

the environment. For example, when the Maya cut down the forests on the hillsides, the soil was eroded. Also, there was less rainfall, which affected the farmers' ability to grow food.

G. The weather also changed. Archaeologists have now discovered that in the southern highlands there were several years when there was very little rain, resulting in drought. Farmers could not grow so much food. People didn't have enough food to eat. They probably began to fight to try to get the best land to grow food and to have fresh water. The society was no longer efficient and well-organized. This is an important reason why the Mayan civilization collapsed.

Ответ:

A	B	C	D	E	F	G

1.2. Задания на восстановление в тесте пропущенных частей предложений (Gapped text)

В задании такого типа вы должны восстановить целостность текста, установив структурно-смысловые связи в нем. Самый распространенный тип пропусков — это небольшие фрагменты, взятые из текста.

Стратегия выполнения задания

- Начните с чтения фрагментов текста и попробуйте предположить, о чем может идти речь в тексте.
- Читая текст, постарайтесь определить его тип, а затем просмотрите, какие из данных фрагментов больше всего сочетаются со словами до и после пропусков.
- Особое внимание обратите на связывающие слова, характерные предлоги.
- Необходимо помнить о сохранении времени или о согласовании времен повествования.
- Важно определить, в какой части предложения отсутствует фрагмент — в начале или в конце, наличие знаков препинания тоже может быть подсказкой.
- Читая текст, постарайтесь понять, какие из данных фрагментов больше всего сочетаются с частью предложения до и после пропуска.
- Восстановив целостность текста, проверьте его содержание и логику повествования.

Прочитайте текст и заполните пропуски **A–F** частями предложений, обозначенными цифрами **1–7**. Одна из частей в списке **1–7** лишняя. Занесите цифры, обозначающие соответствующие части предложения, в таблицу.

Задание 1

Barbie, the glamorous blonde doll beloved by little girls around the world, is **A** _____. She is also the most long-lived toy on the market, a fact that was celebrated throughout the world when she recently had her 40th birthday.

But in a tiny village in Bavaria there was no celebration, only bitterness and regret. In the Hausser home Rolf and Lily ignored the global celebrations **B** _____, as they have done so many times over the past four decades, about how badly they have been treated by history, or, to be more accurate, by Barbie's secret history. Like many stars, Barbie is not what she seems. Not only is she older than her official age but Barbie is not her real name, what's more, she isn't even American, she's German.

Barbie's real name is in fact Lili. She is 45, not 40, and was born in a small town near Nuremberg. The secret story of the Barbie doll is about small-town naivety against big business determination. Above all, it is **C** _____, a man who has been erased from Barbie's history so completely that only a few people in the world know that he was the true creator of the Barbie doll. But instead of making a fortune when she became a worldwide success, Rolf Hausser lost everything.

It was in 1952 that Lili was born, **D** _____, as a cartoon character for the daily German newspaper Bild Zeitung. Their cartoonist Beuthin had the idea of a girl who was sexy, **E** _____ with a snub nose and a face like an angel.

She was named Lili, and by 1955 she was so popular that Beuthin suggested that a doll should be made as a present for visitors to the newspaper. After many attempts to find the right toymaker, he finally found Rolf Hausser, the son of a famous toy manufacturer, who together with his brother Kurt had set up a very successful toy company called O&M Hausser. Rolf was fascinated by the idea of making a doll **F** _____, and he agreed to try.

Lili the doll went on the market on August 12, 1955, and became an overnight success.

1. in her first incarnation
2. pointed out the Lili doll
3. an icon of American femininity
4. but essentially innocent

5. and instead complained bitterly
6. with the shape and curves of a mature woman
7. a story of the tragedy of bitter old man

Ответ:

A	B	C	D	E	F

Задание 2

In fighting organized crime, the police often make use of undercover police officers who **A** _____. The life of these undercover police officers is a lonely and dangerous one.

