READING COMPREHENSION

[each answer worth 2 points] Read texts A-E and answer the ten questions below. For each answer, choose one of the sections in the article, A–E. Mark your answers on the separate answer sheet.

A

Glíma is the oldest form of wrestling in Iceland. The most widespread version of the sport is Byxtagsglíma in which two wrestlers attempt to trip and throw each other by grasping a belt worn around their opponent's waist and thighs. To win, a wrestler must make his opponent touch the ground with part of his body between the elbow and the knee. Wrestlers have to stand straight and are not allowed to fall on their opponents or to push them down by force. When they are fighting, they should always look over each other's shoulders, because it is considered more gentlemanly to wrestle by touch and feel than by sight. This form of glima has always been a friendly recreational sport, but there are other, much more violent versions.

B

Hurling is an outdoor sport played mainly in Ireland. Players use an axe-shaped wooden stick, called a hurley, to hit a small ball between the other team's goalposts, either over or under the crossbar. Fewer points are scored if the ball goes over the crossbar. The ball can be caught in one's hands and carried for no more than four steps, or hit in the air or on the ground with the stick. It can also be kicked or slapped with an open hand. A player who wants to carry the ball further than three steps has to bounce or balance the ball on the end of the stick. No special clothing or padding is worn by players, but a plastic helmet with a faceguard is recommended.

С

The official national sport of Argentina is **Pato**, a game which is played on horseback and combines elements of polo and basketball. The four-member teams fight for possession of a ball which has six conveniently sized handles, and score by throwing the ball through vertically positioned rings, located at the top of three-metre-high poles. A closed net, extending downwards, holds the ball after goals are scored. The winner is the team with the most goals scored after six periods of eight minutes. The word *pato* is Spanish for duck, as in the past, instead of the ball, a live duck was used inside the basket.

D

Lacrosse is an outdoor team sport in which players use netted sticks to pass and catch a hard rubber ball. The aim is to score goals by propelling the ball into the opponent's goal. The team which scores more goals wins. Lacrosse is Canada's national summer sport and is one of the fastest-growing sports in the USA. Each team is composed of ten players: three attackers, three midfielders, three defenders and one goaltender. In men's lacrosse, players wear protective equipment on their heads, shoulders, arms and hands, as body-checking is an integral part of the game, and stick-checks to the arms and hands are considered legal.

Ε

Tejo is a Colombian sport in which players hurl a metallic plate weighing around two kilograms through the air to try to hit a clay-filled box with gunpowder in the middle. When the disc hits this target, there is a loud explosion. Whichever team causes more explosions wins. Turmeque, a more ancient version of the sport, has been played for over 500 years by the indigenous groups living in the different parts of Colombia. Originally, players used a golden disc which evolved into a stone disc and is now a metal disc. It is very common to find professional tejo teams in the major cities and towns in Colombia at present. Most teams are sponsored by local companies.

Which sport...

allows players to hit a ball with equipment and parts of their body?	<mark>B</mark>	
originally involved the use of an animal?		
developed from a traditional native sport?		
allows players to use their bodies to obstruct their opponents?	D	
makes the wearing of protective equipment optional?	B	
disapproves of players looking at what they are doing?		
is rapidly increasing in popularity in a particular country?	D	
has games that last for approximately three quarters of an hour?	C	
involves the throwing of flat circular objects?	<mark>E</mark>	
involves contestants holding on to part of each other's clothing?	A	

GRAMMAR [each answer worth 2 points] Decide which answer – A, B, C or D – best fits each space. Mark your answers on the separate answer sheet. Only Standard English answers will be accepted.

If you the application to the company on time, they might have called you for an interview. I
can't understand why you didn't!
would send
sent
had sent
will send
They asked me for help, but eventually they managed to do it
on themselves
by their own
on their own
by theirselves
Please, the accounts checked by the accountant first thing tomorrow morning.
have
you have
you will have
will have
I couldn't remember my ex-boyfriend, so I was surprised when he turned up at my house last
night.
to invite
inviting
to have invited
invite
I have some doubts about whether Simon is really of doing this job.
reliable
able
capable
responsible
I don't think I'll need any warm clothes, but I'll bring some in case the weather
changes
will change
might change
would change
The questionnaire be handed in until the end of the month.
hasn't got
needn't
doesn't have
doesn't need

Would you mind down the volume a little, please?			
turning			
to turn			
to turning			
turn			
You can start looking for a job as soon as youthe work permit.			
will receive			
will have received			
would receive			
have received			
By the time we the party had already finished.			
arrived			
would have arrived			
have arrived			
would arrive			

VOCABULARY

[each answer worth 2 points]

Decide which answer – A, B, C or D – best fits each space. Mark your answers on the separate answer sheet.

