

Тренувальний варіант з англійської (1)

Task 1. Read the texts below. Match choices (A-H) to (1-5). There are three choices you do not need to use. Write your answers on the separate answer sheet.

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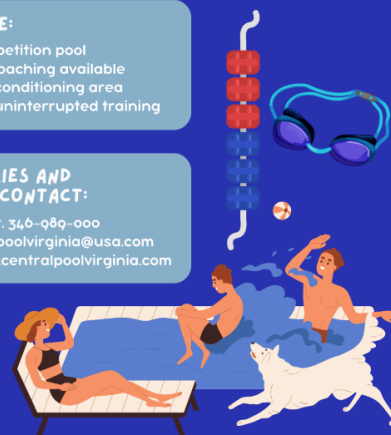
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- A** a leisure centre
- B** a theatrical performance
- C** a sports facility
- D** a sports competition
- E** sightseeing
- F** dining options
- G** a culinary show
- H** a history class

Task 2. Read the text below. For questions (6-10) choose the correct answer (A, B, C or D).

Few hobbies combine collecting Roman artefacts, mediaeval coins, and discovering bodies. But the very British hobby of mudlarking is making a comeback.

Mudlarking is a pastime that has become more popular in the last few years in London. It involves going to the River Thames at low tide and digging in the mud for valuable objects. A person who goes mudlarking is called a mudlark.

Mudlarking has its origins in 18th-century London. But in those days, it wasn't a hobby at all. It was actually a way for many children - and those too old to be employed - to survive. This was at a time when there were hardly any bridges crossing the river, so most people caught boats across. Getting on and off the boats, people dropped things. These were then found by mudlarks, the poorest level of society, who sold them to earn money, which would hopefully be just enough for a meal.

Steve Brooker is a modern-day mudlark and he's had this unusual hobby for 30 years. He's found everything from glass bottles and clay pots, to coins dating from Roman times right up to the present day. He says he has found many extraordinary things, but finding a human skeleton was particularly terrifying. He later found out the bones were 300 years old, but even so, it's an experience he is happy he hasn't repeated.

Steve often goes to the river near where he lives, but on the day I met him, he accompanied me in my boat to the east of the city. Steve was excited because he hadn't had a boat for a few years, and this meant he could reach an area where he hadn't been for some time. 'Getting caught out by the tide is a real danger,' Steve explains. He advises us, as he does with anyone he has guided on the river, to watch for the water level and always have an escape route. We appear to be ok and our boat is on its way on and off the Blackwall foreshore.

Apart from a permit, the only tools required for mudlarking are a bucket and something to dig with. At 25°C, we are lucky with the weather, but even on rainy days, keen mudlarks can be found by the water's edge. 'Every day, as the water level rises and falls it moves objects in the mud,' explains Steve. 'So it's possible to find really good things any time of the year.' Steve quickly fills his bucket with coins, Victorian pipes, old keys, and even a jar that he says came from an old food factory that used to be nearby. He knows exactly where to look and hardly digs down at all. After an hour, his top object is a metal toy from the 1800s. Much of what he finds goes to local museums.

'That's what anyone who goes mudlarking usually does,' says Steve. Steve explains why the river mud holds such treasure. 'It is anaerobic, which means it doesn't hold air. Therefore, anything in it stays in great condition,' he says. Once they are opened up to the air, however, their condition starts to break down, so mudlarking is all about keeping things that would otherwise fall to pieces'.

6) In 18th-century London, mudlarking...

- A) was mainly done by the elderly.
- B) was a popular hobby for boat owners.
- C) was often practised by restaurant staff.
- D) was a way for some young people to stay alive.

7) What does the author say about Steve Brooker?

- A) He has uncovered coins used in different periods of history.
- B) He has discovered an animal's bones while mudlarking.
- C) He hopes to continue this hobby for many more years.
- D) He hopes he will find more bones soon.

8) What advice does Steve offer other mudlarks?

- A) They should buy a boat.
- B) They should have a plan in case of an emergency.
- C) They should travel up the river whenever they want to.
- D) They should practise their hobby on all parts of the river.

9) Steve says that for mudlarks, finding the best objects depends on ...

- A) the tools.
- B) the location.
- C) the river.
- D) the time of day.

10) Most modern mudlarks ...

- A) hold on to what they find.
- B) clean what they find and then sell it.
- C) hand over what they find to someone else.
- D) keep what they find for ages and sell it at a later stage.

Task 3. Read the texts below. Match choices (A-H) to (11-16). There are two choices you do not need to use.

11 - Shakespeare and Company - Paris, France

Shakespeare and Company, located in the heart of Paris, is one of the world's most iconic bookstores. Founded in 1919 by Sylvia Beach, it served as a gathering place for literary figures such as Ernest Hemingway, James Joyce, and F. Scott Fitzgerald during the 1920s. Today, it continues its legacy as a haven for writers and readers alike, with its cozy atmosphere and extensive collection of English-language books.

12 - Powell's Books - Portland, Oregon, USA

Powell's Books, often dubbed "City of Books," is a literary landmark in Portland, Oregon. Established in 1971, it spans an entire city block and houses over one million books across multiple floors. Powell's is renowned for its vast selection, including new, rare editions, and out-of-print titles.

13 - The Strand - New York City, USA

Boasting "18 Miles of Books," it is one of the largest independent bookstores in the world. The Strand is famous for its eclectic selection, including new releases, used books, and rare finds. While there are no specific rules posted, visitors are expected to adhere to common courtesy and refrain from disruptive behavior to ensure an enjoyable experience for all.