Sometimes, things can go badly wrong. In one case, the police attempted to trap a gang of drug dealers working in Spain. For five years, undercover police officers helped the drug dealers launder about \$15 million through a false company. In this way, the police were able to **B** _____. However, when the police arrested the gang members and the case came to court, the British judge said that the police had acted illegally and **C** _____. The cost of this failed police operation was \$25 million.

Undercover police officers face terrible danger. One former undercover policeman, Liam Thomas, told the Guardian newspaper that after 12 years in the job he was «like a broken biscuit». The pressure of hiding his real identity and working with violent criminals **D** _____. Undercover police officers are supposed **E** _____ to see that they are not suffering. But Mark Kennedy, an agent who worked under cover in environmental activist groups, says that these psychological checks aren't as frequent as they should be.

Sometimes agents work undercover in the same group for too long. Then there is a serious risk that **F** _____, as happened in Kennedy's case.

1. have infiltrated the gang
2. get more information about the gang
3. stay a long time in a group
4. caused him to suffer a mental breakdown
5. to have frequent psychological checks
6. their true identity will be discovered
7. the criminals went free

Ответ:

A	B	C	D	E	F

Задание 3

Evolution

The theory of evolution says that all living things on Earth, **A** _____, come from a common ancestor by slowly changing down the generations. Darwin suggested that the way living things changed over time is through *natural selection*. This is the better survival and reproduction of those **B** _____. Fitting into the place where you live is called adapting. Those who fit best into the place where they live, the best adapted, have the best chance to survive and breed. Those who are less well-adapted **C** _____. If they do not survive well enough to raise young, that means they do not pass on their genes. In this way, the species gradually changes.

The first chapter of the *Origin* deals with domesticated animals, **D** _____. Darwin reminded readers of the huge changes mankind had made in its domestic animals, which were once wild species. The changes were brought about by *selective breeding* — choosing animals with desirable characters to breed from. This had been done generation after generation, **E** _____. Perhaps what man had done deliberately, might happen in nature, where some would leave more offspring than others.

Darwin noticed that although young plants or animals are very similar to their parents, **F** _____ and there is always a range of shape, size, colour and so on. Some of these differences the plant or animal may have got from their own ancestors, but some are new and caused by mutations.

1. including plants, animals and microbes
2. tend not to survive
3. such as cattle and dogs
4. it would have a better chance to survive
5. that best fit their environment
6. no two are exactly the same
7. until our modern breeds were produced

Ответ:

A	B	C	D	E	F

Задание 4

Being celebrity-thin can ruin your health

Celebrities may feel they need to be slimmer than ever, but staying super-thin can seriously damage your health. Nutritionist Juliette Kellow warns that

maintaining a reed-thin physique can pave the way for future illnesses. People who take slimming-down too far **A** _____.

If food intake is low, it's more likely you will be lacking in vitamins and minerals. 'The body will try to protect itself and direct any nutrients available to vital areas rather than hair and nails,' explains Juliette. 'So looks start to suffer and you could lose that healthy glow, so highly prized in Hollywood.'

Stars who cut out dairy products are laying themselves open to future bone problems. Calcium and nutrient deficiencies can encourage the bone-thinning disease osteoporosis. Also, the lighter a person is, **B** _____. 'That's why it's good to do weight-bearing and aerobic exercises in the gym,' says Juliette.

The body's immune system can suffer the effects of nutrient deficiencies. You have less ability to fight off colds, flu and bugs, and so **C** _____. 'Underweight people would need to eat immunity-boosting foods such as red peppers, berries and citrus fruits. They would also need to increase their zinc intake to help fight infection,' says Juliette.

Lack of calories can mean lack of energy. The body converts calories into energy and without them it simply does not have enough fuel to run on. Just getting through the day can be an ordeal. **D** _____

If there's not enough food moving round the body, it could lead to a sluggish digestive system, discomfort and bloating. Low levels of iron mean you're not making enough haemoglobin — responsible for red blood cells and transporting oxygen round the body. 'People on a diet are probably **E** _____, such as fortified breakfast cereals, red meat, oily fish, leafy green vegetables, nuts and seeds,' says Juliette.

