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Until recently, very (1) ... people went cycling, but over the last few years more bikes have been sold in Britain (2) ... cars. Now approximately two million bicycles (3) ... bought each year, the majority of which are mountain bikes. (4) ... are about 500 models to choose from and the prices vary enormously.

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Language experts have found that children can learn two languages at the (1) ... time and that they can't really tell the (2) ... between them. They can easily switch from (3) ... language to the other once they have learnt when and with whom they should use each language.

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Dear John,  
I've just heard this morning that I got the job! To celebrate, I'm inviting a few friends to a small party next Saturday night. Do come and bring your new girl-friend. It should be fun! (1) ... me know whether you can make it or not, just in case I end up inviting too many people! The flat's not big (2) ... for a huge crowd I am (3) ... forward to seeing you.  
Yours, Sally

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Generally (1) ..., food and feeling good go together. Our mental and physical well-being is directly affected by what we eat. A healthy diet is the key. But what makes a 'good' diet? Firstly, it is important to eat something of each food group. There are four different food groups, (2) ... fit into a food pyramid. The pyramid indicates which food we are most in (3) ... of.

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Honey was the main source of sugar in ancient times. It was highly prized not only as a foodstuff but (1) ... as a medicine. In those days, the art of bee keeping (2) ... known only to a select few members of secret societies, who were treated with great respect. Nowadays, of course, bee-keeping is not surrounded by such mystique. It is a popular hobby that can be (3) ... up by anyone with a (4) ... money to spend and some space in their garden.

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Graffiti began in the 1960s in New York City when someone started writing his signature or "tag" on as man surfaces (1) ... he could. Other young people copied him and soon (2) ... were designs and paintings on walls everywhere. Graffiti is something you either love (3) ... hate. It is actually illegal and some countries try to deal with the problem by not allowing people under the (4) ... of 18 to buy spray paints.

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The Ryder Cup is a famous golf tournament and it is now (1) ... of the biggest events in sport. Tickets regularly sell out within hours after going on sale. (2) ... makes it different from other golf tournaments is that it involves teams rather (3) ... individuals, with Europe competing against the USA. (4) ... is no prize money, but emotions run high. The players enjoy experiencing again the original feelings that made them take up the sport in the first place.

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Ask any sports enthusiast in England to name the most popular sports and the answer will probably be football, cricket, golf and rugby. A lot of people play those games. As a (1) ... of fact, far (2) ... people go fishing, play badminton or sail. (3) ... do we get it wrong? Because sports editors, of newspapers and television channels, are stuck with their traditional patterns of judging by crowds rather (4) ... by how many actually go out and do the thing.

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The most common materials which are recycled are paper and glass. Some plastics, metals and textiles can be recycled as (1) ... . In theory recycling seems obvious: however, in practice it is not always cost-effective. Often the cost of collection and transportation is greater (2) ... the cost of the energy saved. It also means that (3) ... are fewer jobs available in industries (4) ... as mining, as demand for raw materials is lower.

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As you know, I finish school this summer and I am looking (1) ... to starting work and earning some money of my (2) ... . Eventually I want to open a shop and intend to get a job in the local department store to gain as (3) ... practical experience as possible. Of course my parents want (4) ... to go to college and do a business course but I feel I'd learn more on the job.

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Online shopping is one of the fastest growing areas of the Net, offering users a large number of advantages over conventional shopping. Customers have access to a wider range of goods (1) ... in any shopping centre; (2) ... are no queues or parking problems; 'shops' are open 24 hours a day and purchases are delivered to your door. (3) ... is more, prices are competitive, and online price comparison services enable you to find the best bargains. These sites search the Net for a product and then show you (4) ... much different online stores are charging.

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(1) ... of the nicest ways to spend a summer afternoon is to have a picnic. (2) ... is something about eating out of doors that is very special. Of (3) ... , some things are essential if the picnic is going to be an enjoyable experience. The weather has to be sunny; (4) ... many people enjoy eating sandwiches in the pouring rain! The site must be carefully chosen. Then, when the meal is finished, you can just relax in the sunshine, or go for a swim.

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Until recently, teenagers have been hooked on television. But no more today. (1) ... to the latest statistics, teenagers have gone off television. Given the choice between TV and the Internet, (2) ... becomes clear (3) ... most teens prefer. The Internet meets their interactive, social needs that TV doesn't. As websites (4) ... as MySpace have appeared, teenagers are too eager to spend hours a day online and are becoming "keyboard potatoes".

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(1) ... to the myth of the Tower of Babel (2) ... was once a time when all people spoke a common language. This doesn't seem a very believable story if you consider how many languages are spoken in the world today. (3) ... is true is that throughout history people have always searched for a global language, one that can be used to communicate with anyone, no (4) ... where they originally come from.

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Many young people dream about a career in modelling. However, few of them realise exactly what it is like to be a professional model. It is (1) ... all glamour and riches. Only a (2) ... hopeful youngsters actually make it as professionals. (3) ... can be very hurtful to be told that you don't have (4) ... is needed.

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Acupuncture, an ancient Eastern art, is widely available. Many people go to acupuncture practitioners when, for example, they wish to (1) ... up smoking. A small pin is inserted into both earlobes (*мочка уха*) in (2) ... to rid the patient of the desire to smoke. Cynics may say that they are cured by a form of faith-healing, (3) ... by acupuncture itself. However, many ex-smokers swear (4) ... it works for them.

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Even though sign language has been used for thousands of years in one form or (1) ... , not much is known about its history. Some people believe that sign languages are not real languages, however, linguists (2) ... have studied them say that they are. The only difference is that instead of using speech or writing to express meaning, signers use their hands. As a (3) ... of fact, anything that can be expressed through spoken language can be expressed through sign language just as well. There is no (4) ... that learning sign language takes time and practice.

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The Red Sea coast of Egypt is surely one of the best places in the world to go underwater diving. Its hot sunny climate and clear warm water (1) ... it the ideal place for beginners as (2) ... as for experienced divers. Many different types of diving are possible in the area. At centres for complete beginners (3) ... are training courses which include simple dives with a qualified instructor. These dives get them used to being underwater and teach some basic skills (4) ... as swimming and breathing below the surface.

