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READING

'One time, however, we were near quarrelling. He said the pleasantest manner of spending a hot July day was lying from morning till evening on a grassy bank in the middle of the moors, with the bees humming dreamily about among the flowers, and the larks singing high up overhead, and the blue sky and bright sun shining steadily and cloudlessly.

That was his most perfect idea of happiness: mine was rocking in a green tree, with a west wind blowing, and bright white clouds flitting rapidly above; and not only larks but blackbirds and cuckoos, pouring out music on every side. The moors seen at a distance, but close by great fields of long grass waving in the breeze; and woods and sounding water, and the whole world awake and wild with joy

He wanted all to lie in complete stillness; I wanted all to sparkle and dance in a glorious celebration. I said his heaven would be only half alive; and he said mine would be chaos. At last, we agreed to try both, as soon as the right weather came; and then we were friends again.

Emily Bronte, Wuthering Heights

- 3 In describing their perfect day, the man and the woman disagree about ...
- A the best place to go for a walk.
 - B the ideal time of year to be outside.
 - C the area with the loveliest views
 - D the appeal of peace and calm.
- 4 Both texts ...
- A contrast the city with the countryside.
 - B relate to the enjoyment of the countryside
 - C mention dangers connected with the countryside.
 - D suggest that not everyone enjoys countryside.

Look for synonyms in the text:

1. Way.-
2. Buzzing.-
3. Above.-
4. Rest.-
5. Mayhem.-

USE OF ENGLISH

A Complete each pair of sentences with one word. Choose A, B or C.

- 1 There were fifteen of us at the party ____.
Dad is not ____ against the idea of us buying a new TV.
A totally B roughly C altogether
- 2 The new high-speed railway is going to cost a ____ deal of money.
I had ____ difficulty understanding him because he had such a strong accent.
A good B great C massive
- 3 Amy is going to ____ us up when we go to Paris, so we won't need a hotel.
I have to watch what I eat because I ____ on weight so easily.
A take B set C put
- 4 I don't really ____ if I never see Nicola again. I'm over her.
Mum has to ____ for our grandmother, who is 82 now.
A mind B care C look
- 5 I know the course is hard, but it'll be worth it in the long ____.
I need some exercise, so maybe I should go for a ____.
A walk B term C run

B Read the text. Complete the gaps with the best option, A, B or C.

Since the success of the Women's World Cup in 2019, women's football **6** ____ huge surge in popularity. Growing numbers of girls are **7** ____ the sport at school, and more and more matches are being shown on TV. Even so, there are still arguments about whether football is a man's game or a woman's game, so perhaps it is no **8** ____ that when Fabio Capello, the former manager of the England men's football team, suggested that the goals should be made smaller for women, he caused a storm of angry protest on social media. As his **9** ____, he pointed out that in a lot of sports such as basketball, volleyball and hurdles, there are differences between the rules for men and women. But sports writer Emily Black was one of many people angered by Capello's comments. 'We know rules can vary,' she said, 'but he is **10** ____ the point. And the point is that, as women, we can change the rules if we want to; we do not need a man to offer suggestions, and we do not need to ask a man for permission.'

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| 6 | A enjoyed | B has enjoyed | C is enjoying |
| 7 | A bringing up | B giving up | C taking up |
| 8 | A surprise | B surprised | C surprising |
| 9 | A excuse | B fault | C defence |
| 10 | A failing | B losing | C missing |

1 Read the text below and decide which answer, A, B, C or D, best fits each gap.

Spot: The Robotic Dog

Anyone who has ¹..... online for videos of robots has probably come across Spot. For years, Spot's developers, a company called Boston Dynamics, have been posting videos of this robotic dog dancing, climbing stairs, opening doors and pulling a lorry. These videos have ²..... viral, because people are fascinated by how the metre-tall, 32-kilo machine moves almost like a real dog. Spot is equipped ³..... four legs, cameras, computer technology and sensors, and is ⁴..... of grasping things with its extendable arm. Although its developers have joked about Spot being an entertainer, Spot is really meant for jobs in the real world that are ⁵..... serious – such as bomb disposal. It's also a good ⁶..... for guarding buildings and doing light construction jobs, and is a ⁷..... match for natural disaster rescue work. In addition, users can ⁸..... it so it can be used for additional tasks, such as pairing it with drones. To see Spot in action, check out the videos.



1	A updated	B browsed	C uploaded	D evolved
2	A come	B been	C shown	D gone
3	A by	B from	C with	D for
4	A able	B capable	C glued	D gifted
5	A heavy	B widely	C strongly	D deadly
6	A tool	B proof	C gaming	D job
7	A vast	B perfect	C deep	D steady
8	A delete	B install	C upgrade	D enable

7 Rewrite the sentences using the word in brackets. Do not change the original meaning.

1 Alexis forgot my birthday, so I was upset with her. (had)

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2 It started snowing at 5 am. (since)

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3 I always fail the driving test. (passed)

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4 Roger has sent me an e-mail this week. (yesterday)

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5 We didn't bring coats, so we were cold all the time. (hadn't)

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6 Julia is still painting her bedroom – after six hours! (been)

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PHONETICS ____

- a. In which one of the following words is the stress on the second syllable, as in “important”? attempts; purchase; regulations; individuals
- b. In which word are the underlined letters pronounced as in the word year? leisure, foreign, either, weird
- c. In which two words is the ending "ed" pronounced /d / as in “welcomed”? needed, waited, directed, screamed, knocked, stopped, warned, laughed
- d. In which two words are the underlined letters pronounced as in “think”? birthday, then, that, father, with, maths, these, their
- e. In which word is the vowel sound pronounced differently? fruit, built, blues, prune