Forty per cent of women under 34 in the UK were shown to be at risk of anaemia due to iron deficiency. Symptoms include tiredness, weakness, dizziness, paleness of skin, brittle nails and headaches. But the deficiency can play a part **F** _____ such as cancer, rheumatoid arthritis and other infections.

1. become more susceptible to infection
2. you could feel tired all the time
3. more likely to skip foods rich in iron
4. could develop some serious diseases
5. in leading to chronic illnesses
6. in helping to lead a healthy way of life
7. the less weight stress there is on the bones

Ответ:

A	B	C	D	E	F

Задание 5

Why they came.

Major changes in the pattern of immigration have been caused by wars, revolutions, periods of starvation, persecutions, religious intolerance, and in short, by any number of disasters **A** _____. America was a better place to be. More than a million Irish, for instance, immigrated to America between 1846 and 1851 in order to escape starvation and disease in Ireland. **B** _____, large number of other Europeans fled political persecution. In the 1870-s another wave of refugees left the political turmoil of eastern and southern Europe to seek freedom and a future in America. The largest streams of European immigrants came between 1900 and 1920, that is before, after and during World War I. At other times, for example, **C** _____, smaller numbers of immigrants came to the US. Since the 1960-s more and more people have fled the poverty and wars in Asia and Latin America in the hope of finding a better life in the United States.

There is, of course, **D** _____ and racial variety, one that Americans, more than other people, are aware of. The first slaves brought to what is today the United States arrived in Virginia on a board of a Dutch ship in 1619. On the eve of the American Revolution **E** _____ what was shortly to be the United States of America. In 1776 probably about a fifth of all inhabitants in the British colonies in America were Negro slaves.

Between 1777 and 1804 all states in the new republic north of Maryland abolished slavery. However, neither the North nor the South would escape the grave social, economic, political and moral problems **F** _____. Although the Civil War (1861–1865) brought the end to slavery in all of the states, discrimination against Blacks would continue.

1. during the Depression and during World War II
2. that are the heritage of slavery
3. which led to believe that
4. are not welcomed by all Americans
5. another side to American's ethnic pluralism
6. during the same period of time
7. slavery was already firmly established in

Ответ:

A	B	C	D	E	F

Задание 6

Dream job turns into nightmare

It was advertised as the best job in the world. And it certainly looked good. You would be paid (\$189,000 for six months) to surf, sail and swim. The job came with a beachside mansion, with its own swimming pool, and fantastic view of the ocean. All you had to do was look after tiny Hamilton Island, **A** _____.

Duties included feeding the fish, and writing a blog of your experiences to help encourage tourism in the area. There were more than 34,000 applicants for the job from all over the world, so Ben Southall was delighted **B** _____.

But as it turned out, it wasn't quite the dream job that some people might have expected. Firstly, it was incredibly busy. Ben found himself working seven days a week and up to nineteen hours a day. **C** _____, with promotional events, press conferences, training courses and administrative duties. 'It has been very busy, busier than most people would have imagined, and certainly busier than I had imagined.' Mr Southall told reporters when he finished his contract.

In fact, during his six months, **D** _____, made forty seven video diaries, and gave more than 250 media interviews — including a chat with popular US TV host Oprah Winfrey. He also posted more than 75,000 words in sixty separate blogs, uploaded more than 2,000 photos, and 'tweeted' more than 730 times.

That didn't leave much time for surfing, sailing or simply relaxing and enjoying the sea views. And when he did get the chance to try out his water sport, things didn't always go well. On one trip, Ben was stung by a deadly jellyfish. The Irukandji jellyfish are transparent and very small, **E** _____.

'I was enjoying a post Christmas jetski session with some friends at a quiet beach on Hamilton Island and as I climbed off the back of the ski and onto the beach, felt a small bee like sting on my forearm.' Mr Southall wrote on his blog.

Within thirty minutes, Ben was feeling the venom. He was hot and sweaty, with headaches and pains in the chest, and high blood pressure. Ben had to be rushed to a doctor who diagnosed the symptoms and gave him some medication. Luckily, Ben was fine, **F** _____. On the blog he wrote, 'This was not what I'd wanted at all — I'm supposed to be relaxing in my last few days on Hamilton Island'.

