



Reading

Ex.1 You are going to read a newspaper article about a spaceship. Choose the most suitable heading from the list A-I for each part (1-7) of the article. There is one extra heading which you do not need to use. There is an example at the beginning (0)

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| A | Burn it up |
| B | Nuclear protest |
| C | It only takes a slight error |
| D | Building up speed |
| E | Very little risk |
| F | A disastrous collision |
| G | The end of the world |
| H | Convincing the world |
| I | A change of course |

Poison Spaceship May Fall the Earth

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It took six years to construct and involved hundreds of scientists across America and Europe. But now activists want the six -tone Cassini probe, currently hurtling towards Earth on its way to Saturn, to be redirected into the Sun.

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They say the robot spaceship, which has the plutonium reactor on board, could crash as it comes within 11,000 km of Earth. 'if control is lost during the fly-by, the craft



would plunge into the atmosphere and its radioactive load could scatter widely] said the professor of University of Southern California.

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He and other campaigners are pressing American and European politicians and space officials to have Cassini directed away from Earth. Many believe that the best solution would be to divert it into the Sun so that it would be fired to a crisp.

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This has alarmed the European Space Agency so much that it has scheduled emergency meetings for scientists, civil servants and government press officers from its 14 member states. They will take advice on how to defend the mission: to explain the plutonium reactor and reassure the public it poses no danger.

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To reach Saturn, the spaceship has to be flown through the solar system. It has already whipped close to Venus, a maneuver that gained valuable momentum. It will fly past Venus again, passing Earth two months later .Each fly-by increases momentum until it achieves the 67,000 kph needed to reach Saturn.

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Previous probes have been sent on spirals across the solar system before heading the outer planets. However, Cassini has attracted opposition because it is carrying the heaviest nuclear reactor ever put on an interplanetary probe.

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A fractional miscalculation during the Venus fly-by could send it plunging into our planet. And should 33kg of plutonium spill into the atmosphere, the effects would be apparent for generations to come.

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But NASA and European officials reject this. ‘There is less than a one in a million chance of an inadvertent re-entry’, said a NASA spokesperson. And if an accident did not occur, Cassini’s plutonium is stored in a ceramic case which would withstand atmospheric burn-up, say scientists.

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Ex.2 You are going to read a newspaper article about boiling vegetables. Eight sentences have been removed from the article. Choose from the sentences **A-I** the one which fits the gap (1-7). There is one extra sentence which you do not need to use. There is an example at the beginning (0)



(7-----)As for bruisers, roasters, chargrills, steamers and poachers, they will just have to re-think their strategy.

- A. They had cooked all the goodness out of the vegetables-or that was the conventional wisdom.
- B. But the one thing I demand of a vegetable I am going to eat is that It should have been properly cooked.
- C. If you boil a carrot thoroughly, your body will absorb far more carotenoids, or antioxidants, which make them so healthy.
- D. When the cabbage was cooking, you could not see them for the clouds of steam.
- E. Escoffier hints that this is not how he would cook vegetables himself.
- F. The Army catering corps had some notable ones and so did British Rail.
- G. But now science, not for the first time, has come to our rescue.
- H. So, let the nation's boilers come out and do what they do best.
- I. Soggy vegetables are good for you.

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Use of English

Ex.3 Read the text below and think of the word which best fits each space. Use only **ONE** word in each space. There is one example at the beginning (0).

Home Video

Just (0)-----**like**----- most modern technological inventions, video cameras have improved in quality (1)-----they first became available to the public.

The video recorder was invented (2)-----Sony in 1965 and nearly a decade (3)-----in 1974, the same company brought out the Handy Cam. This camera, which used VHS video tapes, (4)-----about \$1,500 .As more(5)-----more manufacturers began to make video cameras, the tapes(6)-----smaller and prices fell. Today at the start of a new millennium, approximately 250,000 camcorders, which can be bought for a little as \$300,(7)-----sold in the USA every year.

Even though they are popular, video cameras (8)-----not allow the person doing the filming to join in the fun. Now a solution (9)-----this problem has been found. A video camera weighing less(10)-----90g has been developed.it can be fit on the frame of sunglasses with the recorder clipped on to a belt.it also has a special feature which prevents the picture (11)-----jumping as the wearer is moving.

The technology may have applications in the field of medicine. With (12)-----audio-video link, it will allow surgeons to carry (13)-----operations with instructions down a telephone line from a specialist (14)-----could be thousands of miles away.



Ex.4. Read the text below .use the word given in capitals at the end of each line to form a word that fits the space in the same line. There is an example at the beginning.

Helping out

For people whose (0)-----daily----- tasks present them **DAY**

Difficulties due to the fact that they are(1)-----animals
ADVANTAGE

Especially dogs can help them regain their(2)-----by **DEPEND**

Performing tasks that the rest of us do(3)-----without
AUTOMATIC

Giving them a second chance(4)----- . **THINK**

(5)-----such dogs takes about two years and the majority
TRAIN

are either poodles or gun breeds. On (6)----- of its
COMPLETE

(7)----- , the dog is able to respond to over one hundred
EDUCATE

Commands which cater for its new owner’s (8)----- needs. **BASE**

After that, the dog can be taught any (9)-----skills, **ADD**

According to the (10)-----requirements of its new
PERSON

companion



Ex 5 Use prepositions from the box:

<i>as,</i>	<i>at,</i>	<i>from,</i>	<i>in,</i>	<i>In,</i>	<i>of,</i>	<i>of,</i>	<i>with</i>
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1. If you are not familiar-----the procedure, I'll help you
2. It's the same-----the one I bought.
3. They were aware-----the risks when they invested in the company.
4. I just can't prevent water-----getting in when it rains heavily.
5. We're expecting an increase-----the number of tourists coming to our hotel
6. How can you expect Peter to take part-----the race pulled muscle?
7. I'm not very fond-----shrimps, but I know Wendy is.
8. You'll get the report by Friday-----the latest

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Ex 6. Read the text and put the verbs in brackets in the correct form:

Here we are. We 1------(reach)the top of the volcano. We 2-
 -----(walk) for six hours over ice and snow and were really tired. The
 locals in the last village we visited told it was going to be difficult. I had no idea how
 difficult! The air is thick with the smell of the smoke from the volcano.it 3.-----
 -----(get)difficult to breathe. The volcano 4.----- (throw) out small rocks
 at us for the last hour or so. The last hour or so. The last one came close, but luckily the
 guide 5----- (see)it coming and pulled me out of the way just in time.
 I used to think volcanos were magical and romantic .Now I just believe they are
 dangerous! We 6------(wait)for this moment for a long time
 and I certainly 7------(want) to turn back now. But I can't
 help remembering that very few climbers 8------(succeed) in
 getting to 9------(erupt) and covered them in lava. I know I 10----
 -----(do)some crazy things in my life , but I think this might be one
 of the craziest!

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