I to other people borrowing my books, because they always forget to return them.	
avoid	
dislike	
<mark>object</mark>	
disagree	
Peter is under huge pressure from people in his group to dress differently.	
Deer Contraction of the second s	
colleague	
companion	
fellow	
Before taking your lawyer to court, you should legal advice.	
lesire	
search	
wish	
seek	
He got the job on the of his excellent qualifications.	
support	
assistance	
<mark>pasis</mark>	
packing	
This job won't to you unless you're a highly organised person.	
attract	
engage	
excite	
appeal	
You'll have plenty of to travel when you've been working here for a while.	
options	
occasions	
possibility	
opportunities	
Scientists have been a series of experiments on animals to see how effective the new dr	ug is.
carrying	
practising	
conducting	
undergoing	

One of the most difficult but rewarding of pastimes is mountain climbing. The modern climber must possess many different skills. Rock climbing a combination of gymnastic ability,
imagination and observation.
requires
insists
orders
calls
Medical science made enormous advances in the twentieth century. Most of the great 'killer'
diseases were and almost every day a new drug appeared on the market.
won
erased
removed
defeated
Tattooing has been around for thousands of years. The act of making a permanent design on the
body was originally thought to magical protection against disease and misfortune.
prove
do
provide
make

MULTIPLE-CHOICE CLOZE[each answer worth 2 points]Read the text below and then decide which expression best fits each space. Mark your answers on
the separate answer sheet.

Lifelong learning

Incentives play an important (1) _____ in our decisions to learn. As we get older, the outcomes of (2) _____ in learning may not be the same as when we were younger. For example, we are less likely to be (3) _____ as a result of training. The type of work-related training or learning we do also changes as we get older. Workers over 45 years old often take part in learning activities that relate directly to their function. So they may choose to (4) _____ those technical skills directly related to their work. By contrast, young workers are more (5) _____ to participate in training that is an investment in their future careers.

Organisations also want to continually renew their skills base. Recently, business has (6) _____ this largely through a steady inflow of newly (7) _____ young people onto the labour (8) _____. Traditionally, we have had a mix of those young people who bring new formal skills to the workplace, and a small proportion of older workers who (9) _____ their experience.

What we are seeing now is a decreasing proportion of young people entering the workforce and an increase in the proportion of older people. So, (10) _____ we change the nature of our education and learning across life, we will see a decline in formal skills in the working population.

1	focus	9	donate
1	game	9	contribute
1	role	9	sell
1	feature	9	supply
2	contribution	10	if
2	attendance	10	provided
2	activity	10	as long as
2	participation	10	unless
3	promoted		
3	raised		
3	advanced		
3	upgraded		
4	promote		
4	upgrade		
4	repeat		
4	restore		
5	probable		
5	possible		
5	able		
5	likely		
6	affected		
6	achieved		
6	fulfilled		
6	succeeded		
7	educated		
7	taught		
7	qualified		
7	finished		
8	market		
8	workforce		
8	employment		
8	staff		

ERROR IDENTIFICATION

[each answer worth 2 points] One of the CAPITALIZED EXPRESSIONS is incorrect. Identify the incorrect expression and mark your answer (A, B, C or D) on the separate answer sheet.

Cash rewards (A) ARE A COMMON FORM of motivation used by parents to encourage their children (B) TO WORK HARD at exam time. Some youngsters receive (C) PAYMENTS UP TO £100 for each A grade (D) THEY OBTAIN at the final exam.

The highly competitive world in which we live (A) IS HAVING a negative effect on (B) TODAY'S YOUTH, according to a number of psychiatrists. Modern children, (C) ARE TAKEN from school to piano lessons to dance training to swimming club, have (**D**) VERY LITTLE TIME to enjoy the lazy, fun time we normally associate with childhood.

