

G R A M M A R

Complete the article by filling in the gaps with the proper verb form or verb tense. Write your answers in the spaces below the article. Example: (00) *would take*

Can you hear that?

We recently moved – what an upheaval! I knew, of course, that it –00– (take) a while to settle in. There was lots of work –01– (do): floors, tiles, etc. It was never going to be easy. But there was something else that –02– (make) my life difficult: a very persistent noise.

To begin with, I thought it –03– (come) from the building site a few blocks away. I soon realized that the sound was far too regular for that. It was every minute or so – and always for the same short length of time. I wondered whether it was coming from the supermarket directly beneath our flat.

‘Can you hear that?’ I asked the kids.

‘What?’ they replied.

‘That grinding noise,’ I said.

‘Not really,’ they said. ‘It –04– (bother, not) us.’

It did bother me. I went and stood outside the supermarket. I watched a customer –05– (enter) the store. As the automatic door closed behind him, the right-hand door made a scraping noise. Aha! I don’t like to complain, so I went back upstairs, hoping that the noise –06– (go) away by itself.

I told my husband, who was working abroad. ‘You –07– (go, must) and ask them to fix it,’ he said. ‘If you like, I’ll go and tell them when I –08– (get) back.’

Of course, the noise –09– (go, not, just) away, and I quickly reached the point where I hated the noise more than I hate –10– (complain). So, I put on my ‘big girl pants’ and went down to the supermarket to find an understanding employee.

‘Hi,’ I began tentatively. ‘I –11– (move, just) in upstairs. I hate to complain, but...’

After welcoming me to the neighbourhood, the sympathetic supermarket employee promised to let the maintenance team know, warning me that it could take a week or two to solve the problem, as they were very busy.

I –12– (forget, must) to tell my husband about my bravery, because a few days later, he came back from the supermarket and said, ‘I’ve told them that they have to fix the door’. I said, ‘It –13– (drive) us mad! If you –14– (fix, not, it), I’m going to kill someone!’

A few days later, it was all quiet in the living room. I waited a few minutes. Not one grind of the door! To make sure I hadn’t simply gone deaf, I went downstairs and stood outside the supermarket. It was true! The door –15– (fix). The noise was no more. What a relief! I told my husband the good news.

‘You see?’ he said. ‘If you want to get something done, you have to say it like you mean it!’

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Total Points:/15pts

V O C A B U L A R Y

Read the article 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. Write your answers in the spaces provided.

The Garden Isle of Kauai

On the west side of the island, the biggest <u>–00–</u> is Waimea Canyon, known as ‘the Grand Canyon of the Pacific’. I stop off at the town of Waimea, where Captain James Cook became the first European known to visit these islands in 1778; he was killed by <u>–01–</u> on the island of Hawaii just over a year later. I visit Captain Cook’s monument and get a <u>–02–</u> treat (said to be the best on the island) before going north to the canyon.	ATTRACT	00attraction.....
Going up the curving road to the Waimea Canyon <u>–03–</u> , I notice the relative dryness of the land, the <u>–04–</u> of the soil. The red dirt is a result of the high iron content of the <u>–05–</u> soil.	ISLAND FROST	01 02
Further up, the <u>–06–</u> becomes greener and the air cooler, and I feel the first <u>–07–</u> of the day on my skin. There’s <u>–08–</u> like that sense of expectation before you first look at something you know you’ll remember <u>–09–</u> .	LOOK OUT RED VOLCANO	03 04 05
Formed by the <u>–10–</u> and collapse of the central volcano that formed Kaumai, each <u>–11–</u> represents an eruption and the flow of lava that followed. This canyon with hills and valleys in reds, browns, and greens contrasts with the blue skies and <u>–12–</u> white clouds above.	LAND RAIN NO EVER EROSE LAY	06 07 08 09 10 11
From Puu o Kila, the view is truly <u>–13–</u> – even more so when a bank of clouds sweeps in, filling up the valley and making it <u>–14–</u> .	FLUFF BREATH APPEAR	12 13 14
Early the next morning, I drive south again, to Port Allen, and get on a seven-metre-long <u>–15–</u> raft with seven other tourists. After a quick <u>–16–</u> lesson from our captains, we sail out into the ocean. We stop to snorkel and later sail with a school of <u>–17–</u> dolphins, watching as they skim the water and spin in the air.	INFLATE SAFE SPIN	15 16 17
It’s an exciting ride that turns awe-inspiring when we arrive at the Napali Coast. One of the captains <u>–18–</u> navigates the turbulent waters to bring us under one of the <u>–19–</u> , cascading down the cliffs and into the mouth of a cave, though the crashing waves stop us from going <u>–20–</u> .	EXPERT FALL IN	18 19 20

(Adapted from *Discover Britain*, 2022, pp. 61-62).

