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1. (15B)

GRAMMAR

Complete the article by filling in the gaps with the proper verb form or verb tense. Write your answers in the spaces provided in the article.

How you can fight global warming

Climate change can seem like such an enormous problem that individual actions – 00 – **would have** (have) little impact. Consider Europe's recent wide-ranging proposals – 01 – **to reduce** (reduce) its reliance on fossil fuels, including eliminating sales of new gas- and diesel-powered cars in the next 14 years.

But people can have an impact, experts say, both by how they spend their money and how they spend their time. Mary Weathers Case, for instance, chose to offset the carbon cost of a cross-country plane trip for her family through the site of Gold Standard. Dr. Case, a psychiatrist – 02 – **living** (live) in South Salem, N.Y., with her

husband and two children, said she – 03 – **had been watching** (watch) more news about climate change during the pandemic and – 04 – **had been** (be) motivated to do her part after hearing about the searing temperatures in the American West.

What – 05 – **surprised** (surprise) her, though, was that after spending USD 3,000 on plane tickets to Portland, Ore., she could offset that carbon for USD 150.

"I was surprised that it – 06 – **was** (be) so cheap," Dr. Case said. With certain investments –

namely those that reduce or remove carbon from the atmosphere – there – 07 – **are** (be) defined ways to measure their environmental impact. With others, like water conservation, the metrics are not as clear because there isn't an agreed upon unit – 08 – **to measure** (measure).

Sir Ronald Cohen advocates using what – 09 – **are called** (call) impact-weighted accounts, an initiative –

10 – **led** (lead) by Harvard Business School, to evaluate a company's positive and negative impact on the environment. By this measure, he – 11 – **has written** (write) that airlines like Lufthansa and

American Airlines have an environmental impact that – 12 – **makes** (make) both companies unprofitable.

Yet he is also open to a less-bad approach. People invested in fossil fuel companies – 13 – **should consider** (consider) that Exxon Mobil caused USD 39 billion in environmental damage from its carbon impact, while BP

caused USD 14 billion in damage. "It's where the world – 14 – **is heading** (head)," Sir Ronald said.

When Leah Weinberg, owner and creative director of Color Pop Events, which plans weddings, – 15 –

was moving

(moving) from one New York neighborhood to another, she found a company that had done away with cardboard boxes. Instead, the company provides the plastic, flip-top boxes that retailers like CVS use to deliver products to stores. These reusable plastic boxes are one of the solutions.

2. (10B)

VOCABULARY

Read the article below. Use the word given in CAPITALS to form a word that fits in the space provided.

Mediterranean marine life under threat

Mediterranean – 00 – **tropicalization** TROPICAL is rampant, with temperatures rising 20% faster than the – 01 –

global

GLOBE average, fish migrating, – 02 –

invasive

INVADE species appearing

while native species disappear, marine angiosperm sea meadows and coral reefs being destroyed, and jellyfish

populations spreading. The above – 03 –

consequenc

CONSEQUENT of the climate crisis on the

Mediterranean are revealed in a recent World Wildlife Fund report titled 'The Climate Change Effect in the

Mediterranean: Six Stories from an – 04 –

Overheating

HEAT Sea.' The report further expounds the six

following primary effects of climate change on the Mediterranean.

The increased water temperature creates tropical conditions; the result being that native species are either – 05 –

displaced

PLACE or die out.

There has been a significant – 06 –

expansion

EXPAND of jellyfish populations, – 07 –

particularly

PARTICULAR in the southern regions, which have experienced increasingly frequent and –

08 –

lengthy

LENGTH population – 09 –

explosions

EXPLODE. Long-term overfishing

has drastically reduced fish species which previously competed with jellyfish for food, and today certain – 10 –

fishermen

MEN catch more jellyfish than fish.

Neptune grass meadows are threatened by – 11 –

increasingly

INCREASE warm waters and a rising sea

level, which has had – 12 –

devastating

DEVASTATE impacts on both biodiversity and 'blue-carbon' – 13

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storage STORE – meaning marine plants that absorb carbon dioxide from the atmosphere. It is estimated that Neptune grass meadows store 11-42% of the Mediterranean region's CO2 – 14 –

emissions

EMIT.

An estimated 80-100% of fan mussel populations were recently lost off Spain, Italy, and other regions due to

increasing – 15 –

mortality

MORTAL rates.

