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**Text 1**

Read the texts below and decide which answer *a*, *b*, *c* or *d* best fits each gap.

**Climbing Mount Kilimanjaro**

Last year I (1)\_\_\_ to climb Mt Kilimanjaro to raise money for a charity. I started out on my adventure by flying to Tanzania in Africa, where the mountain lies. There were eight other people in my group and two guides who were (2)\_\_\_ for leading us safely up the mountain. On the first day, I was full of enthusiasm. At one point, one of the guides pointed at something and told me to keep still; I looked and was (3)\_\_\_ to see a family of blue monkeys. After this, the climb got very steep and the high altitude made everything more difficult. (4)\_\_\_, I had an awful headache, and the weather became freezing cold and windy. Finally, after an (5)\_\_\_ seven-day trek, we reached the top of Mount Kilimanjaro. I was so (6)\_\_\_ that I could barely stand up. The view from there was so breathtaking that I was (7)\_\_\_ with emotions. Although it was the hardest thing I've done and climbing the mountain was a true test of my (8)\_\_\_. I don't regret it and I look back on that experience with a feeling of pride.

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| 1. a. inspected  | b. volunteered  | c. approached    | d. investigated |
| 2. a. possible   | b. efficient    | c. responsible   | d. successful   |
| 3. a. adjusted   | b. breathtaking | c. delighted     | d. willing      |
| 4. a. Therefore  | b. Moreover     | c. In conclusion | d. For instance |
| 5. a. incredible | b. enormous     | c. inexplicable  | d. unusual      |
| 6. a. exhausted  | b. terrified    | c. desperate     | d. concerned    |
| 7. a. overturned | b. overcome     | c. overdone      | d. overtaken    |
| 8. a. endurance  | b. quest        | c. emotion       | d. intention    |

**Text 2**

Read the text and answer the questions 1-6. Choose *a*, *b*, *c* or *d*.

Have you ever wondered what it's like to be famous? What about being famous and a kid at the same time? Many child stars have to deal not only with the hardships of growing up, but also with those of growing up in the public eye. Famous kids lead very hectic lives because they have to juggle their school and personal lives, as well as their professional schedules. However, there are times when famous kids get to breathe a sigh of relief and just act like a regular kid: when they're in school. Many famous kids go to regular schools when they're not shooting a film or otherwise engaged. However, some kids have a very different educational experience. They are homeschooled or have some other kind of private tutoring on a movie set. The kind of school these students attend on a movie set is the same as any other school, except their peers are movie stars!

Some parents might not agree with homeschooling nor want to raise their kids in such an isolated environment. Still, if a child star is very popular, it might

be impossible to send them to a regular school where they face a constant barrage of fans, photographers, and autograph seekers. Whether a child actor is homeschooled or is in a small class on a movie set, it doesn't change the fact that famous kid might have some perks, but the child still has the same responsibility as any other student.

1. Why is growing up more difficult for young celebrities?
  - a. Because they grow up in front of the whole world.
  - b. Because they have to attend school.
  - c. Because they can't act like regular kids.
  - d. Because they don't have time to have fun.
2. What is true about child stars' schooling?
  - a. Only few of them go to normal schools.
  - b. Many of them have engagements that don't allow them to go to school.
  - c. They can be tutored at the place of their job.
  - d. Their educational experience is hectic.
3. What do famous students have in common with regular students?
  - a. They have the same duties as far as school is concerned.
  - b. All students would be annoyed by photographers.
  - c. They go to school the same number of hours a day.
  - d. All students dislike doing homework.
4. In line 14, what does 'barrage' mean?
  - a. attack
  - b. press conference
  - c. a large number
  - d. criticism
5. Why might parents decide not to homeschool their kids?
  - a. They don't agree that their children need to go to school.
  - b. They don't want their children to have a lot of homework.
  - c. They want their kids to be in a more social atmosphere.
  - d. They don't want the responsibility.
6. Which of the following sentences best express the main idea of the text?
  - a. Regardless of their celebrity status, child stars must be educated.
  - b. Child celebrities pay a high price for their fame.
  - c. Many child stars are inadequately educated.
  - d. There are many advantages of homeschooling and private tutoring.

### **Text 3**

Read the text and write T for true, F for False or NM for not mentioned.

#### **Go 4 it!**

The Go4IT centre was opened in 2003 by Jake Lewis. He was a PE teacher for 15 years and he wanted to use his experience to help kids more.

