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Reading Test

Instructions

1. This test contains 4 tasks and 26 questions.
2. Write all your answers in this test booklet.

Task 1

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Read the text below, then choose the correct answer (A, B, C or D) for questions Q1-Q4. Put a in the correct box. The first one (0) has been done for you.

The Animal Kingdom Bites Back



The wall around Virungas National Park in Rwanda is far from finished, but already it stretches for 100km. Every day it grows as villagers add volcanic rock to the perimeter. With luck, the wall will bring calm to the region. First, it will block the way for the elephants, buffalo and even mountain gorillas that occasionally launch raids on the farms that have sprung up on the park's edge. But it will also keep the rapidly expanding human population from encroaching further into the parkland, a process that has seen animal attacks on humans soar in recent decades.

Around the world animals are increasingly coming into conflict with humans. Florida was put on alert last week after three fatal alligator attacks in less than a week. Elsewhere, particularly in the developing world, wild animal attacks on humans are also rising, although they rarely achieve as much attention.

Some of the worst tales come from Bangladesh, where tigers have been reported to attack each year. But last year the focus shifted to Tanzania. A survey by researchers at the University of Minnesota found that lions were killing some 100 people every year. Most were farmers, sleeping in their fields to deter other animals that might be tempted to attack their livestock. One lion was said to have killed 40 people in the same village.

There are two main reasons for the rise in what researchers call 'human-animal-conflict' a phrase that encompasses killings, maulings and crop raiding. One is the success of conservation efforts. Particularly in Europe, efforts to protect the lynx and bear have produced such recovery in numbers that they are now more likely to run into humans. More significantly, dangerous animals' habitats – and so their food sources – are being destroyed as humans move into them. In Tanzania, where the human population rose by 50% between 1988 and 2002, people have expanded into wildlife areas and depleted the lions' prey – zebra and impala.

Simon Thirgood, a conservationist, says that regions such as the Serengeti are stark examples of how recovering animal populations come up against booming human communities, leading to injuries and killings. "Banning the trade in ivory and focusing policing on poachers have made elephant populations recover, and the result is that we are now getting much more conflict."

The damage caused by elephants can be dramatic. In 2002, 12 people were killed when elephants rampaged through an Indian border village and crossed into Nepal. Often elephants strike when humans get in the way of their meal.

“They are big animals,” Thirgood says, “and if someone’s waving a torch in their face to move them on, they’re going to get angry.” Animal attacks have become so popular a research area, Thirgood says, that it can be hard to tell if apparent increases in attacks are a real trend or were merely unnoticed before.

In some cases governments are keen to play down attacks fearing their tourism could take a hit.

In the developing world the main cause of conflict may be the desire for the same things – food, water, shelter. But other factors are coming in to play in the developed world – notably an increase in the popularity of more extreme pursuits.

0 In Rwanda a wall is being built to

- A prevent wildlife from drinking human water supplies.
- B protect wildlife, especially mountain gorillas.
- C stop dangerous animals entering the National Park.
- D reduce the attacks of wild animals.

Q1 Lethal attacks against humans are more or less ignored by the public

- A in countries in the third world.
- B in Florida.
- C in Rwanda and Tanzania only.
- D in India and Bangladesh.

Q2 People and animals come into conflict with each other because

- A of the great increase in tourists to the National Parks.
- B they are competing for living space.
- C people want to explore the animals’ habitat.
- D illegal shooting of wild animals has been successfully stopped.

Q3 Elephants often react violently towards humans because

- A people have set up new borders.
- B they feel threatened by fences and walls.
- C people block their access to food sources.
- D people are deliberately frightening them.

Q4 Some countries deny having problems with dangerous animals because

- A they are involved in the illegal ivory trade.
- B they depend on foreign aid.
- C they feel the media exaggerate the issue.
- D their tourist industry would be negatively affected.

Task 2

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Read the texts below, then choose the correct texts (A-I) for the statements (Q5-Q11). You can use a text more than once. Write your answers in the boxes provided. The first one (0) has been done for you. There are two extra parts that you should not use.

Top 9 restaurants with a great view



A. The Aquarium, Dubai (Dubai's Creek)

A floor-to-ceiling aquarium stocked with hundreds of exotic fish is the centrepiece of this stylish restaurant, which also boasts stunning views of Dubai's Creek. The speciality? Seafood.

B. C5 Restaurant Lounge, Toronto (skyline)

Cantilevered over the city in Daniel Libeskind's new addition to the Royal Ontario Museum, C5 has a view of the skyline. In the open kitchen, chef Ted Corrado, who has worked at Rain and Luce, produces refined "Toronto cuisine" - meaning multicultural.

C. Catch, Los Angeles (Santa Monica beach)

No restaurant captures SoCal beach chic as beautifully as this new seafood place with floor-to-ceiling windows off the beach in Santa Monica. Chef Michael Reardon prepares exceptional crudo, but he's also adept with kurobuta pork loin.

D. Diwan Al-Sultan Brahim, Beirut (the Mediterranean)

This restaurant has several branches, but the one in an Ottoman building in the port area is the most appealing, due to its waterfront location and exceptional seafood. The terrace overlooking the Mediterranean is a prime spot to snack on mezes (like baba ghanouj and tabbouleh) and fresh cooked fish.

