone used ug was utic activity. Making iing she wants.	D. D. D. D.	He out. had had are Having made
37.38.39.	Yest A. By th A. A. She h A. It's t	were erday I passed b went he time I applied had been bread is rega To make has mon such ime they	y Per B. , all B. ardec B. ey th B. pro	ter's house, but the must have gone the holiday vouch have been I by some as a the Made hat she can buy ev so	e fro C. ers _ C. raper C. eryth C. w.	nt door was cle has gone used ug was utic activity. Making iing she wants.	Dsed. D. p. D. D.	He out. had had are Having made so many
37.38.39.40.	Yest A. By th A. A. She h A. It's t A.	were erday I passed b went he time I applied had been bread is rega To make has mon such ime they get	y Per B. , all B. ardec B. ey th B. pro B.	ter's house, but the must have gone the holiday vouch have been I by some as a the Made tat she can buy ev so motion, in my vie got	e fro C. ers _ C. rape C. eryth C. w. C.	nt door was cle has gone . used up was utic activity. Making ing she wants. so much will get	Dsed. D. p. D. D. D.	He out. had had are Having made so many have got
37.38.39.40.	Yest A. By th A. A. She h A. It's t A. Peop	were erday I passed b went he time I applied had been bread is rega To make has mon such ime they get	y Per B. , all B. ardec B. ey th B. pro B.	ter's house, but the must have gone the holiday vouch have been I by some as a the Made tat she can buy ev so so	e fro C. ers _ C. rape C. eryth C. w. C.	nt door was cle has gone . used up was utic activity. Making ing she wants. so much will get	D. D. D. D. D. D.	He out. had had are Having made so many have got

42.	2. The candidate to have withdrawn her application.								
	А.	claimed	B.	said	C.	denied	D.	reported	
43.	She _	on her c	omp	uter for more tha	n tv	vo hours when	she	decided to stop for a	
	rest.								
	А.	has worked			C.	was working			
	В.	has been workin	ng		D.	had been work	ing		
44.	It's n	tice I am now in	Lone	don again. This is	the s	econd time I $_$		_ there.	
	А.	will be	B.	would be	C.	was	D.	have been	
45.	I	my Mum by	coo]	king dinner for he	er.				
	А.	cheered up	B.	looked up	C.	waited for	D.	felt like	
46.	"If w	e can't afford a	car,	we'll just have to _		one."			
	А.	do with	В.	put up with	C.	do without	D.	catch up with	
47.	A go	od essay must _		_ contain enough	1 inte	eresting ideas	and	specific exam but also	
	have	good organizati	on.						
	А.	in addition	B.	either	C.	not only	D.	as well	
48.	"You	ı should stop wo	rking	g too hard	you	'll get sick. "			
	А.	or else	В.	if	C.	in case	D.	whereas	
49.	In or	der to avoid bor	edon	n, the most import	tant	thing is to keep	on_	•	
	А.	occupation	В.	occupied	C.	occupant	D.	occupational	
50.	I agr	ee you _		_ what the proble	em is	•			
	А.	with / in	В.	with / for	C.	on / about	D.	with/about	
51.	"Hov	w many times ha	ve I	told you fo	otba	ll in the street	, ,,		
	А.	not to play	В.	do not play	C.	not playing	D.	not to have played	
52.	We c	ouldn't fly	be	ecause all the ticke	ets ha	ad been sold ou	ı t.		
	А.	economical	В.	economy	C.	economic	D.	economics	
53.	"Sho	uld we bring a l	ot of	money on the trip	?" –	"Yes	ve de	ecide to stay longer."	
	А.	So that	В.	Because	C.	In case	D.	Though	
54.	After	r nine months w	vitho	ut any rain, the c	ount	ry was facing	one	of the worst in	
	the la	ast fifty years.							
	А.	draughts	В.	floods	C.	eruptions	D.	droughts	
55.	It's t	he most s	story	I've ever read.					
	А.	boring	В.	bore	C.	bored	D.	boringly	
56.	Over	• the past two yea	ars tl	ne of living	g has	risen consider	ably		
	А.	rate	В.	change	C.	cost	D.	price	

- 57. She'd rather watch television, ? **B.** wouldn't she **C.** hadn't she **D.** doesn't she A. didn't she 58. Instead of ______ a new car, she'll have her old one A. to buy/ repaired **C.** buying/ be repaired **B**. buying/ to repair **D.** buying/ repaired 59. I'd rather you _____ too much time surfing the Internet. don't spend **B.** not spend **C.** didn't spend **D.** not to spend A. 60. Emily said that her teacher _____ to London _____. will go/ tomorrow **C.** had gone/ the next day A.
 - **B.** would go/ the next day
- **D.** goes/ today

II. For each question, choose the correct answer.

Please note:

this afternoon's football class will be tomorrow instead, as Mr Hall is away today.