The WWF report points out the – 16 –

dangerous DANGER relationship between the effects of climate change on the one hand and those provoked by direct human – 17 –

pressure

PRESS on marine life through overfishing, pollution, – 18 –

coastal

COAST

development, and sailing on the other hand.

30% of the Mediterranean would have to be protected in order to allow fish populations to recover, mitigate the effects

of climate change, and ensure – 19 –

sustainable

SUSTAIN fishing and tourism as well as food – 20 –

security

SECURE and prosperity for local communities.

3. (10B)

READING COMPREHENSION

Read the article about remote work. For questions 01-10, decide which of the sentences best fits into each of the numbered gap in the article. There are three extra sentences.

One risk of remote work: Being forgotten

When offices finally reopen, some companies plan to use them in a very different way than they did before the pandemic, giving workers the choice to come in just a few days a week, or not at all.

Some employees are eager – 01 –

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transfer to a different location /

putting in more hours and making more calls per minute H when it comes to humidity /

since it announced a year ago / they want to work from home full time /

to put as much into the company and the effort / where they work / our wellbeing is affected /

to return to the office full time / who planned to work primarily from home / whose study showed

as soon as they can, but others can't imagine ever going back to the way things were. Offering people more flexibility over – 02 –

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can help attract and retain talent, companies say.

Around 10,000 employees at Google recently applied to work remotely or – 03 –

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, and the company approved 85 percent of the requests. The real estate platform Zillow said more women had applied for its jobs – 04 –

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that most of its 5,900 employees could work from home permanently. The software company Slack, which also offered permanent remote positions last year, said that among recent hires the number of minority workers was 50 percent higher for those – 05 –
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than for those who preferred the office.
But even as the hybrid workplace reduces some longstanding barriers, it could introduce another type of inequality. Bias against remote workers could become a new obstacle – 06 –

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, say management experts and corporate executives themselves.
Though most evidence that remote workers are at a disadvantage is anecdotal, at least one study, led by researchers at Stanford University, suggests they are less likely to be promoted than their in-office peers. In the experiment, researchers randomly assigned workers at a large travel agency in Shanghai to work remotely or in the office for nine months. Though the remote workers were 13 percent more productive, – 07 –

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, they were promoted about half as often as their in-office peers.
The result is troubling partly because the desire to work remotely isn't evenly distributed, Dr Bloom said. He and his research team have conducted monthly surveys about remote work since May last year. As of March this year, among college-educated parents of young children, women have said – 08 –

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around 50 percent more often than men do.
The job site Indeed is considering – 09 –
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that remote workers are not receiving equal treatment, similar to the way it examines data as part of its diversity and inclusion efforts, said Paul Wolfe, the firm's head of human resources. In addition to demographic factors, 'another data point will be is this employee remote, flex or in-office,' he said. Indeed, has given its 10,000 employees the option to work remotely on a permanent basis.

'Feeling like you're second class and feeling like your career opportunities are limited means you're probably not going – 10 –

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as you could,' he said.

4. (5B)

LISTENING COMPREHENSION

You will hear five texts about what your tongue is telling you about your health. For texts A-E match statements 01-08 that summarise treatments. Three statements do not directly match the texts. You will score five points.



- 1 - If you suspect you have it, see your GP. Unlike other yeast infections, it can be treated with an over-the-counter product.
- 2 - Drink plenty of water, cut down on acidic drinks, and visit your doctor to find out if you should be taking vitamin supplements.
- 3 - When you have a red or white patch on the tongue that won't go away and isn't geographic tongue, visit your dentist.
- 4 - If they are accompanied by a fever, you have difficulty swallowing, or the sores last more than three weeks, visit a doctor, pronto.
- 5 - Pain when swallowing or pain in the ear can be signs of conditions when you need to see your GP.
- 6 - If you have any concerns, get your tongue checked out by a dentist, who can clean out the fissures and recommend oral hygiene practices.
- 7 - They can be removed by your doctor or dentist. Larger leukoplakia patches will require oral surgery.
- 8 - If you have any concerns, check with your GP to make quite sure.

Text A 3 / 6 / 2 / 8 / 4 / 7 / 1 / 5
 Text B 6 / 8 / 2 / 3 / 5 / 7 / 1 / 4
 Text C 5 / 6 / 2 / 7 / 8 / 3 / 4 / 1
 Text D 5 / 3 / 7 / 6 / 2 / 4 / 1 / 8
 Text E 7 / 5 / 3 / 8 / 6 / 2 / 1 / 4