The best way to get teenagers to exercise is to make working out fun. 'I used to see a lot of overweight kids who needed a good workout and I thought there must be some way to get them into gym', says Jake Lewis. 'So, I brought exercise and technology together, and Go4IT was born.'

We have all the standard equipments you find in the gym, but we also have

‘gaming machines’. So, instead of just riding an exercise bike or running on a treadmill, you can race your friends through a jungle. Or have a dance competition on our dance arcade games. Try it! You just might like it and stick to it. All games are up-to-date and loads for fun!

We have Wi-Fi, a study centre and a café serving tasty, healthy food and fruit juices. We are opening three new centres in the city later this year. So, soon you will be able to find a fitness centre near you.

Members’ comments: ‘I used to be really unfit. But since I joined Go4IT, I love working out. I’ve also joined an athletics club where I run the 400m. My coach wants me to run in the next month’s local championship. Who knows? I might even win a medal. And it’s all because of Go4IT.’ Vicky Bradshaw, aged 16

‘I started going to Go4IT just for the gaming machines, but now I love all the equipments there. I’ve become really energetic and I can’t get enough.’ Paul Peters, aged 15.

1. A teacher opened the first Go4IT fitness centre.
2. Jake Lewis was a Science teacher.
3. Jake Lewis wanted to find a fun way for teenagers to exercise.
4. You can’t find traditional gym equipment at Go4IT.
5. There’s a place where you can do your homework at Go4IT.
6. The new Go4IT fitness centre has nourishment facilities for visitors.
7. The new Go4IT fitness centres will be bigger and better.
8. If you join Go4IT, the first session is free.
9. Go4IT helped Vicky Bradshaw become a better athlete.
10. Paul Peters doesn’t enjoy the gaming machine any more.

#### **Text 4**

Six sentences have been removed from the article. Choose from the sentences A-G the one which best fits each gap (1-6). There is one extra sentence which you do not need to use.

#### **A look at the future**

What does the future hold for us? This is the question that has most probably crossed your mind at some point. The reason for this is that most of what we do today is aimed at some kind of benefit or outcome in the future. But is there anyone who can truly tell us what our lives will be like fifty years from now? A group of scientists recently completed a study that aimed to do just that. This group consisted of professionals from different occupations and fields of study. **1**\_\_\_ Here are a few ideas based on their predictions to help you image the future. **2**\_\_\_ Fifty years from now, population in all countries will have grown to such an extent that cities will themselves have to undergo a radical change to cater for these growing population numbers. Cities, as they are today, will not be able to provide places for all these people to work and live. Although many have spoken about population explosions in cities and the need to get people out of city centres, this may not be the best solution to the problem. **3**\_\_\_ Most of the people living on the outskirts of the city are therefore forced to travel long distances to get to work every day, so a more suitable solution has to be found. This seems to be what are now called commercial and residential high-rise buildings. They will be similar to

today's skyscrapers, but they will be taller and they will combine places of residence with different work environments. The people living in these high-rise buildings will not have to leave the building to go to work, the gym or the supermarket. They will live, work, shop and entertain themselves in the same building without having to travel from one place to another. **4**\_\_\_ the only drawback will be taking the lift to get from one floor to the next. Imagine how inconvenient it will be if each building consists of one thousand floors!

Those who do decide to live on the outskirts of the city will have an alternative work or study from home. Technology that exists today has already made this possible, but by that time, it will be done by a large majority of individuals. **5**\_\_\_ For one, you will not have to commute to work or to school every day. Furthermore, you will be able to choose a work or study schedule that suits your own personal needs. Needless to say, you will have to be very responsible and pace yourself to meet the deadlines that are set by the company you work for, or the university you are attending. Video conferencing, which is already a reality, will ensure that contact with colleagues or teachers and fellow students is maintained. Some have spoken about virtual reality images of ourselves which we will send off to different locations to get things done for us. **6**\_\_\_ How convenient does that sound?

One thing is for sure. The future holds many surprises for us. We can make as many predictions as we like, but no one really knows what lies ahead. What we need to keep in mind is that what we do today affects the future, so we need to take great care to do it well.

- A. Think of all the possible benefits of working or studying from home!
- B. Together they set out to discover and predict the future.
- C. There are also several disadvantages that one needs to keep in mind.
- D. Most public services and big businesses are located in or somewhere near the city centre.
- E. One aspect of the future that they focused on was what future cities will look like.
- F. So, you will be able to send one to take notes at your lecture and one to find information for an assignment you need to do while you stay at home to cook dinner.
- G. Think of how much time we could save if we didn't have to move around!