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Nowadays, just about everyone has a mobile phone. This wonderful invention helps people to stay in touch with others at any time of day and night and no (1) ... where they are. It has brought people closer and it must certainly have saved many lives by enabling immediate contact with the emergency services. It also, on the other (2) ... , has its disadvantages. Perhaps the (3) ... obvious of them is the sound of people talking loudly on their phone on public transport, unaware of (4) ... much they are disturbing other travellers.

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I hope Jim and Sarah will have a happy marriage. However, I am sure (1) ... wife nor family will ever separate Jim and his music. It is obvious that the guitar will accompany them on their honeymoon. Jim hopes to (2) ... to an agreement with a recording company. Perhaps one day a CD of his work will (3) ... released.

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Many young people nowadays are pessimistic about the future. The pessimists see that the world is getting (1) ... and more crowded. As a result, it is becoming more difficult to find work; even though people (2) ... their best to go to university, they are not sure they will be lucky (3) ... to find a job afterwards.

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Madame Tussaud's is London's (1) ... visited tourist attraction, with over two and a half million visitors a year. There are as (2) ... as 400 models on display. Each one is worth over £20,000, that's (3) ... security is very strict there.

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The Olympic Games (1) ... place every four years and each time are organized by a different country or, to be more precise, by a different city. (2) ... is always a great deal of competition between different cities around the world to decide (3) ... one will be given the honour of hosting the next Games.

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My friend and I had been (1) ... plans for this holiday for a long time. It was our dream to take a break from work for a couple of months, and have a holiday that (2) ... of us would ever forget. We (3) ... a lot of research and had a few arguments before we made our final decision, but at last we both agreed on Thailand.

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One of the most exciting archeological discoveries in history was (1) ... in 1922, when the British archaeologists Howard Carter and Lord Carnarvon (2) ... across the tomb of Tutankhamen in the Valley of the Kings in Egypt. When Carter entered the dark chamber Carnarvon asked him (3) ... he could see anything. "Yes, wonderful things," came the reply.

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Henry Adams is probably the luckiest person I know. I normally envy very few of my friends' jobs because I'm happy with what I do, but Henry Adams is one of those rare people (1) ... job I would like to have myself. Henry had always been (2) ... in animals. That's why he studied to be a vet. He looked after domestic animals in London. But the job didn't live up to his expectations. So he (3) ... it up and found a better one in a game reserve in Africa. Now he is responsible for the well-being of species that are in danger of extinction.

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Many tourists (1) ... visit Central America find it surprising to learn that the Mayas still live there. Although it is true that their ancient civilization (2) ... to an end when their country was taken over by the Spanish conquistadors, the Mayan people carried on living in the area. Today there are an estimated 1.2 million Mayas who live in southern Mexico, and many other areas of Central America states have large Mayan populations as (3) ... .

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The fur trade is an issue which arouses strong feelings in people. Supporters of fur say that it is a matter of personal choice and people should be allowed to (1) ... up their (2) ... minds about what they wear. In (3) ... to this, they point out that many people earn their living from the fur trade.

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The next time someone asks (1) ... my hobbies are, I'll turn the question round and ask them to (2) ... me about their hobbies. I doubt that they have any. I don't think we should deny it (3) ... longer: the hobby is dead. Ask any teenager or adult about how they spend their spare time and they'll respond with a list of activities rather than mention collecting something.

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While some people consider cooking to be boring, especially those who are occupied daily with the task of feeding a large family on a small budget, (1) ... find it a creative and fulfilling activity. Cooking for a family (2) ... members are not only choosy but (3) ... have limited tastes hardly gives the cook much creative opportunity.

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Canada is a massive country (1) ... of wide-open spaces. With scenery that is truly magnificent, it is without doubt one of the great unspoilt areas of the world. If you have the chance, (2) ... sure you go to Niagara Falls (3) ... are the top attraction in North America and one of the most spectacular sights anywhere.

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Have you ever wanted to come home from a holiday with something more useful (1) ... a suitcase full of souvenirs? What if you could come back with a new skill instead? Learning holidays, which combine travel and learning, have become (2) ... of the latest new trends in travel. (3) ... days, travellers can learn how to make chocolates in Italy and how to dance the tango in Argentina as (4) ... .

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Have you ever started a new hobby, but given up after only a couple of weeks? Or started a course and stopped after the first few lessons? Most of us have tried to learn something new, but very (1) ... of us ever really get any good at it — (2) ... is just too difficult to continue doing something new. But now there is some good news: did you know (3) ... if you can keep up your new hobby for just 30 days, you have a better chance of succeeding? And you may learn something new about yourself as (4) ... .

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It's interesting that not many people talk about Vietnam (1) ... a holiday destination. Last year my girlfriend and I went there for the first time. We loved it — the people were great and the food was superb. Hanoi is a busy city, but (2) ... are lots of more exotic places you can escape to in Vietnam. The place we loved the most was Ha Long Bay (3) ... everyone lives on a floating house! On top of that, all around the bay there are astonishing islands made of limestone. Some of them look (4) ... beautiful towers — they're really quite breathtaking.

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For many people, the choice (1) ... school is just a matter of public or private. However, for a rapidly growing (2) ... of parents and children, school has nothing to (3) ... with classrooms, teachers or school uniforms. For them, there is simply no place (4) ... home when it comes to education

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Regardless of what you may think and contrary to popular belief, pasta is not an Italian invention, but a Chinese one. To be more specific, legend has it that Marco Polo, the explorer, learnt the recipe for pasta from the Chinese and brought it to Italy. Pasta is the most important food in Italy. In fact, it is served (1) ... a starter to any meal. It is (2) ... only popular in Italy, but also in other countries, where it is served with different sauces. (3) ... are so many of them that even the most fussy eaters are sure to find something they like. But that's only part of its success. Pasta is also relatively easy to produce and transport around the world, which makes it a popular product with food companies as (4) ...

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(1) ... school, college or university would be as effective without a library. Libraries are essential in these places, as are public libraries in our towns and cities. But we have to accept that times are changing, books are cheaper to buy, people spend less time reading books, and consequently, libraries aren't as busy (2) ... they once were. Besides that, the Internet provides us with so (3) ... to read, that old books in libraries now have some serious competition. But despite this, I think that we still need libraries, and they must adapt in order (4) ... to disappear.

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Until recently, very (1) ... people went cycling, but over the last few years more bikes have been sold in Britain (2) ... cars. Now approximately two million bicycles (3) ... bought each year, the majority of which are mountain bikes. (4) ... are about 500 models to choose from and the prices vary enormously.