Total Points:/10pts

R E A D I N G C O M P R E H E N S I O N

Read the article about running a food bank. For questions 01-10, decide which of the sentences (A-M) above the article best fits into each of the numbered gaps in the article. There are three extra sentences.

Local Heroes

- A to make healthy meals
- B allow people to choose their food
- C who simply volunteered to help
- D anyone doing something similar
- E to spread the word
- F what is going on in someone's life
- G offering to help with shopping
- H who have plenty of people around you
- I being put to good use
- J asking them to tick items to the value of £25
- K who was having a special treatment
- L but they fund everything else themselves
- M including many single parents

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In 2020, Claire Richie became the founder and chair of trustees at Sevenoaks Larder in Kent, and was awarded a BEM in the Queen's 2022 New Year Honours list for services to the community.

During the first lockdown in 2020, she did some shopping for her elderly neighbour, – 01 – and couldn't go out. She knew there must be others in the same situation, so she printed some flyers and distributed them to around 100 houses in her area, – 02 –. She got a lot of replies and was blown away by the number of people – 03 –.

Initially, she joined a community group, Care for Our Community, which was also shopping and dog walking for those who couldn't get out. But when it became clear some people were also struggling to pay for their food, she decided to strike out alone and set up a food bank, Lockdown Larder, in April 2020. A local church offered her a room and she managed to secure £1,000 from Sevenoaks Council to get started, and raised £2,500 via GoFundMe.

She had her heart set on giving their clients as much dignity as possible. Many food banks hand out the same gab of food to everybody, but she wanted to do it differently and – 04 –. So she devised a list of 80 products and sent it to those in need, – 05 –. Using the funds they'd raised, their volunteers then bought and delivered the food.

When the lockdown ended, their clients were still struggling, so she made the larder permanent. It's now called Sevenoaks Larder and is a registered charity. They have 370 volunteers and can help 150 clients at any one time. Most of the people they help have children, – 06 –. They choose from three food groups – protein, fruit and vegetables, and store cupboard items – ingredients – 07 –.

Their fundraising is ongoing – they use everything they can – 08 –, from social media to the community grapevine. They still receive money from sources such as their GoFundMe page, private individuals, village communities, local councils, and organisations, and food is donated by supermarkets.

Running the food bank has been a real eye-opener. Claire has always lived in Sevenoaks, but she had no idea of the level of need there – especially the mental health issues and level of domestic abuse. She's learnt never to judge – you never know – 09 –. She's so pleased that she sent those flyers out that day – it changed everything for her. Her advice to – 10 – is to trust their instincts.

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Total points:/10pts

Participant Number: _____

Olympiáda v anglickom jazyku, 33. ročník, celoštátne kolo 2022/2023, kategória 2C2 – úlohy

PROGRESSIVE TESTING – similes

Write down similes (comparisons of two things). You will score 1 point for every five correct examples.

For example:

as cool as a cucumber

L I S T E N I N G C O M P R E H E N S I O N

You will hear five articles on wellness holidays that give people the reset they're craving – whether physical, mental or spiritual. For statements 01-08 that summarise different ways to get away from fatigue and start fresh, match texts A-E you will hear. Three statements do not directly match the texts. Write X instead of a number for these. You will score five points.

- 01 Adopting traditional treatments and techniques to relax
- 02 Practising yoga to re-energise and find peace in beautiful terrain
- 03 Learning the meditative arts while at one with nature
- 04 An invigorating mix of swimming, spa therapy, and yoga
- 05 A complete reset if you need to get your health back on track
- 06 Recharging your batteries in a tranquil setting
- 07 Rekindling a sense of empowerment to deal with life's traumas
- 08 Using self-discovery techniques to help make positive choices

Total points: _____/5

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