2.

1.

Hi Jane, Have you finished with that book I lent you? It's just that my brother needs it for a school project. Thanks, Louise

3.

<u>Picnic area</u>

No ball games here – please use the other side of the park.

- A. There is no football class today.
- **B.** Mr Hall can't come to the football class tomorrow.
- **C.** You can choose to go to the football class today or tomorrow.
- **A.** Louise is offering to lend Jane a book.
- **B.** Louise wants her book back from Jane.
- **C.** Louise's brother has borrowed a book from Jane.
- A. You can buy food somewhere else in the park.
- **B.** Please don't eat while you are playing sport here.
- **C.** This is a place for eating and you can't play football here.

Museum open from 12. Children must be with an adult.

5.

4.

From: Mrs Monmouth, Head Teacher To: All Pupils and Parents Hello, This week, please don't use the car to get to school. Coming on foot is healthy and doesn't take much time. Thanks Mrs Monmouth

Why has Mrs Monmouth written this message?

6.

Pedro's Pizza Bar

Buy two pizzas at the same time, and we'll give you a third one for free! This offer is Mon-Fri only.

7.

John, You know I said that football practice will be on Wednesday ... Well, it isn't – it's on Thursday. Sorry! See you there. Cheers, Adam

Why has Adam written this message?

- **A.** Adults can take children to the museum in the morning.
- **B.** Adults with children over 12 will enjoy the museum.
- **C.** Children can visit the museum if they are with an adult.
- **A.** to ask pupils to walk to school.
- **B.** to tell pupils to get to school on time.
- **C.** to explain about a health problem at school.

- A. Pedro's Pizza Bar isn't open at weekends.
- **B.** The third time you visit, you get a free pizza.
- **C.** Three pizzas cost the same as two.

- A. to ask if John wants to play football.
- **B.** to tell John that Adam can't play football.
- **C.** to let John know about a change of plan.

8.

SCHOOL FESTIVAL OF BOOKS Meet Ralph Sparks.

Hear how he got ideas for his books, including *History of Exploring the New World*.

Thurs 9 a.m. Room D31.

9.

Science Museum trip next Friday Tickets are available for \$4 (for

coach transport to the museum, and

for museum entry). If you're interested, see Mr Goss.

10.

From: Lizzie To: Jenny Jenny, I think I left my scarf in your flat after the party. Have you seen it? Otherwise I'll buy another one. Lizzie

Why has Lizzie written this?

11.

Hi Dave,

I broke my tennis racket. Can I use yours? I'll give it back in maths tomorrow. By the way, wasn't the homework difficult? Mike

Mike wants to

- **A.** buy books.
- **B.** read about explorers.
- C. come and listen to a writer.

- A. You can now buy tickets for the museum trip.
- **B.** Tell Mr Goss how you want to travel to the museum.
- **C.** Mr Goss will tell you if you need a ticket to the museum.
- **A.** to invite Jenny to a party
- **B.** to tell Jenny about a shopping trip
- **C.** to ask about something that she's lost

- **A.** play tennis with Dave.
- **B.** borrow something from Dave.
- C. get help from Dave with the homework.

Mr Gregson is away today. Class 3, at 9 a.m., please go and join Class 4 in Room 7C for geography. Mr Gergson will be back tomorrow.

13.

School singing practice starts this week. Please don't arrive later than 1:25, as we must all be ready by 1:30.

Thank you.

14.

You may return games that aren't opened to the shop and get your money back.

You can return a game if

15.

Book club

Do you enjoy discussing books with classmates? Yes? Then come along to the book club. To join, contact Mr Sponforth.

Speak to Mr Sponforth if

16

Hi Dad! It's Sam's birthday, so I want to buy a present. Could you lend me enough to get him something from the bookshop? Thanks! Davey

- **A.** There isn't a geography lesson tomorrow.
- **B.** Class 4's lesson is happening at a different time today.
- **C.** There will be more people in Room 7C than usual today.
- A. Singing practice starts at 1:25.
- **B.** There is no singing practice this week.
- C. Please arrive early for singing practice.