Ben was lucky to survive.

1. he had a busy schedule of events to attend
2. so they are very difficult to see in the water
3. when he beat them all and won the contract
4. but it was an unwelcome end to his stay in paradise
5. situated off the coast of Queensland
6. and he will also write a book about his experiences
7. Ben visited ninety 'exotic locations'

Ответ:

A	B	C	D	E	F

Задание 7

Why men won't go to the doctor.

At last there is scientific proof to back up what women have suspected for years — that **A**_____, men are big babies. Statistics revealed at the recent Royal Society of Medicine conference on men's health confirm that men are only half as likely to go to their GP as women and will put off **B**_____. Even when they do bravely turn up at the surgery, 40% of their appointments have been made by their wives or girlfriends.

Trevor Jellis, a psychologist who treats stressed executives, **C**_____. 'I'm ashamed to say that as men, many of us do share the childish fantasy of being immortal', he says. 'I was certainly guilty of that. I hadn't been to the doctor for four years when I had my first heart attack. I didn't go because I hadn't needed to, and that's precisely where I and many men go wrong. You should not wait until then, you should have an annual health check.'

Jane DeVille-Almond, a practice nurse in the Midlands, recognizes the problem. 'Men think that being ill is not very macho, it's a sign of weakness. So they'll create a big drama about being ill at home **D**_____. But also doctors' surgeries are not male-friendly places. Just look around and you will see female receptionists, female nurses and women's magazines on the tables.'

She recently designed a project aimed at reaching the large numbers of men aged between 30 and 60 **E**_____ unless in an emergency. She decided that if the men wouldn't come to her, she would go to them, so she set up a clinic in the lounge bar of the Moxley Arms, a working man's pub in Walsall. The men **F**_____ who need her help: men on low incomes who drink too much and eat an unhealthy diet. 'These are the men we really need to get through to. It soon became obvious that they were far more comfortable talking about their problems on home ground surrounded by their mates', she said.

1. but they won't go public
2. who arrived were exactly the sort of people
3. who likes helping other people
4. when it comes to their health
5. admits to not paying enough attention to his health
6. who hardly ever visited her surgery
7. seeing a doctor until their symptoms are severe

Ответ:

A	B	C	D	E	F

Задание 8

We arrived at Gatwick at 11.15 and made our way to the check-in desk.

A_____ we had some free time, so everyone went to the arcade, ate at Burger King or looked around the shops. The flight was quiet and almost all of us played games.

Not many of us had been to Rome and so we saw a very different environment from the one we live in. The houses were yellow, there were terracotta tiles on the floor outside the cafés and the most common transport was the moped. We got to our hotel, sorted out our rooms unpacked and went out to dinner. The pasta was exquisite!

Lovely sunshine and comfortable temperatures were the norm and very nice it all was too, **B**_____ — but then we were warm and dry in the coach, **C**_____. The weather was important as most of our visits were to Roman remains.

The real Roman bit started with the trips round the Forum, Palatine Hill and the Colosseum **D**_____. On our way back to our hotel we were given a guided tour of the Church of San Clemente.

E_____, took us back to the level of Nero's Rome with its streets, alleys and the best preserved temple to Mithras in the world.

We spent time in Ostia, the port of Rome. During the 3rd century BC, the town was primarily used as a naval base and played an important part in various wars. The remains of the town itself are in excellent condition, **F**_____

Everything we had learned about or seen in pictures, suddenly came to life. We hadn't been there before but we felt that we knew it.

1. reaching down 50 metres below the modern street
2. considering that it was on at least one occasion partially destroyed by pirates
3. which would have made the group gasp in awe
4. after we had confirmed everything
5. where the cruel world of Roman entertainment was mixed with the amazing technology below stage
6. so it didn't matter
7. except for the coach drive from Rome to Sorrento

Ответ:

A	B	C	D	E	F

Задание 9

Chewing gum

The habit of chewing gum was first popular with the Ancient Greeks. They chewed mastic gum, **A** _____.

