

Test wstępny – język angielski

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Imię i nazwisko.....

Task 1: For questions 1-10, complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the word given. **Do not change the word given.** You must use between two and five words, including the word given. There is an example at the beginning.

Example:

0 According to Mike, this is the best restaurant in town

claims Mike 0 **claims that this is** the best restaurant in town.

1 I was never allowed to walk barefoot when I was a child.

let My parents barefoot when I was a child.

2 I'm sure that her success made her parents feel wonderful.

must Her success feel wonderful.

3 I'm sorry I have to leave so early,' John said.

apologised John leave so early.

4 This is the worst production of this play I have ever seen.

bad I have production of this play.

5 Mary moved here in 1987.

living Mary 1987.

6 I haven't decided yet whether to move or not.

mind I haven't whether to move or not.

7 It is increasingly difficult for me to read without my glasses.

finding I am to read without my glasses.

8 I will continue speaking only if you don't interrupt me any more.

stop I will continue speaking only me.

9 Can you tell me what she looks like?

describe Can me?

10 They've been telling him that he should apply for this job.

encouraging They have been for this job.

Task 2: For questions 11-20 read the text below. Use the word given in capitals at the end of the lines to form a word that fits in the same line. There is an example at the beginning.

Genius

We all know stories about people with (0)...**exceptional**.memories who have the (11)..... to remember hundreds of numbers after hearing them only once. Now experts are saying that such feats can be taught. For example, most people can(12)..... about nine numbers if they are read out one a second. In one experiment, ten hours' training (13)..... only a small (14)..... , but the results after practising for a thousand hours were (15)..... : some people remembered 80 or even 100 numbers. Similarly, most adults can(16)..... only about five out of a set of 21 colours that are only (17)..... different. But after 80 training hours one person could recognise 18 of them. Studies of 76 major (18).....show that it took at least ten years of(19)..... training before any of them wrote a major work. Psychologists are therefore raising the(20)..... that genius is the product of

**EXCEPTION
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Task 3: You are going to read an introduction to a book about action sports. For questions **21-27** choose the answer (**A, B, C or D**) which you think fits best according to the text.

Action Sports and Risk-Taking

Risk-takers have been taking part in action sports since the beginnings of time: the new challenge has always appealed to adventurous minds. The trick with risks is to understand the possible dangers and then remove them by treating each as a problem with only one solution: the safe one. From the outside the game still looks 'risky', but to the risk-taker who understands the difficulties, the game is a personal test of skill, rather than nerve. None of these sports ought to be dangerous; if they are, you're doing something wrong.

Risk-taking has other benefits. The best cure for a stressful working life may not be a week is flat-out on a beach; emptying the mind merely leaves it open for occupation by the home stresses which you brought with you. Pick up a new challenge, something that is exciting, stretching, new, and you not only escape entirely from that other life, but return to it on a wave of confidence and strength that carries you over the problems which once seemed part of everyday life.

Action sports offer an escape, one where you learn very quickly: in one week - or even in one weekend - you can learn more about yourself than you did all year. All inner fears disappear in the burn of concentration demanded by learning to fly, dive, ride or climb. The pride earned through jumping from an aeroplane at 12,000 feet, or learning to roll a canoe, will stay with you for life. Then there are the other spin-offs: the mental calm which comes with rock-climbing; the wonderful colours of caves; the moment of freedom felt during that first flight beneath the wing of a glider. All these sports cause a wonderful thrill - be it dashing waves or freefalling through the air at 120 miles per hour - but thrills are just a part of the story. Many of these sports double as types of travel. Horses, bicycles, skis, hot-air balloons can be used as vehicles for truly exotic journeys; journeys on which you can look at landscapes (and yourself) from a new angle. And all of these are 'soft' vehicles; ones which allow you to move through, and feel for, the countryside, the mountains and deserts.

The sports in this book cover the complete range of physical and mental skills: they can be done from your own doorstep or from any one of hundreds of places abroad. The sports demand from as little as the cost of a pair of boots to as much as it costs to buy a flying machine. Some of them are very easily reached (I have a friend who goes gliding in his lunch-break), while others require travelling-time and complex equipment.

Finally, remember that each action sport is a wonderful experience, and the more experiences we have, the richer we become, and the more we have to share.

21 According to the writer, action sports

- A** show a person's ability to overcome difficulties.
- B** are dangerous because of the risks they involve.
- C** test the daring of the person who does them.
- D** are far more interesting than playing games.

22. The word 'it' in line 21 refers to

- A** any holiday activity.
- B** life at home and at work.
- C** any action sport.
- D** a challenging new activity.



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23 What is the best type of holiday according to the writer?

- A Lying on the beach and doing nothing.
- B Engaging in something you are confident about.
- C Doing something you have never done before.
- D Escaping to a place which is totally new.

24 According to the writer, learning action sports

- A an extremely frightening.
- B helps you learn to concentrate.
- C makes you understand yourself better.
- D is not really a difficult task at all.

25 Which of these advantages of action sports is not mentioned by the writer?

- A Maintaining fitness.
- B Experiencing thrills.
- C Building confidence.
- D Seeing new places.

26 'spin-offs' (line 33) are

- A action sports.
- B benefits.
- C achievements.
- D skills.

27 In general, the writer says that action sports

- A are inexpensive.
- B require a lot of time.
- C are extremely varied.
- D should not be done alone.



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