- A. it doesn't work.
- **B.** you don't like it.
- C. you haven't used it.

- A. you are interested in becoming a member of the book club.
- **B.** you would like to borrow a book from the club.
- C. you have read the same book as your classmates.
- A. go shopping with his dad.
- **B.** borrow some money.
- **C.** ask what to get for Sam.

Davey wants to

HONEY CAFÉ

Unfortunately two of our staff are ill today. (We must have at least three to open.)

Open at 9 a.m. tomorrow.

18.

Smitford's Computer Store

Bring us your old laptop* when you get a new one from us and receive £100 off.

*must still work

19.

Hi Dave.

I hope you can still play football today. The time of the game has changed to 5.00 p.m. See you there. Mike

20.

WANTED: Cleaner No experience needed Must be hard worker Phone: 07654 321111

21.

To: Diana Ruth

From:

Diana.

Sorry, I will be late for our meeting today. Please start the meeting without me and I will join you when I can.

- A. The café is closed today.
- **B.** We are looking for more staff.
- **C.** Tomorrow we open at a different time.

- **A.** We repair old laptops.
- **B.** Old laptops are for sale for £100.
- **C.** Save money when you buy a new laptop.

- **A.** Dave and Mike will go to the game together.
- **B.** Mike thinks Dave wants to change the time of the game.
- **C.** Mike wants Dave to know the time of the game.
- **A.** Somebody wants a cleaner with no experience.
- **B.** Somebody wants a cleaner and experience is not important.
- C. Somebody wants a hard-working cleaner with no experience.
- **A.** Ruth will come to the meeting after it starts.
- **B.** Ruth wants Diana to wait for her before the meeting.
- C. Ruth will start the meeting later than she planned to start it.

Special Supermarket Offer!

Today only! 5 bananas for £2 Offer ends at 5 p.m.

23.

Henry,

I forgot eggs. We don't need many, but I want you to bake a cake. Can you get some on your way home? Monika

24.

25.

LATE NIGHT SHOPPING!

Until 8 p.m. in the week and until 10 p.m. at the weekend

STAFF PARKING ONLY

For extra spaces and student parking, turn left

- **A.** After 5 p.m. bananas will be more expensive.
- **B.** You can only buy bananas today.
- C. Before 5 p.m. there is no special offer.

- A. Monika wants to bake a cake.
- **B.** Monika wants Henry to buy eggs.
- **C.** Monika doesn't need eggs.

- **A.** On Mondays you can shop at 9 p.m.
- **B.** On Fridays you can only shop after 8 p.m.
- C. On Saturdays and Sundays you can shop at 9 p.m.
- **A.** This is the only place where staff can park.
- **B.** Extra space is only for students.
- C. Turn left if you are staff and the car park is full.

Ice cream

Fifty years ago, people only ate ice cream in the hot summer months - but now (1)..... is eaten at any time of the year. Who made the first ice cream is a question (2)..... we can't answer, but we think an Italian adventurer called Marco Polo saw people (3)..... ice cream in China 700 years ago. He brought the idea back to Italy. It soon became very popular.

Ice cream then became very popular in France, (4)..... only very rich people had enough money to buy it. Before we had fridges, people used large pieces of ice from lakes to (5)..... ice cream cold. The first ice cream factory opened in America in 1851. Americans eat more ice cream than (6)..... other nationality – 23 litres per person per year!

1.	A.	they	B.	it	C.	she
2.	А.	that	В.	who	C.	when
3.	А.	doing	В.	making	C.	liking
4.	А.	but	В.	SO	C.	or
5.	А.	keep	В.	kept	C.	keeping
6.	А.	all	В.	any	C.	each

Rice

Did you know that for half the people in the world, rice is (1)..... most important food? Most of these people live in Asia (2)..... a person might eat 90 to 180 kilograms of rice in one year!

But where did rice come from? Indian people (3)..... growing rice 5,000 years ago, but we think that people first grew rice in China. The first Europeans that grew rice lived in Spain. American settlers (4)..... growing rice about 400 years ago.

