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TEST COMPETENTA LINGVISTICA, LIMBA ENGLEZA

Fill in: At nearly 90 years old, James Lovelock has arrived at a worrying conclusion: we are doomed. Like tourists enjoying a boat ride at the top of Niagara Falls, we have no idea that the engines are about to break down. Lovelock believes drought and other extreme weather will become normal by 2030. ____. Beijing, Miami and London will suffer excessive heat, rising seas or floods. Millions will go north looking for food and water. By 2100, he believes, more than 6 billion people will have died. The survivors will mostly be in Canada, Scandinavia and the Arctic.

- A. By 2040, Europe will be a desert, and Paris will be as hot as Cairo.
- B. This means a cooler, more comfortable environment.
- C. What about using biofuels, renewable energies?
- D. At this point, we should be concentrating on a sustainable retreat.

ANSWER: A

Fill in: Tired of waiting, last night Tim phoned the restaurant as he wanted to know when ____ again.

- A. it would open
- B. would it open
- C. it has opened
- D. did it open

ANSWER: A

Fill in: The AIRpod is small, holding just three passengers, with a single seat facing forward for the driver and a bench facing backward for two more people. The car is designed to be exceptionally light, weighing in at 220 kg. ____ its flimsy appearance, the car is actually very safe, as it has airbags outside the car which inflate when a crash is imminent. The technology of air-powered engines is relatively cheap and simple. ____ air power means that the car is emission-free, some energy is required to compress air into its tank.

- A. In spite of; Although
- B. Despite; Because of
- C. Although; Despite
- D. Because; Even if

ANSWER: A

Fill in: Cromer is a classic English seaside resort renowned for its dressed crab and grand pier, drawing on its history as a thriving fishing port. Another of the town's celebrated ___ is with the courageous lifeboat crews who have served the community for centuries.

- A. connections
- B. boats
- C. vibrations
- D. landscapes

ANSWER: A

Fill in: The older I get, ___ in classical literature.

- A. the more interested I am
- B. more I am interested
- C. I found most interesting
- D. more interested am I

ANSWER: A

Fill in: This video has great tips on how to make use ___ online platforms in general.

- A. of
- B. on
- C. at
- D. with

ANSWER: A

Fill in: If George ___ more money, he ___ a bigger house.

- A. earned; could buy
- B. would earn; can buy
- C. earned; buys
- D. had earned; bought

ANSWER: A

Fill in: 'How did you manage to miss your train?' 'Well, I had aimed ___ at the station in plenty of time, but I got stuck in traffic'.

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- A. to arrive
- B. to reach
- C. getting
- D. having arrived

ANSWER: A

Fill in: Last summer, my family decided, on the spur of the moment, to go for ___ one-week holiday in ___ France.

- A. a; -
- B. a; the
- C. the; the
- D. -; -

ANSWER A

Fill in: With a hidden video camera, we recorded the launch of the project, while a clock kept time. This boy ___ a computer before. After just two minutes, he ___ how to control a cursor. After six minutes, he was online.

- A. had never used; knew
- B. has never used; had known
- C. never used; has known
- D. has never used; used to know

ANSWER: A

Fill in: The article published in The Guardian is supposed to ___ awareness on global warming and the dangers it may ___ to humanity.

- A. raise; pose
- B. rise; rose
- C. risen; put
- D. arise; possess

ANSWER: A

Fill in: It's people ___ have no civic responsibility ___ annoy me the most as they don't put their garbage in the bins provided.

- A. who; that

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- B. which; that
- C. that; what
- D. who; so that

ANSWER: A

Fill in: When I heard what had happened I realized that if it ___ for his immediate reaction, a whole month's work ___ completely lost. Luckily it all ended well.

- A. hadn't been; would have been
- B. wasn't; has been
- C. weren't; is
- D. isn't; will be

ANSWER: A

Fill in: It may not rain much in the Atacama, in Spain, but in certain areas it doesn't need to. Andean meltwater is abundant enough to supply rivers, above and below ground. Wells provide water to the lonely oasis that is San Pedro de Atacama, home to a community dedicated to tourism. Almost all residents are involved in one form or another, enabling the town to serve as a base from which travellers can explore the desert. ____. With their deep roots, those trees can reach the buried water, but north of the town the vegetation has readier access to liquid sustenance: a pair of rivers that flow through the desert like Biblical miracles.