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Language experts have found that children can learn two languages at the (1) ... time and that they can't really tell the (2) ... between them. They can easily switch from (3) ... language to the other once they have learnt when and with whom they should use each language.

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Dear John,  
I've just heard this morning that I got the job! To celebrate, I'm inviting a few friends to a small party next Saturday night. Do come and bring your new girl-friend. It should be fun! (1) ... me know whether you can make it or not, just in case I end up inviting too many people! The flat's not big (2) ... for a huge crowd I am (3) ... forward to seeing you.  
Yours, Sally

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Generally (1) ..., food and feeling good go together. Our mental and physical well-being is directly affected by what we eat. A healthy diet is the key. But what makes a 'good' diet? Firstly, it is important to eat something of each food group. There are four different food groups, (2) ... fit into a food pyramid. The pyramid indicates which food we are most in (3) ... of.

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Honey was the main source of sugar in ancient times. It was highly prized not only as a foodstuff but (1) ... as a medicine. In those days, the art of bee keeping (2) ... known only to a select few members of secret societies, who were treated with great respect. Nowadays, of course, bee-keeping is not surrounded by such mystique. It is a popular hobby that can be (3) ... up by anyone with a (4) ... money to spend and some space in their garden.

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Graffiti began in the 1960s in New York City when someone started writing his signature or "tag" on as man surfaces (1) ... he could. Other young people copied him and soon (2) ... were designs and paintings on walls everywhere. Graffiti is something you either love (3) ... hate. It is actually illegal and some countries try to deal with the problem by not allowing people under the (4) ... of 18 to buy spray paints.

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The Ryder Cup is a famous golf tournament and it is now (1) ... of the biggest events in sport. Tickets regularly sell out within hours after going on sale. (2) ... makes it different from other golf tournaments is that it involves teams rather (3) ... individuals, with Europe competing against the USA. (4) ... is no prize money, but emotions run high. The players enjoy experiencing again the original feelings that made them take up the sport in the first place.

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Ask any sports enthusiast in England to name the most popular sports and the answer will probably be football, cricket, golf and rugby. A lot of people play those games. As a (1) ... of fact, far (2) ... people go fishing, play badminton or sail. (3) ... do we get it wrong? Because sports editors, of newspapers and television channels, are stuck with their traditional patterns of judging by crowds rather (4) ... by how many actually go out and do the thing.

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The most common materials which are recycled are paper and glass. Some plastics, metals and textiles can be recycled as (1) ... . In theory recycling seems obvious: however, in practice it is not always cost-effective. Often the cost of collection and transportation is greater (2) ... the cost of the energy saved. It also means that (3) ... are fewer jobs available in industries (4) ... as mining, as demand for raw materials is lower.

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As you know, I finish school this summer and I am looking (1) ... to starting work and earning some money of my (2) ... . Eventually I want to open a shop and intend to get a job in the local department store to gain as (3) ... practical experience as possible. Of course my parents want (4) ... to go to college and do a business course but I feel I'd learn more on the job.

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Online shopping is one of the fastest growing areas of the Net, offering users a large number of advantages over conventional shopping. Customers have access to a wider range of goods (1) ... in any shopping centre; (2) ... are no queues or parking problems; 'shops' are open 24 hours a day and purchases are delivered to your door. (3) ... is more, prices are competitive, and online price comparison services enable you to find the best bargains. These sites search the Net for a product and then show you (4) ... much different online stores are charging.

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(1) ... of the nicest ways to spend a summer afternoon is to have a picnic. (2) ... is something about eating out of doors that is very special. Of (3) ... , some things are essential if the picnic is going to be an enjoyable experience. The weather has to be sunny; (4) ... many people enjoy eating sandwiches in the pouring rain! The site must be carefully chosen. Then, when the meal is finished, you can just relax in the sunshine, or go for a swim.

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Until recently, teenagers have been hooked on television. But no more today. (1) ... to the latest statistics, teenagers have gone off television. Given the choice between TV and the Internet, (2) ... becomes clear (3) ... most teens prefer. The Internet meets their interactive, social needs that TV doesn't. As websites (4) ... as MySpace have appeared, teenagers are too eager to spend hours a day online and are becoming "keyboard potatoes".

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(1) ... to the myth of the Tower of Babel (2) ... was once a time when all people spoke a common language. This doesn't seem a very believable story if you consider how many languages are spoken in the world today. (3) ... is true is that throughout history people have always searched for a global language, one that can be used to communicate with anyone, no (4) ... where they originally come from.

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Many young people dream about a career in modelling. However, few of them realise exactly what it is like to be a professional model. It is (1) ... all glamour and riches. Only a (2) ... hopeful youngsters actually make it as professionals. (3) ... can be very hurtful to be told that you don't have (4) ... is needed.

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Acupuncture, an ancient Eastern art, is widely available. Many people go to acupuncture practitioners when, for example, they wish to (1) ... up smoking. A small pin is inserted into both earlobes (*мочка уха*) in (2) ... to rid the patient of the desire to smoke. Cynics may say that they are cured by a form of faith-healing, (3) ... by acupuncture itself. However, many ex-smokers swear (4) ... it works for them.

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Even though sign language has been used for thousands of years in one form or (1) ... , not much is known about its history. Some people believe that sign languages are not real languages, however, linguists (2) ... have studied them say that they are. The only difference is that instead of using speech or writing to express meaning, signers use their hands. As a (3) ... of fact, anything that can be expressed through spoken language can be expressed through sign language just as well. There is no (4) ... that learning sign language takes time and practice.

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The Red Sea coast of Egypt is surely one of the best places in the world to go underwater diving. Its hot sunny climate and clear warm water (1) ... it the ideal place for beginners as (2) ... as for experienced divers. Many different types of diving are possible in the area. At centres for complete beginners (3) ... are training courses which include simple dives with a qualified instructor. These dives get them used to being underwater and teach some basic skills (4) ... as swimming and breathing below the surface.

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Nowadays, just about everyone has a mobile phone. This wonderful invention helps people to stay in touch with others at any time of day and night and no (1) ... where they are. It has brought people closer and it must certainly have saved many lives by enabling immediate contact with the emergency services. It also, on the other (2) ..., has its disadvantages. Perhaps the (3) ... obvious of them is the sound of people talking loudly on their phone on public transport, unaware of (4) ... much they are disturbing other travellers.