(5)..... are thousands of different kinds of rice. Wild rice grows in lakes in Canada and you can sometimes find 'hill rice' growing like grass in dry fields. (6)..... most rice grows in about 15 centimetres of water in special flat fields called 'paddies'.

- 1. A. the
 - **B**. a **B**. how
- 2. A. when 3.
 - A. were **B**.

- **C**. one
- C. where
- **C**. was are

4.	А.	wanted	В.	decided	C.	started
5.	А.	These	В.	There	C.	They
6.	А.	And	В.	So	C.	But

Life before mobile phones

Today, (1)..... all teenagers have a mobile phone and cannot imagine life without one. But most of their parents did not have a mobile phone when they were young – the (2)..... of one did not even enter their heads.

Twenty-five years ago, young people did not (3)..... to their friends on the phone very much. There were phones in the home, but these were used by the (4)..... family. Instead, young people often met up with their friends and did a variety of activities with them.

Today, many parents are happy for their teenage children to have a phone. They think there are good (5)..... for them having one. For example, if their children are out, they can call them to (6)..... where they are and what time they will be home.

1.	А.	already	B.	nearly	C.	easily
2.	А.	idea	В.	thing	C.	difference
3.	А.	say	В.	tell	C.	speak
4.	А.	whole	В.	full	C.	extra
5.	А.	ways	В.	reasons	C.	sorts
6.	А.	look out	В.	go out	C.	find out

Hip-hop

Hip-hop is more than just a (1)..... of music. For people who love hip hop, it is often a (2)..... of life. The words in the songs are very important as well as how people dance and the how they (3).....

Hip-hop started in the Bronx area of New York City in the 1970s. But like all music, hip-hop had its beginnings in (4)..... kind of music. In the case of hip-hop, this music was African-American music, and some even say African music. Since the 1990s hip-hop has (5)..... very popular all over the world. People have enjoyed hip-hop for more than forty years already. Like rock and roll, it will probably (6)..... to be popular for many more years!

А.	song	B.	band	C.	type
A.	fashion	B.	way	C.	reason
A.	dress	В.	wear	C.	show
A.	another	В.	different	C.	other
A.	begun	В.	arrived	C.	become
A.	stay	В.	continue	C.	keep
	A. A. A. A.	 A. song A. fashion A. dress A. another A. begun A. stay 	A.fashionB.A.dressB.A.anotherB.A.begunB.	A.fashionB.wayA.dressB.wearA.anotherB.differentA.begunB.arrived	A.fashionB.wayC.A.dressB.wearC.A.anotherB.differentC.A.begunB.arrivedC.

Dolphins

Dolphins are different from the fish in the sea in many ways. They're part of the family of whales. They're warm, they (1)..... babies which stay with (2)..... mothers for years, and usually swim together in family groups called 'herds'.

People think that dolphins are unusually clever animals. Dolphins 'talk' to one another and understand each other very well and (3)..... dolphins can learn to understand words in our language. They also will (4)..... instructions. They're friendly and enjoy playing games, too. You often see (5)..... swimming near ships at sea.

Dolphins prefer to eat certain kinds of food which they can find even if it's dark, (6)..... they don't need to drink. They get all the water that they need from the fish they eat.

1.	A.	has	B.	have	C.	are having
2.	А.	its	B.	their	C.	our
3.	А.	many	В.	any	C.	a lot
4.	А.	follow	В.	following	C.	followed
5.	А.	him	В.	it	C.	them
6.	А.	because	B.	but	C.	or

My city

Pop singer Charlotte Bond talks about living in London.

I live in the centre of London. I love it because there's always something happening and there are people around whatever time it is. Famous people like it too - they often come here for the restaurants and shops.

I've lived here all my life. When I was little, I had singing lessons at a place near where I live now. I was afraid of the teacher at first, and some of the songs we did together were quite hard to learn. But she was good at what she did and I learned a lot of things that have helped me in my career.

When friends visit me now, I enjoy taking them sightseeing. You can get a bus around the city, but we prefer to walk. I've got a little car and I love driving, but there's so much traffic here, and it's hard to find parking spaces.

One building I love is the Natural History Museum. They sometimes hold parties there, and last December my band and I played at one. I'll never forget it. When I go to exhibitions at the museum with my friends, I tell them all about that night and how amazing it was.

Soon I'll be leaving London to go on tour with my band. We're playing in lots of new cities and I can't wait to explore them. We've sold lots of tickets, which is great. I'll be away from my family for six months, but they're coming to see me sing, so it's fine.