- A. While San Pedro's function may have changed over the centuries, its aesthetic is still that of an ancient outpost, with stone walls and a central plaza in which people seek shade under peppercorn trees
- B. Leaving San Pedro behind, one can descend to the riverbed where many species have set up home along the banks
- C. These days, people have found green spaces even here, in the Atacama desert
- D. The water near the town is so clear and rich in nutrients that it's also home to fish and is probably visited by members of the dwindling puma population

ANSWER: A

Fill in: Nobody ___ that George ___ happy for a long time.

- A. noticed; hadn't been feeling
- B. notices; hadn't been feeling
- C. has noticed; won't be feeling
- D. noticed; won't be feeling

ANSWER: A

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Fill in: Jane prefers ___ a flat with friends to ___ a place of her own while she is at university.

- A. sharing; renting
- B. sharing; rented
- C. shared; rent
- D. being shared; being rented

ANSWER: A

Fill in: This kitchen furniture is ____, so I'll have to look somewhere else.

- A. far too expensive
- B. much expensive
- C. nearly expensive
- D. as expensive

ANSWER: A

Fill in: In Ancient Greek mythology, Phaeton was the son of Helios, the sun god. His father ___ him to drive the sun chariot for a day, but Phaeton ___ control it and the chariot fell out of the sky crushing down on Earth.

- A. allowed; couldn't
- B. permitted; mustn't
- C. obliged; needn't
- D. made; shouldn't

ANSWER: A

Fill in: The score was so tight in the game last night that nobody knew until the last minute who ___.

- A. would win
- B. has been winning
- C. did win
- D. wins

ANSWER: A

Fill in: She knew that ___ him was not an option but, on the other hand, telling the truth was going to be very ___.

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- A. lying to; hard
- B. lying at; hardly
- C. laying at; harder
- D. lying to; hardly

ANSWER: A

Fill in: The point he's trying to make is that politicians are never going to say how bad ____.

- A. things really are
- B. are really things
- C. are things really
- D. really are things

ANSWER: A

Fill in: One day last year, a middle-aged man asked a taxi to take him to see Chelsea play against Arsenal at football. He told the driver he ____ to get to Stamford Bridge, the name of Chelsea's stadium, but the driver delivered him instead to the village of Stamford Bridge in Yorkshire, nearly 150 miles the opposite direction. When the man objected, the driver said that they ____ the right place according to the navigation system on the dashboard.

- A. wanted; had reached
- B. wants; reach
- C. will want; have reached
- D. wanted; will reach

ANSWER: A

Fill in: Whatever people ____ tell you about hybrids, they are only marginally ____ polluting than the most efficient combustion engines.

- A. may; less
- B. must; a little
- C. will; little
- D. might; the least

ANSWER: A

Fill in: ____ we leave right away, we'll never make it to the theatre on time to see the start of the play.

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- A. Even if
- B. Despite
- C. In spite of
- D. In case of

ANSWER: A

Fill in: Harriet ___ from the language school last year because she had lied about her grades on the application form.

- A. was expelled
- B. is being expelled
- C. used to be expelled
- D. will be expelled

ANSWER: A

Fill in: The author of these travel guides for Europe ___ on a job well done.

- A. should be congratulated
- B. should congratulate
- C. has to congratulate
- D. are congratulating

ANSWER: A

Fill in: Fools will always be here. And their foolishness will always make the news headlines. But, on the other hand, there will always be teachers and parents who see the real value in possessing and sharing knowledge. ___. We can't help but use it to check what's happening, or has happened, in the world. Schools are probably right to encourage young people to use the Internet to find out about the world.

- A. The Internet, however, changes everything.
- B. It may be right that such a tool will just help us to forget more and more.
- C. But, at the same time, the continuing popularity of quizzes and game-shows shows us that general knowledge is strong enough to remain.
- D. Is this the end of general knowledge?

ANSWER: A

Fill in: Henry ___ a lot of time commuting to work every day.

- A. spends
- B. cancels
- C. claims
- D. persuades

ANSWER: A

Fill in: The children washed their family car ___ that their neighbours now pay them to wash theirs too.

- A. so well
- B. so fine
- C. such good
- D. very well

ANSWER: A

Fill in: Martha graduated from university last year and she is now working as ___ designer.

- A. an interior
- B. an internal
- C. an inside
- D. an indoor

ANSWER: A