Modern chewing gum, however, originated around the 1860s in America. A substance called chicle was found in the sapodilla trees of Mexico and made a smoother, more elastic gum than previously. William Wrigley, a flour factory owner, found a way to flavor it with mint and **B** _____. Nowadays 90% of chewing gum is manufactured by Wrigley, and the basic process has changed little since manufacture began in 1892.

Sales of chewing gum are at record levels; last year in the UK, £ 317 million was spent on gum. This figure has risen nearly 40% in the last five years, with the sugar-free brands now making up three-quarters of the total market. Consumer analysts say it's no longer considered just a sweet. It's become more relevant to today's consumer with people regarding it as a kind of two-in-one: a sweet fix and a breath-fresher at the same time. Stress relief is another factor, **C** _____. I've just heard the most incredible story about Britney Spears' chewing gum! Apparently, she's always spitting her chewing gum out onto the pavement and one day, **D** _____ and decided to sell it online... you know, on eBay. Basically they sold her piece of chewed chewing gum by online auction! Nobody could guarantee it was real, of course, but lots of people bid for it — and in the end, it was sold for about \$100. I can't believe anyone would want chewing gum **E** _____ — whoever that person is!

An incredible three and half billion pieces of gum are disposed of the UK every year. Better enforcement of fines has helped to reduce the problem

slightly, but it is almost impossible to catch people spitting out their gum. Some areas have installed special boards **F** _____. Meanwhile, biodegradable gum is being developed which in the end may well be the ultimate answer to the seemingly never-ending problem of chewing gum litter.

1. someone saw her spit some out, picked up
2. although not so many gum users admit to that one
3. a resin obtained from the mastic tree
4. discarded chewing gum on the pavement
5. that's been in someone else's mouth
6. started making the first mass-produced gum
7. which people are invited to stick their used gum to

Ответ:

A	B	C	D	E	F

Задание 10

Attics in the capital are mostly rented out as commercial sites by different firms or shops, while in the United States and Europe **A** _____. But the young loft apartment market is on the march, particularly among well-off Moscovites.

Despite the industrial facade loft apartments are in some of the trendiest areas. Lofts are usually located in former factories and warehouses - and developers tend to stick to an industrially minimalist design. Brick walls with no plaster, wooden floors and very high ceilings are complemented with large windows **B** _____.

Classic lofts are apartments converted from industrial premises like factories, **C** _____.

When lofts first appeared in the US and Europe in the early 20th century they were snapped up on the cheap by artists and sculptors **D** _____. The vast space allowed them to put everything they needed for creativity there and work in the comfort of the apartment.

Now they are used not only as apartments but also for creative space. In Moscow there are plenty of contemporary art centres in attics. The most popular loft location in the capital is the former chocolate factory, Krasny Oktyabr. In 2009 the factory stands on **E** _____ with showrooms, art galleries, design bureaus, nightclubs and restaurants. The area is now one of the trendiest locations in town, and it is easy **F** _____.

1. but the style of the site is kept unchanged
2. allowing lots of light to enter the apartment
3. what was converted into a creative cluster
4. to spend a day walking round all the features
5. being popular with innovative commercial firms
6. due to the low cost of renovation and rental
7. they are often used for offices and apartments

Ответ:

A	B	C	D	E	F

Задание 11

Flat-sharing

You've got a problem. You're going to go to university in a different town and you need somewhere to live. Or perhaps you just don't get on with your parents. What can you do? Have you ever thought of sharing a flat?

I know all about it because I've been sharing flats for the past four years, **A** _____. I must admit my first experience was a bit of a disaster. I saw an advert in the newspaper from a girl who had a flat and was looking for a flatmate. When I met her, she seemed really nice, and noticed that she had lots of great CDs I wanted to hear and a big TV. However, I changed my mind about her a few days after I moved in. I came home from college one day and **B** _____. My flatmate looked at them, looked at me and shouted: 'I hope you're not going to leave those there!' It was then I found out that she was absolutely obsessive about being tidy. It was obvious that we were incompatible, **C** _____. I moved out after the first month.