- 1. What does Charlotte love about the centre of London?
 - **A.** It is always busy.
 - **B.** Famous people often visit.
 - **C.** The shops are very good.
- 2. How does Charlotte feel about the singing lessons she had?
 - A. She's surprised she can remember them.
 - **B.** She's sorry she didn't try harder.
 - **C.** She's glad she did them.
- 3. What does Charlotte think is the best way to see the city?
 - A. by car
 - **B.** on foot
 - **C.** by bus
- 4. Why does Charlotte love the Natural History Museum?
 - **A.** She had a special experience there.
 - **B.** She thinks the building is beautiful.
 - **C.** She enjoys visiting the exhibitions.

- 5. What does Charlotte say about going on tour with her band?
 - A. She hopes lots of people will buy tickets for her shows.
 - **B.** She feels excited about seeing new places.
 - C. She's worried she'll miss her family.

Playing music

Playing music in a rock band is a great way to meet people who are interested in the same things as you, and to have a lot of fun. The first thing you'll need to do is decide what instruments you want in your band. Most bands have one or two guitars, a singer, drums and keyboards, but you can change this. However, every band must have drums – you will need someone who can play those.

The next thing is to find your bandmates. Begin by making a poster. Describe the kind of music you want to make and the instruments you want in your band. Put the poster up in your school or college and ask your friends if they know anyone who would like to join.

Once you have a band, you'll need to quickly think of a name. The best way to do this is to spend two hours with your bandmates, writing down hundreds of ideas. Most will be really bad, but there will be a few good ones. Choose something surprising and interesting, that people won't be able to forget.

Next, you'll need to practise as much as you can. You will need a place where you can make a lot of noise without making your neighbours angry. Trying to play quietly will not help you get better. Don't spend time learning songs written by other people. Try writing your own. And don't be afraid of writing about your normal everyday experiences. All bands begin like this.

- 1. Which instrument does the writer think is most important in a band?
 - A. drums
 - **B.** guitars
 - C. keyboards
- 2. What does the writer suggest in the second paragraph?
 - A. listen to your classmates' bands
 - **B.** advertise in the place where you study
 - C. ask your friends to join your band

- 3. What does the writer say about choosing a band name?
 - **A.** Make sure it is easy to remember.
 - **B.** Be ready to change it if it is not popular.
 - C. Spend a few weeks thinking about it.
- 4. The writer thinks it is important for new bands to
 - A. write songs about unusual things.
 - **B.** begin by learning famous songs.
 - **C.** play loudly when they practise.
- 5. What is the best title for this article?
 - A. The world's best rock band
 - **B.** How to start a rock band
 - C. My life in a rock band

A wonderful year

Ben Jones talks about his year of travel before studying at university.

I always knew I wanted to spend a year travelling before university. I wanted to see the world, improve my skiing, make new friends from other countries and, more than anything, try lots of things I've never done before.

The first place I visited was France. I've always loved the French language and I wanted to study it. Then, while I was there, I became interested in French food. I took some cooking lessons at a farmhouse in the French countryside, and learned to make lots of lovely dishes.

Next, I visited Australia. My cousins live near the river in Sydney, so I had somewhere to stay. To begin with, we spent a lot of time sailing in their boat. But then I got a job in a hotel. It was great – the customers and staff were so friendly.

My last country was Japan, where I learned to become a skiing teacher. I planned to do a three-week course. But when I got there, I saw that I wasn't actually that good, so I changed to a seven-week one. The course was amazing and afterwards I got a job with a skiing company.

The other teachers were very friendly and on our days off, we did activities like snowboarding. One weekend we even did winter camping. That was quite interesting, but it was cold, so I can't say I slept well! Anyway, we're all planning to meet up soon and I can't wait.

- **1.** What did Ben want to do during the year after he left school?
 - **A.** try some different sports
 - **B.** have some new experiences
 - **C.** meet up with old friends
- 2. Why did Ben go to France?
 - A. to do a French cooking course
 - **B.** to see the French countryside
 - C. to learn to speak French
- **3.** Where did Ben live when he was in Australia?
 - **A.** in the hotel where he worked
 - **B.** with members of his family
 - **C.** on a boat on the river
- 4. Why did Ben change his course in Japan?
 - **A.** He heard about a better one.
 - **B.** He knew he needed more practice.
 - **C.** He wasn't enjoying the first one.
- 5. What does Ben say about winter camping?
 - **A.** It wasn't pleasant at night.
 - **B.** He would love to do it again soon.
 - **C.** It was the most interesting thing he's ever done.