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I hope Jim and Sarah will have a happy marriage. However, I am sure (1) ... wife nor family will ever separate Jim and his music. It is obvious that the guitar will accompany them on their honeymoon. Jim hopes to (2) ... to an agreement with a recording company. Perhaps one day a CD of his work will (3) ... released.

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Many young people nowadays are pessimistic about the future. The pessimists see that the world is getting (1) ... and more crowded. As a result, it is becoming more difficult to find work; even though people (2) ... their best to go to university, they are not sure they will be lucky (3) ... to find a job afterwards.

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Madame Tussaud's is London's (1) ... visited tourist attraction, with over two and a half million visitors a year. There are as (2) ... as 400 models on display. Each one is worth over £20,000, that's (3) ... security is very strict there.

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The Olympic Games (1) ... place every four years and each time are organized by a different country or, to be more precise, by a different city. (2) ... is always a great deal of competition between different cities around the world to decide (3) ... one will be given the honour of hosting the next Games.

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My friend and I had been (1) ... plans for this holiday for a long time. It was our dream to take a break from work for a couple of months, and have a holiday that (2) ... of us would ever forget. We (3) ... a lot of research and had a few arguments before we made our final decision, but at last we both agreed on Thailand.

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One of the most exciting archeological discoveries in history was (1) ... in 1922, when the British archaeologists Howard Carter and Lord Carnarvon (2) ... across the tomb of Tutankhamen in the Valley of the Kings in Egypt. When Carter entered the dark chamber Carnarvon asked him (3) ... he could see anything. "Yes, wonderful things," came the reply.

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Henry Adams is probably the luckiest person I know. I normally envy very few of my friends' jobs because I'm happy with what I do, but Henry Adams is one of those rare people (1) ... job I would like to have myself. Henry had always been (2) ... in animals. That's why he studied to be a vet. He looked after domestic animals in London. But the job didn't live up to his expectations. So he (3) ... it up and found a better one in a game reserve in Africa. Now he is responsible for the well-being of species that are in danger of extinction.

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Many tourists (1) ... visit Central America find it surprising to learn that the Mayas still live there. Although it is true that their ancient civilization (2) ... to an end when their country was taken over by the Spanish conquistadors, the Mayan people carried on living in the area. Today there are an estimated 1.2 million Mayas who live in southern Mexico, and many other areas of Central America states have large Mayan populations as (3) ...

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The fur trade is an issue which arouses strong feelings in people. Supporters of fur say that it is a matter of personal choice and people should be allowed to (1) ... up their (2) ... minds about what they wear. In (3) ... to this, they point out that many people earn their living from the fur trade.

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The next time someone asks (1) ... my hobbies are, I'll turn the question round and ask them to (2) ... me about their hobbies. I doubt that they have any. I don't think we should deny it (3) ... longer: the hobby is dead. Ask any teenager or adult about how they spend their spare time and they'll respond with a list of activities rather than mention collecting something.

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While some people consider cooking to be boring, especially those who are occupied daily with the task of feeding a large family on a small budget, (1) ... find it a creative and fulfilling activity. Cooking for a family (2) ... members are not only choosy but (3) ... have limited tastes hardly gives the cook much creative opportunity.

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Canada is a massive country (1) ... of wide-open spaces. With scenery that is truly magnificent, it is without doubt one of the great unspoilt areas of the world. If you have the chance, (2) ... sure you go to Niagara Falls (3) ... are the top attraction in North America and one of the most spectacular sights anywhere.

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Have you ever wanted to come home from a holiday with something more useful (1) ... a suitcase full of souvenirs? What if you could come back with a new skill instead? Learning holidays, which combine travel and learning, have become (2) ... of the latest new trends in travel. (3) ... days, travellers can learn how to make chocolates in Italy and how to dance the tango in Argentina as (4) ...

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Have you ever started a new hobby, but given up after only a couple of weeks? Or started a course and stopped after the first few lessons? Most of us have tried to learn something new, but very (1) ... of us ever really get any good at it — (2) ... is just too difficult to continue doing something new. But now there is some good news: did you know (3) ... if you can keep up your new hobby for just 30 days, you have a better chance of succeeding? And you may learn something new about yourself as (4) ...

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It's interesting that not many people talk about Vietnam (1) ... a holiday destination. Last year my girlfriend and I went there for the first time. We loved it — the people were great and the food was superb. Hanoi is a busy city, but (2) ... are lots of more exotic places you can escape to in Vietnam. The place we loved the most was Ha Long Bay (3) ... everyone lives on a floating house! On top of that, all around the bay there are astonishing islands made of limestone. Some of them look (4) ... beautiful towers — they're really quite breathtaking.

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Regardless of what you may think and contrary to popular belief, pasta is not an Italian invention, but a Chinese one. To be more specific, legend has it that Marco Polo, the explorer, learnt the recipe for pasta from the Chinese and brought it to Italy. Pasta is the most important food in Italy. In fact, it is served (1) ... a starter to any meal. It is (2) ... only popular in Italy, but also in other countries, where it is served with different sauces. (3) ... are so many of them that even the most fussy eaters are sure to find something they like. But that's only part of its success. Pasta is also relatively easy to produce and transport around the world, which makes it a popular product with food companies as (4) ...

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(1) ... school, college or university would be as effective without a library. Libraries are essential in these places, as are public libraries in our towns and cities. But we have to accept that times are changing, books are cheaper to buy, people spend less time reading books, and consequently, libraries aren't as busy (2) ... they once were. Besides that, the Internet provides us with so (3) ... to read, that old books in libraries now have some serious competition. But despite this, I think that we still need libraries, and they must adapt in order (4) ... to disappear.

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Language experts have found that children can learn two languages at the (1) ... time and that they can't really tell the (2) ... between them. They can easily switch from (3) ... language to the other once they have learnt when and with whom they should use each language.

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Dear John,

I've just heard this morning that I got the job! To celebrate, I'm inviting a few friends to a small party next Saturday night. Do come and bring your new girl-friend. It should be fun! (1) ... me know whether you can make it or not, just in case I end up inviting too many people! The flat's not big (2) ... for a huge crowd I am (3) ... forward to seeing you.