Seeking a new life and hoping (A) FOR SIGNIFICANT CHANGE in their standard of living, foreign workers began flocking into Western Europe (B) DURING THE 1950s. In Britain, some of the first immigrants arriving from the West Indies and the Indian subcontinents (C) WERE WELCOMED by brass bands, but the dream of a new life (D) SOON TURNED SOUR for many.

There have been countless books and TV series (A) ON LIVING WITH teenagers, yet parents don't seem (B) TO HAVE DISCOVERED how to get their children (C) PICK UP THEIR CLOTHES from the bedroom floor, or even clean their room occasionally. It might be difficult to accept, but a new approach (**D**) TO DEALING WITH RUDE teenagers is for parents to look at their own behaviour.

It was a trip I'll never forget. We were feeling (A) VERY EXCITING as we climbed into a rather ancient bus. I was (B) AT PRIMARY SCHOOL and our teachers (C) HAD DECIDED to organise an excursion to (D) A WILDLIFE PARK NEARBY.

CULTURE

[each answer worth 1 point] Choose the best answer – A, B, C or D. Mark your answers on the separate answer sheet.

Which group contains American presidents that were assassinated? Woodrow Wilson, F. D. Roosevelt, Dwight Eisenhower John Adams, Lyndon Johnson, Calvin Coolidge Theodore Roosevelt, Harry Truman, George Washington

James Garfield, Abraham Lincoln, William McKinley

Which group contains only tragedies?

The Merchant of Venice, Macbeth, Twelfth Night, Romeo and Juliet King Lear, Taming of the Shrew, Othello, Antony and Cleopatra Othello, Midsummer Night's Dream, King Lear, Romeo and Juliet Antony and Cleopatra, Hamlet, King Lear, Othello

Which American writers are associated with the Beat Generation? Ernest Hemingway and F. S. Fitzgerald Phillip Roth and Bernard Malamud Richard Wright and James Baldwin Jack Kerouac and Allen Ginsberg

Which of the following are correctly matched?

The Kennedy Space Center – Florida Grand Canyon - Oregon Mount Rushmore - Alaska Liberty Bell – New York

Which author-character pair is MISMATCHED?

Ian Fleming – James Bond F. S. Fitzgerald – Scarlett O'Hara Charles Bukowski - Henry Chinaski Raymond Chandler - Philip Marlowe

Which group contains correct matches between books and their authors?

Pride and Prejudice - Jane Austen; Oliver Twist - Thomas Hardy; The Canterbury Tales - Geoffrey Chaucer

Catch-22 – Joseph Heller; The Grapes of Wrath – John Steinbeck; A Farewell to Arms – Ernest **Hemingway**

Sophie's Choice – William Styron; The Color Purple – William Faulkner; Lolita – Vladimir Nabokov; Lord of the Flies – William Golding; Animal Farm – George Orwell; Wuthering Heights – Mary Shelley

Which city is NOT correctly matched with a UK country? Manchester - England Glasgow – Wales Belfast – Northern Ireland

Edinburgh - Scotland Which group contains only British Conservative Prime Ministers? Boris Johnson, Winston Churchill, Jeremy Corbyn, Margaret Thatcher Theresa May, Margaret Thatcher, Tony Blair, Boris Johnson Boris Johnson, Theresa May, Margaret Thatcher, Winston Churchill Winston Churchill, Gordon Brown, Theresa May, Boris Johnson

Which group contains correct matches between films and their directors?

Psycho – Alfred Hitchcock; *Schindler's List* – Steven Spielberg; *Pulp Fiction* – Quentin Tarantino *Lost in Translation* – Sofia Coppola; *A Star Is Born* – Bradley Cooper; *1917* – Joel & Nathan Coen *Little Women* – Sam Mendes; *The Irishman* – Martin Scorsese; *Jojo Rabbit* – Taika Waititi *Dunkirk* – Christopher Nolan; *Booksmart* – Olivia Wilde; *The Big Lebowski* – Woody Allen

Which of these are correctly matched?

Independence Day (US) – June Thanksgiving Day (US) – November Remembrance Day (UK) – December St. Patrick's Day (UK) – January