Buddy, the Red Panda

Buddy and his brother, Rusty, are red pandas. They were born on 15 June 2013 and have lived in their own cage at London Nature Centre since 2015. Wild red pandas live in India, China and other Asian countries, but experts think that there are only about 2,500 still living in the wild.

Luckily, a lot of zoos and wildlife parks around the world are trying to protect the red panda. They have to eat special food called 'bamboo' which is difficult to buy, so there are over 50 bamboo plants growing at the Nature Centre for the pandas.

Just a few months after the pandas arrived at the Nature Centre, a terrible thing happened – Buddy got out of the Nature Centre. He was very clever though because he stayed close to home, and away from the traffic on the city's crowded roads. It took four days for the workers of the Nature Centre to find him!

One of the people who worked at the Nature Centre and who went to look for Buddy was Trudy Andrews. Trudy's father, Mr Andrews, told her that birds don't like being too close to animals like red pandas and they'll make a lot of noise to keep the panda away. He told her to look for Buddy up in the trees. Trudy heard some birds and looked up and saw Buddy there, just like her father explained.

Everyone was very happy when Buddy arrived back safely, especially Rusty! He happily shared some bamboo with his brother, who looked tired and was very hungry.

- **1.** Buddy and Rusty
 - **A.** lived in China.
 - **B.** were born on the same day.
 - **C.** live together with other pandas.
- 2. The Nature Centre
 - **A.** has to buy special food for the red pandas.
 - **B.** gives the red pandas about 50 different types of food.
 - **C.** grows bamboo for the red pandas.
- **3.** Buddy was lost
 - **A.** for less than a week.
 - **B.** far away from the Nature Centre.
 - **C.** with his brother, Rusty.
- **4.** Mr Andrews
 - **A.** found Buddy in a tree.
 - **B.** worked at the Nature Centre.
 - **C.** knew how to find Buddy.
- 5. When Buddy arrived back home.
 - **A.** he gave his brother some food.
 - **B.** his brother wasn't very happy.
 - **C.** he had a meal with Rusty.

Rebecca Miles – wildlife presenter

Rebecca Miles has always loved animals. When she was a child, she liked watching documentaries, TV programmes about real people and events. She also enjoyed going to the local zoo with her grandparents. Her father was an environmentalist, someone who works to protect the natural world, and she and her mother often went on trips with him, travelling to Africa and other parts of the world.

Rebecca studied zoology at university and began her career at a wildlife centre in Zambia. She worked with chimpanzees and studied how they live. She was also interested in

learning more about big cats like mountain lions. She made her first TV programme when she was 27. It was a documentary about tigers.

While she was in Asia, filming the documentary, she met her future husband, Ray. He was one of the cameramen on the programme. They quickly realized that they shared the same interests and cared about animals in danger. Now Rebecca and Ray work together on many different projects.

Apart from Zambia, Rebecca has travelled and worked all over Africa and Asia, and she and Ray are now planning to take their very first trip to South America to study mountain lions in the Andes. They would like to show where the mountain lions live and what they eat. They're interested in giving people information about the mountain lions and how to protect them.

Rebecca would like to write a book about her work and her life one day. She wants to make people think about the world they live in and all the amazing animals that are in danger. She'd like to show us that we can help even if we never travel to the places where those animals live.

- **1.** As a child, Rebecca went to Africa
 - **A.** with her grandparents.
 - **B.** with her parents.
 - **C.** only with her mother.
- 2. Rebecca met Ray
 - A. when she was working in Africa.
 - **B.** when they were working in Asia.
 - **C.** when he was presenting a documentary.
- 3. Rebecca and Ray
 - A. have not been to South America.
 - **B.** have been to Africa and Asia together.
 - **C.** have worked in Zambia.
- 4. In the Andes, Rebecca wants to teach people
 - **A.** how to give food to the mountain lions.
 - **B.** how to live next to the mountain lions.
 - **C.** that the mountain lions need our help.
- 5. One of Rebecca's aims is
 - A. to think about dangerous animals.
 - **B.** to become an author.
 - **C.** to make people travel more.