Yours, Sally

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Generally (1) ..., food and feeling good go together. Our mental and physical well-being is directly affected by what we eat. A healthy diet is the key. But what makes a 'good' diet? Firstly, it is important to eat something of each food group. There are four different food groups, (2) ... fit into a food pyramid. The pyramid indicates which food we are most in (3) ... of.

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Graffiti began in the 1960s in New York City when someone started writing his signature or "tag" on as man surfaces (1) ... he could. Other young people copied him and soon (2) ... were designs and paintings on walls everywhere. Graffiti is something you either love (3) ... hate. It is actually illegal and some countries try to deal with the problem by not allowing people under the (4) ... of 18 to buy spray paints.

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The Ryder Cup is a famous golf tournament and it is now (1) ... of the biggest events in sport. Tickets regularly sell out within hours after going on sale. (2) ... makes it different from other golf tournaments is that it involves teams rather (3) ... individuals, with Europe competing against the USA. (4) ... is no prize money, but emotions run high. The players enjoy experiencing again the original feelings that made them take up the sport in the first place.

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Ask any sports enthusiast in England to name the most popular sports and the answer will probably be football, cricket, golf and rugby. A lot of people play those games. As a (1) ... of fact, far (2) ... people go fishing, play badminton or sail. (3) ... do we get it wrong? Because sports editors, of newspapers and television channels, are stuck with their traditional patterns of judging by crowds rather (4) ... by how many actually go out and do the thing.

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The most common materials which are recycled are paper and glass. Some plastics, metals and textiles can be recycled as (1) ... . In theory recycling seems obvious: however, in practice it is not always cost-effective. Often the cost of collection and transportation is greater (2) ... the cost of the energy saved. It also means that (3) ... are fewer jobs available in industries (4) ... as mining, as demand for raw materials is lower.

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As you know, I finish school this summer and I am looking (1) ... to starting work and earning some money of my (2) ... . Eventually I want to open a shop and intend to get a job in the local department store to gain as (3) ... practical experience as possible. Of course my parents want (4) ... to go to college and do a business course but I feel I'd learn more on the job.

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Online shopping is one of the fastest growing areas of the Net, offering users a large number of advantages over conventional shopping. Customers have access to a wider range of goods (1) ... in any shopping centre; (2) ... are no queues or parking problems; 'shops' are open 24 hours a day and purchases are delivered to your door. (3) ... is more, prices are competitive, and online price comparison services enable you to find the best bargains. These sites search the Net for a product and then show you (4) ... much different online stores are charging.

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(1) ... of the nicest ways to spend a summer afternoon is to have a picnic. (2) ... is something about eating out of doors that is very special. Of (3) ... , some things are essential if the picnic is going to be an enjoyable experience. The weather has to be sunny; (4) ... many people enjoy eating sandwiches in the pouring rain! The site must be carefully chosen. Then, when the meal is finished, you can just relax in the sunshine, or go for a swim.

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Until recently, teenagers have been hooked on television. But no more today. (1) ... to the latest statistics, teenagers have gone off television. Given the choice between TV and the Internet, (2) ... becomes clear (3) ... most teens prefer. The Internet meets their interactive, social needs that TV doesn't. As websites (4) ... as MySpace have appeared, teenagers are too eager to spend hours a day online and are becoming "keyboard potatoes".

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(1) ... to the myth of the Tower of Babel (2) ... was once a time when all people spoke a common language. This doesn't seem a very believable story if you consider how many languages are spoken in the world today. (3) ... is true is that throughout history people have always searched for a global language, one that can be used to communicate with anyone, no (4) ... where they originally come from.

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Many young people dream about a career in modelling. However, few of them realise exactly what it is like to be a professional model. It is (1) ... all glamour and riches. Only a (2) ... hopeful youngsters actually make it as professionals. (3) ... can be very hurtful to be told that you don't have (4) ... is needed.

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Acupuncture, an ancient Eastern art, is widely available. Many people go to acupuncture practitioners when, for example, they wish to (1) ... up smoking. A small pin is inserted into both earlobes (*мочка уха*) in (2) ... to rid the patient of the desire to smoke. Cynics may say that they are cured by a form of faith-healing, (3) ... by acupuncture itself. However, many ex-smokers swear (4) ... it works for them.

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Even though sign language has been used for thousands of years in one form or (1) ... , not much is known about its history. Some people believe that sign languages are not real languages, however, linguists (2) ... have studied them say that they are. The only difference is that instead of using speech or writing to express meaning, signers use their hands. As a (3) ... of fact, anything that can be expressed through spoken language can be expressed through sign language just as well. There is no (4) ... that learning sign language takes time and practice.

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The Red Sea coast of Egypt is surely one of the best places in the world to go underwater diving. Its hot sunny climate and clear warm water (1) ... it the ideal place for beginners as (2) ... as for experienced divers. Many different types of diving are possible in the area. At centres for complete beginners (3) ... are training courses which include simple dives with a qualified instructor. These dives get them used to being underwater and teach some basic skills (4) ... as swimming and breathing below the surface.

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Nowadays, just about everyone has a mobile phone. This wonderful invention helps people to stay in touch with others at any time of day and night and no (1) ... where they are. It has brought people closer and it must certainly have saved many lives by enabling immediate contact with the emergency services. It also, on the other (2) ... , has its disadvantages. Perhaps the (3) ... obvious of them is the sound of people talking loudly on their phone on public transport, unaware of (4) ... much they are disturbing other travellers.

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I hope Jim and Sarah will have a happy marriage. However, I am sure (1) ... wife nor family will ever separate Jim and his music. It is obvious that the guitar will accompany them on their honeymoon. Jim hopes to (2) ... to an agreement with a recording company. Perhaps one day a CD of his work will (3) ... released.

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Many young people nowadays are pessimistic about the future. The pessimists see that the world is getting (1) ... and more crowded. As a result, it is becoming more difficult to find work; even though people (2) ... their best to go to university, they are not sure they will be lucky (3) ... to find a job afterwards.

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Madame Tussaud's is London's (1) ... visited tourist attraction, with over two and a half million visitors a year. There are as (2) ... as 400 models on display. Each one is worth over £20,000, that's (3) ... security is very strict there.