Then I decided to try sharing a house with several people. I rented a room in a big old house which I shared with four other girls (two Brazilians, a Russian, and an Italian). It was great because **D** _____ and we had lots of parties. However, there were three problems. Firstly, it was almost impossible to do any work because the house was so noisy. Secondly, there was only one bathroom, and there was always someone in it, **E** _____. But the biggest arguments we had were always the day the phone bill arrived.

After a year the foreign girls went home, and I decided to share with a friend, somebody I already knew well. We've been living here now for nearly a year and we get on really well — except for **F** _____. But it's great having someone else to help pay rent, to share their dinner with you when you're too exhausted to cook, and who, unlike your parents or your partner, doesn't mind

what time you get up or if you've left your bedroom in a mess. And best of all, when you've had a bad day or you've broken up with your boyfriend you know there's always someone to talk to.

1. as I'm definitely not the world's tidiest person
2. her irritating habits of eating my yoghurts and finishing the coffee
3. since I moved to Edinburgh to get my education
4. the problems are the same if you live with your family
5. especially first thing in the morning when I was already late for class
6. threw my books and jacket onto the living room sofa
7. the house was always full of young people from all over the world

Ответ:

A	B	C	D	E	F

Задание 12

'Tune In, Turn On and Drop Out' was the motto of the hippie movement that grew partially out of young America's disillusionment with the Vietnam War. Hippies were mainly white teenagers and young adults **A** _____.

The immediate precursor to the hippies was the so-called Beat Generation of the late 1950-s. But where the intellectual beats tended to stay out of politics, the hippies were known as much for their political outspokenness **B** _____. Their opposition to the Vietnam War became one of the most significant aspects of the growing antiwar movement throughout the latter half of the 1960-s.

To express their protests and to 'turn on' others, the hippies used art, street theatre and particularly music. This culture reached its peak in the summer of 1967, when a concert in San Francisco's Golden Gate Park introduced the music of the hippies to a wider audience. The concert inspired thousands of young people around the country to head to San Francisco, **C** _____.

In the 60's hippies sought to free themselves from societal restrictions, choose their own way and find new meaning in life. This made hippies instantly recognizable to one another and served **D** _____.

Hippies often chose brightly coloured clothing. Much of hippie clothing was self-made, and hippies often purchased their clothes from flea markets and second-hand shops. Natural and foreign accessories for both men and women included Native American jewellery, headbands and long beaded necklaces. Tie-dyeing was very fashionable **E** _____.

Hippie culture spread worldwide through a fusion of rock music, folk and blues, it also found expression in literature, fashion and the visual arts, F _____.

Eventually the hippie movement extended far beyond the United States, the United Kingdom, Europe and appeared in Australia, Canada, New Zealand, Japan, Brazil and many other countries.

1. which were against the war and the government
2. who shared distrust towards traditional values and authority
3. some wearing flowers in their hair
4. including film, posters and album covers
5. as part of hippie style and still is today
6. as a visual symbol of their willingness to question authority
7. as for their long hair and colourful clothing

Ответ:

A	B	C	D	E	F

1.3. Задания на множественный выбор (Multiple Choice)

В заданиях такого типа необходимо выбрать единственно верный ответ, который соответствует содержанию текста. Задание может состоять из вопросов с ответами, и вы должны выбрать из них один правильный. Возможно, это незаконченное предложение с вариантами его завершения, из которых вы должны выбрать наиболее совпадающий с информацией, полученной при чтении текста.

Стратегия выполнения задания

- Начните с чтения заданий, предположите, какой перед вами тест — из художественной литературы или научно-познавательный.
- Прочитайте текст один раз, при повторном прочтении найдите фрагменты, к которым относится каждое из заданий. (Это может быть выражение, целое предложение или целый абзац).
- Не ищите полного совпадения, потому что при составлении заданий часто используется синонимический ряд. Помня об этом, подбирайте правильный вариант ответа.
- Определите абсолютно неверные ответы.
- Отметьте верный ответ и проверьте его правильность в тексте.