14 - El Ateneo Grand Splendid - Buenos Aires, Argentina

Housed in a grand theater dating back to 1919, El Ateneo Grand Splendid in Buenos Aires is a breathtaking blend of literature and architecture. Renovated into a bookstore in 2000, it retains its original ornate features, including frescoed ceilings, velvet curtains, and balcony seating. Visitors can peruse the extensive collection of books while basking in the theater's opulent ambiance.

15 - Bart's Books - Ojai, California, USA

Bart's Books in Ojai, California, is unlike any other bookstore, with its unique outdoor setting and honor system. Founded in 1964 by Richard Bartinsdale, it began as a small collection of books displayed on shelves outside his home. Today, it spans multiple outdoor areas, offering a vast selection of books, ranging from bestsellers to rare editions. Visitors are trusted to pay for their purchases using the provided cash box, embodying the spirit of trust and community.

16 - Atlantis Books - Santorini, Greece

Located on the picturesque island of Santorini, Atlantis Books is a charming indie bookstore with a breathtaking view of the Aegean Sea. Founded by a group of friends in 2004, it has become a beloved destination for book lovers and travellers seeking literary inspiration. Atlantis Books has no set rules, welcoming visitors to browse its eclectic collection of books, relax on its terrace with a book in hand, and soak in the stunning Mediterranean vistas.

Which place _____?

A. at first was just a book exhibition presented outdoors at the place of residence

- B.** features books or publications that are no longer being produced or sold by their original publishers
- C.** claims that visitors are trusted to pay for their purchases whenever they are able to
- D.** is located on the picturesque island in France
- E.** is located in a place designed for the presentation of live performances, including plays, musicals, concerts etc
- F.** features second-hand books
- G.** has a wide-ranging assortment of books in the English language
- H.** offers you to enjoy astonishing panorama of the body of water

Task 4. Read the text below. Choose from (A – H) the one which best fits each space (17-22). There are two choices you do not need to use. Write your answers on the separate answer sheet.

Why Americans Walk Less than Europeans

Cars have been part of the "American dream" of a more comfortable life for everyone for about 100 years. So it's perhaps **(17)** walk much less than Europeans.

The average US adult makes about 12% of their daily trips on foot — **(18)** people make on foot in some European countries, according to a US study.

People in the United Kingdom walk for 26% of their trips, **(19)** , the researchers wrote in the journal *Sustainability*.

Pedestrians in the US are also up to 10 times more likely to die in an accident **(20)** and the Netherlands.

And while walking has become safer every year in many European countries, the rate of pedestrian deaths in the US rose by 25% from 2010 to 2020. The researchers said one reason **(21)** in the average size and power of US vehicles.

"People walk less in the United States because it's more dangerous to walk here and walking conditions **(22)**, " said study co-author Ralph Buehler.

"So we're caught in a bit of a spiral that discourages walking and encourages driving in the US."

- A. less than half the percentage of trips
- B. for the rise in deaths could be an increase
- C. of the deaths rise may be
- D. are worse compared to other countries
- E. is constructed differently
- F. than those in Germany, Denmark
- G. compared with 24% in France, and 22% in Germany
- H. no surprise that Americans

Task 5. Read the texts below. For questions 23-32 choose the correct answer (A, B, C or D). Write your answers on the separate answer sheet.

Mushrooms grow from coffee

A Belgian company named PermaFungi is transforming used coffee grounds into **(23)** mushrooms and insulation tiles. At a former industrial site in Brussels, workers harvest oyster mushrooms that grow **(24)** on coffee grounds and straw. The straw stops the mushrooms from growing on urban **(25)** Workers mix the coffee grounds in a large drum, they add the mushroom parts, and then they transfer the mixture to small bags. After 15 days, they harvest the mushrooms. PermaFungi uses the residue from their oyster mushroom farms to create a biodegradable material that can replace plastic. They add mycelium. The company says that their **(26)** growing mushrooms could dramatically **(27)** the level of pollution.

23	A.sensible	B.flexible	C.edible	D.visible
24	A.bravely	B.carefully	C.closely	D.mainly
25	A.garbage	B.waste	C.pollution	D.trash

26	A.way for	B.method of	C.type on	D.genre of
27	A.increase	B.effect	C.include	D.reduce

No Room in Space

Since the 1950s, the world **(28)** about 16,000 objects into space, from satellites and probes to rockets and manned spacecraft. Some came back to Earth. Some still perform a function in space. And some just sit in our planet's orbit, slowly **(29)** into pieces.

From parts of rockets to flakes of paint, the debris that clutters Earth's orbit travels at speeds of around 7-8 kilometers a second. These can cause great damage — and create even more debris — if objects collide.

If key satellites **(30)** by debris, navigation and communication services could be disrupted across the world.

And while even the **(31)** pieces of space debris can cause damage to satellites and spacecraft in orbit, humans on **(32)** may be at risk of harm too.

28	A.was launching	B.has launched	C.launches	D.is launching
29	A.broken	B.is broken	C.is breaking	D.breaking
30	A.will be hit	B.being hit	C.hit	D.are hit
31	A.smaller	B.smallest	C.small	D.most small
32	A.Earth	B.an Earth	C.the Earth	D.a Earth

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30	D
31	B
32	A