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The Olympic Games (1) ... place every four years and each time are organized by a different country or, to be more precise, by a different city. (2) ... is always a great deal of competition between different cities around the world to decide (3) ... one will be given the honour of hosting the next Games.

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My friend and I had been (1) ... plans for this holiday for a long time. It was our dream to take a break from work for a couple of months, and have a holiday that (2) ... of us would ever forget. We (3) ... a lot of research and had a few arguments before we made our final decision, but at last we both agreed on Thailand.

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One of the most exciting archeological discoveries in history was (1) ... in 1922, when the British archaeologists Howard Carter and Lord Carnarvon (2) ... across the tomb of Tutankhamen in the Valley of the Kings in Egypt. When Carter entered the dark chamber Carnarvon asked him (3) ... he could see anything. "Yes, wonderful things," came the reply.

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Henry Adams is probably the luckiest person I know. I normally envy very few of my friends' jobs because I'm happy with what I do, but Henry Adams is one of those rare people (1) ... job I would like to have myself. Henry had always been (2) ... in animals. That's why he studied to be a vet. He looked after domestic animals in London. But the job didn't live up to his expectations. So he (3) ... it up and found a better one in a game reserve in Africa. Now he is responsible for the well-being of species that are in danger of extinction.

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Many tourists (1) ... visit Central America find it surprising to learn that the Mayas still live there. Although it is true that their ancient civilization (2) ... to an end when their country was taken over by the Spanish conquistadors, the Mayan people carried on living in the area. Today there are an estimated 1.2 million Mayas who live in southern Mexico, and many other areas of Central America states have large Mayan populations as (3) ...

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The fur trade is an issue which arouses strong feelings in people. Supporters of fur say that it is a matter of personal choice and people should be allowed to (1) ... up their (2) ... minds about what they wear. In (3) ... to this, they point out that many people earn their living from the fur trade.

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The next time someone asks (1) ... my hobbies are, I'll turn the question round and ask them to (2) ... me about their hobbies. I doubt that they have any. I don't think we should deny it (3) ... longer: the hobby is dead. Ask any teenager or adult about how they spend their spare time and they'll respond with a list of activities rather than mention collecting something.

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While some people consider cooking to be boring, especially those who are occupied daily with the task of feeding a large family on a small budget, (1) ... find it a creative and fulfilling activity. Cooking for a family (2) ... members are not only choosy but (3) ... have limited tastes hardly gives the cook much creative opportunity.

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Canada is a massive country (1) ... of wide-open spaces. With scenery that is truly magnificent, it is without doubt one of the great unspoilt areas of the world. If you have the chance, (2) ... sure you go to Niagara Falls (3) ... are the top attraction in North America and one of the most spectacular sights anywhere.

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Have you ever wanted to come home from a holiday with something more useful (1) ... a suitcase full of souvenirs? What if you could come back with a new skill instead? Learning holidays, which combine travel and learning, have become (2) ... of the latest new trends in travel. (3) ... days, travellers can learn how to make chocolates in Italy and how to dance the tango in Argentina as (4) ...

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Have you ever started a new hobby, but given up after only a couple of weeks? Or started a course and stopped after the first few lessons? Most of us have tried to learn something new, but very (1) ... of us ever really get any good at it — (2) ... is just too difficult to continue doing something new. But now there is some good news: did you know (3) ... if you can keep up your new hobby for just 30 days, you have a better chance of succeeding? And you may learn something new about yourself as (4) ...

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It's interesting that not many people talk about Vietnam (1) ... a holiday destination. Last year my girlfriend and I went there for the first time. We loved it — the people were great and the food was superb. Hanoi is a busy city, but (2) ... are lots of more exotic places you can escape to in Vietnam. The place we loved the most was Ha Long Bay (3) ... everyone lives on a floating house! On top of that, all around the bay there are astonishing islands made of limestone. Some of them look (4) ... beautiful towers — they're really quite breathtaking.

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For many people, the choice (1) ... school is just a matter of public or private. However, for a rapidly growing (2) ... of parents and children, school has nothing to (3) ... with classrooms, teachers or school uniforms. For them, there is simply no place (4) ... home when it comes to education

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Miguel de Cervantes, creator of Don Quixote, one of literature's most popular and enduring characters, is possibly the most renowned Spanish writer of (1) ... time. Cervantes was born near Madrid in 1547, and his life appears to (2) ... been every bit as exciting as any of his fiction. He spent several years in Rome before joining the Spanish army in 1570. The next year he (3) ... part in a fierce naval battle against the forces of the Ottoman Empire. During the battle he (4) ... shot twice in the chest and lost the use of his left hand.

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The library profession attracts people (1) ... many different interests, because of the wide range of work that librarians do. For (2) ..., the profession may appeal to someone who wants to work with children in an elementary school library. A person interested in research may choose to work in a library which scholars use for their investigations. Some people become librarians to help libraries adapt (3) ... advanced technology, while people (4) ... have expert knowledge of a foreign language, computers, or a specific subject may choose this career to make use of their special skills.

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Surveys show that more and (1) ... young people plan to work a great (2) ... longer than people did in the past. In fact, the majority expect to continue working beyond the most typical retirement age of 65. The reasons are that most people's pension won't be worth as much (3) ... it is now and we are living longer now. Some companies are also looking for more experienced employees because they already understand the needs of business and they are often better (4) ... their younger colleagues at jobs which require greater concentration.

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Honey was the main source of sugar in ancient times. It was highly prized not only as a foodstuff but (1) ... as a medicine. In those days, the art of bee keeping (2) ... known only to a select few members of secret societies, who were treated with great respect. Nowadays, of course, bee-keeping is not surrounded by such mystique. It is a popular hobby that can be (3) ... up by anyone with a (4) ... money to spend and some space in their garden.

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Graffiti began in the 1960s in New York City when someone started writing his signature or "tag" on as many surfaces (1) ... he could. Other young people copied him and soon (2) ... were designs and paintings on walls everywhere. Graffiti is something you either love (3) ... hate. It is actually illegal and some countries try to deal with the problem by not allowing people under the (4) ... of 18 to buy spray paints.

**138.** Прочитайте текст. Заполните пропуск (4) только одним словом, подходящим по смыслу. Слово должно содержать не более 15 символов.

The Ryder Cup is a famous golf tournament and it is now (1) ... of the biggest events in sport. Tickets regularly sell out within hours after going on sale. (2) ... makes it different from other golf tournaments is that it involves teams rather (3) ... individuals, with Europe competing against the USA. (4) ... is no prize money, but emotions run high. The players enjoy experiencing again the original feelings that made them take up the sport in the first place.

**139.** Прочитайте текст. Заполните пропуск (4) только одним словом, подходящим по смыслу. Слово должно содержать не более 15 символов.

Ask any sports enthusiast in England to name the most popular sports and the answer will probably be football, cricket, golf and rugby. A lot of people play those games. As a (1) ... of fact, far (2) ... people go fishing, play badminton or sail. (3) ... do we get it wrong? Because sports editors, of newspapers and television channels, are stuck with their traditional patterns of judging by crowds rather (4) ... by how many actually go out and do the thing.

**140.** Прочитайте текст. Заполните пропуск (4) только одним словом, подходящим по смыслу. Слово должно содержать не более 15 символов.

The most common materials which are recycled are paper and glass. Some plastics, metals and textiles can be recycled as (1) ... . In theory recycling seems obvious: however, in practice it is not always cost-effective. Often the cost of collection and transportation is greater (2) ... the cost of the energy saved. It also means that (3) ... are fewer jobs available in industries (4) ... as mining, as demand for raw materials is lower.

**141.** Прочитайте текст. Заполните пропуск (4) только одним словом, подходящим по смыслу. Слово должно содержать не более 15 символов.

As you know, I finish school this summer and I am looking (1) ... to starting work and earning some money of my (2) ... . Eventually I want to open a shop and intend to get a job in the local department store to gain as (3) ... practical experience as possible. Of course my parents want (4) ... to go to college and do a business course but I feel I'd learn more on the job.

**142.** Прочитайте текст. Заполните пропуск (4) только одним словом, подходящим по смыслу. Слово должно содержать не более 15 символов.

Online shopping is one of the fastest growing areas of the Net, offering users a large number of advantages over conventional shopping. Customers have access to a wider range of goods (1) ... in any shopping centre; (2) ... are no queues or parking problems; 'shops' are open 24 hours a day and purchases are delivered to your door. (3) ... is more, prices are competitive, and online price comparison services enable you to find the best bargains. These sites search the Net for a product and then show you (4) ... much different online stores are charging.

**143.** Прочитайте текст. Заполните пропуск (4) только одним словом, подходящим по смыслу. Слово должно содержать не более 15 символов.

(1) ... of the nicest ways to spend a summer afternoon is to have a picnic. (2) ... is something about eating out of doors that is very special. Of (3) ... , some things are essential if the picnic is going to be an enjoyable experience. The weather has to be sunny; (4) ... many people enjoy eating sandwiches in the pouring rain! The site must be carefully chosen. Then, when the meal is finished, you can just relax in the sunshine, or go for a swim.

**144.** Прочитайте текст. Заполните пропуск (4) только одним словом, подходящим по смыслу. Слово должно содержать не более 15 символов.

Until recently, teenagers have been hooked on television. But no more today. (1) ... to the latest statistics, teenagers have gone off television. Given the choice between TV and the Internet, (2) ... becomes clear (3) ... most teens prefer. The Internet meets their interactive, social needs that TV doesn't. As websites (4) ... as MySpace have appeared, teenagers are too eager to spend hours a day online and are becoming "keyboard potatoes".

**145.** Прочитайте текст. Заполните пропуск (4) только одним словом, подходящим по смыслу. Слово должно содержать не более 15 символов.

(1) ... to the myth of the Tower of Babel (2) ... was once a time when all people spoke a common language. This doesn't seem a very believable story if you consider how many languages are spoken in the world today. (3) ... is true is that throughout history people have always searched for a global language, one that can be used to communicate with anyone, no (4) ... where they originally come from.

**146.** Прочитайте текст. Заполните пропуск (4) только одним словом, подходящим по смыслу. Слово должно содержать не более 15 символов.

Many young people dream about a career in modelling. However, few of them realise exactly what it is like to be a professional model. It is (1) ... all glamour and riches. Only a (2) ... hopeful youngsters actually make it as professionals. (3) ... can be very hurtful to be told that you don't have (4) ... is needed.

**147.** Прочитайте текст. Заполните пропуск (4) только одним словом, подходящим по смыслу. Слово должно содержать не более 15 символов.

Acupuncture, an ancient Eastern art, is widely available. Many people go to acupuncture practitioners when, for example, they wish to (1) ... up smoking. A small pin is inserted into both earlobes (*мочка уха*) in (2) ... to rid the patient of the desire to smoke. Cynics may say that they are cured by a form of faith-healing, (3) ... by acupuncture itself. However, many ex-smokers swear (4) ... it works for them.

**148.** Прочитайте текст. Заполните пропуск (4) только одним словом, подходящим по смыслу. Слово должно содержать не более 15 символов.

Even though sign language has been used for thousands of years in one form or (1) ... , not much is known about its history. Some people believe that sign languages are not real languages, however, linguists (2) ... have studied them say that they are. The only difference is that instead of using speech or writing to express meaning, signers use their hands. As a (3) ... of fact, anything that can be expressed through spoken language can be expressed through sign language just as well. There is no (4) ... that learning sign language takes time and practice.

**149.** Прочитайте текст. Заполните пропуск (4) только одним словом, подходящим по смыслу. Слово должно содержать не более 15 символов.

The Red Sea coast of Egypt is surely one of the best places in the world to go underwater diving. Its hot sunny climate and clear warm water (1) ... it the ideal place for beginners as (2) ... as for experienced divers. Many different types of diving are possible in the area. At centres for complete beginners (3) ... are training courses which include simple dives with a qualified instructor. These dives get them used to being underwater and teach some basic skills (4) ... as swimming and breathing below the surface.

**150.** Прочитайте текст. Заполните пропуск (4) только одним словом, подходящим по смыслу. Слово должно содержать не более 15 символов.

Nowadays, just about everyone has a mobile phone. This wonderful invention helps people to stay in touch with others at any time of day and night and no (1) ... where they are. It has brought people closer and it must certainly have saved many lives by enabling immediate contact with the emergency services. It also, on the other (2) ..., has its disadvantages. Perhaps the (3) ... obvious of them is the sound of people talking loudly on their phone on public transport, unaware of (4) ... much they are disturbing other travellers.

**151.** Прочитайте текст. Заполните пропуск (4) только одним словом, подходящим по смыслу. Слово должно содержать не более 15 символов.

**152.** Прочитайте текст. Выпишите по два лишних слова в порядке их предъявления в тексте.

In August 1956, after on a fire in one of the pits (*шахта*), 265 people choked to death in a matter of minutes in one of the mines in France. More than half of the victims who were immigrant workers.

Have you ever wanted to come home from a holiday with something more useful (1) ... a suitcase full of souvenirs? What if you could come back with a new skill instead? Learning holidays, which combine travel and learning, have become (2) ... of the latest new trends in travel. (3) ... days, travellers can learn how to make chocolates in Italy and how to dance the tango in Argentina as (4) ... .

**153.** Прочитайте текст. Заполните пропуск (4) только одним словом, подходящим по смыслу. Слово должно содержать не более 15 символов.

Have you ever started a new hobby, but given up after only a couple of weeks? Or started a course and stopped after the first few lessons? Most of us have tried to learn something new, but very (1) ... of us ever really get any good at it — (2) ... is just too difficult to continue doing something new. But now there is some good news: did you know (3) ... if you can keep up your new hobby for just 30 days, you have a better chance of succeeding? And you may learn something new about yourself as (4) ... .

**154.** Прочитайте текст. Заполните пропуск (4) только одним словом, подходящим по смыслу. Слово должно содержать не более 15 символов.

It's interesting that not many people talk about Vietnam (1) ... a holiday destination. Last year my girlfriend and I went there for the first time. We loved it — the people were great and the food was superb. Hanoi is a busy city, but (2) ... are lots of more exotic places you can escape to in Vietnam. The place we loved the most was Ha Long Bay (3) ... everyone lives on a floating house! On top of that, all around the bay there are astonishing islands made of limestone. Some of them look (4) ... beautiful towers — they're really quite breathtaking.

**155.** Прочитайте текст. Заполните пропуск (4) только одним словом, подходящим по смыслу. Слово должно содержать не более 15 символов.

For many people, the choice (1) ... school is just a matter of public or private. However, for a rapidly growing (2) ... of parents and children, school has nothing to (3) ... with classrooms, teachers or school uniforms. For them, there is simply no place (4) ... home when it comes to education

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Miguel de Cervantes, creator of Don Quixote, one of literature's most popular and enduring characters, is possibly the most renowned Spanish writer of (1) ... time. Cervantes was born near Madrid in 1547, and his life appears to (2) ... been every bit as exciting as any of his fiction. He spent several years in Rome before joining the Spanish army in 1570. The next year he (3) ... part in a fierce naval battle against the forces of the Ottoman Empire. During the battle he (4) ... shot twice in the chest and lost the use of his left hand.

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The library profession attracts people (1) ... many different interests, because of the wide range of work that librarians do. For (2) ..., the profession may appeal to someone who wants to work with children in an elementary school library. A person interested in research may choose to work in a library which scholars use for their investigations. Some people become librarians to help libraries adapt (3) ... advanced technology, while people (4) ... have expert knowledge of a foreign language, computers, or a specific subject may choose this career to make use of their special skills.

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Surveys show that more and (1) ... young people plan to work a great (2) ... longer than people did in the past. In fact, the majority expect to continue working beyond the most typical retirement age of 65. The reasons are that most people's pension won't be worth as much (3) ... it is now and we are living longer now. Some companies are also looking for more experienced employees because they already understand the needs of business and they are often better (4) ... their younger colleagues at jobs which require greater concentration.

**159.** Прочитайте текст. Заполните пропуск (4) только одним словом, подходящим по смыслу. Слово должно содержать не более 15 символов.

The price of land in Tokyo is so high that its land area probably costs as much (1) ... the whole of California. (2) ... has never been (3) ... a demand for space in any place in the world! This lack of space has led to 'capsule hotels'. The rooms are just capsules, measuring 1 m high, 76 cms wide and 2 m deep. However, you will be surprised to hear that they are equipped with phones, radio and TV. Moreover, they are less expensive than ordinary hotels. In brief, they provide you with all you need for a comfortable night's sleep, even if they don't give you an automatic wash and dry as (4) ...!

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Regardless of what you may think and contrary to popular belief, pasta is not an Italian invention, but a Chinese one. To be more specific, legend has it that Marco Polo, the explorer, learnt the recipe for pasta from the Chinese and brought it to Italy. Pasta is the most important food in Italy. In fact, it is served (1) ... a starter to any meal. It is (2) ... only popular in Italy, but also in other countries, where it is served with different sauces. (3) ... are so many of them that even the most fussy eaters are sure to find something they like. But that's only part of its success. Pasta is also relatively easy to produce and transport around the world, which makes it a popular product with food companies as (4) ...

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(1) ... school, college or university would be as effective without a library. Libraries are essential in these places, as are public libraries in our towns and cities. But we have to accept that times are changing, books are cheaper to buy, people spend less time reading books, and consequently, libraries aren't as busy (2) ... they once were. Besides that, the Internet provides us with so (3) ... to read, that old books in libraries now have some serious competition. But despite this, I think that we still need libraries, and they must adapt in order (4) ... to disappear.

**162.** Прочитайте текст. Заполните пропуск (4) только одним словом, подходящим по смыслу. Слово должно содержать не более 15 символов.

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Can you lend me a ... with this box? It's really heavy.  
The movie was scary but on the other ... it made me laugh.

**164.** Прочитайте предложения. Заполните пропуски ОДНИМ словом, подходящим по смыслу сразу для двух предложений. Запишите слово в бланке ответов только ОДИН раз.

I only see James from ... to time. He lives quite far away and he's always working.  
It's ... to slow down and enjoy life more.

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These statistics are important from an ecological ... of view.  
I didn't like his attitude, but I could see his ...

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The doctor told me to ... off my shirt so he could listen to my chest.  
You can't both use the bike at once, you'll have to ... turns.

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The discussion will ... place in a famous villa on the lake's shore.  
It's going to take about six hours to drive from here to Boston, so why don't we ... turns driving?

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Appreciate and ... use of any support offered, and don't be afraid to ask for help when in need.  
People say that if you ... a wish at the top of the hill, it always comes true.

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Throw some money in the fountain and ... a wish.

I'm not very good at taking decisions; it takes me ages to ... up my mind.