E. Herbert Samuel, Tel Aviv (prime seaside location)

This buzzy new spot has luxurious interiors by architect Alon Baranowitz and a prime seaside location. The imaginative neo-Med menu from local celebrity chef Yonatan Roshfeld includes regional specialities such as Jerusalem artichoke soup with chestnuts.

F. Kaiwa, Honolulu (Waikiki Beach)

Set near Waikiki Beach, the ambitious new Kaiwa has a wall-size waterfall in the dining room and a space-age tatami room decorated with gleaming fiber-optic strands. Best of all is the crisply executed contemporary Japanese cooking from husband-and-wife team Isamu and Motoko Kubota.

G. Papadakis, Athens (Acropolis)

In the three years since Argyro Barbarigou relocated her restaurant from the island of Paros to Athens's residential Lycabettus neighborhood, she has become a media darling, with her own TV show and cookbook series. Papadakis is known for Barbarigou's outstanding seafood and the superb view of the Acropolis.

H. Pierchic, Dubai (Palm Jumeirah island)

Housed in a wooden structure modelled on a traditional Emirati home, this spot overlooking the Persian Gulf has amazing views of the man-made Palm Jumeirah Island. The menu reflects its waterside setting with imaginatively prepared seafood.

I. The Wharf Restaurant, Sydney (harbor)

At one end of a historic warehouse, this grand waterside restaurant brings in guests via a walkway lined with posters of past performances from the Sydney Theatre Company to a dining room with views of the harbour and bridge. In the kitchen, chef Aaron Ross (formerly of Claude's) cooks contemporary Australian food with precisely calibrated flavours.

Find the restaurant or restaurants with the following characteristics:

looks like a typical local house		0	<i>H</i>
customers can watch the cook		Q5	
modern national cuisine		Q6	
used to be in a different place		Q7	
mixture of cooking styles		Q8	
creative new way of serving local dishes		Q9	
water feature as focal point	Q10	Q11	

Task 3

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Read the text below. Parts of the text have been removed. Choose the correct part (A-J) for each gap (Q12-Q18). There are two extra parts you should not use. Write your answers in the boxes provided at the end of the task. The first one (0) has been done for you.

Here's to you, Mrs. Berenson
She listened to my story and changed my life

By Chitra Banerjee Divakaruni

It was a blustery evening in Chicago. The wind pierced through the neon-orange coat I'd bought with high hopes in Calcutta, my hometown, just a month before. (0)..... Finally, the bus appeared around the corner. I boarded and sank into my seat thankfully.

I was 19, and the toddler whom I babysat had been cranky all day. (Q12)..... In a few hours, after dinner and comedy shows with indecipherable jokes, I'd be able to pull out the sofa bed and crawl into it.

Just then, the bus shuddered to a stop. The engine was dead, the driver said. (Q13)..... Agree to an arranged marriage like my cousin. Then I saw the small, brightly lit building with its American flag and sign in front: "Library". It looked so warm inside, I couldn't resist, though I knew my relatives would worry.

(Q14)..... A tag pinned to her cardigan said "A. Berenson, Librarian". Feeling bold, I asked if I could borrow a book. She asked if I had identification. I produced it, and she typed out a card with my name on it. When I asked how many books I could take home, she said, "As many as you can carry out! What are you looking for?" (Q15)..... "I want to go to college and study American literature." She led me to the stacks, paused, then handed me *The Great Gatsby*. I'd never heard of it, but already I trusted Mrs. Berenson.

That night, I plunged into a fascinating world of affluence and excess. (Q16)..... Later, when I expressed outrage that he'd been killed, Mrs. B. smiled and said, "But it's made you care. Isn't that what counts?"

Over the next months, Mrs. B. gave me many more books and –"because fun is important"- introduced me to her favorite singers, from Billie Holiday to Simon and Garfunkel. (Q17)..... I started to teach. Began to write. In all that busyness, Mrs. B. slipped into the cracks of my memory.

Years later, when my first book was published, I walked into our local library – a place my children loved as much as I did. (Q18)..... And suddenly I was back in those other stacks, and Mrs. B. was smiling at me. Words I never got a chance to tell her flowed into my mind: *God bless you please, Mrs. Berenson, I owe you more than I can ever say.* And then, because fun is important: *Hey, hey, hey.*

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 Her new novel is The Palace of Illusions.*

A	Her interest was so genuine that, before I knew it, I was confiding my dream.
B	Soon, though, I'd be back at the apartment where I was staying with relatives.
C	There it was, my book, nestled between Dickinson and Dybek.
D	Here, people in sober browns and black eyed it – and the sari I wore under it – with silent suspicion.
E	Maybe, I thought as I trudged along the sidewalk, I should give up my dream, go back to India.
F	My own problems receded as I waited tensely to see if Gatsby would find love.
G	A nice old lady at the entrance guided me to the American literature section.
H	Perhaps because she took my opinions seriously, I put aside my pride, borrowed money from relatives, and got my degrees.
I	Thinking of my family's expectations gave me a nauseous feeling.
J	The woman at the desk – an older lady – gave a welcoming nod.

0	Q12	Q13	Q14	Q15	Q16	Q17	Q18
D							

Task 4

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Read the text below, then complete the sentences (Q19-Q26) using a maximum of 4 words. Write your answers in the spaces provided. The first one (0) has been done for you.

Czar Family Fate Lifted

By AP/STEPHANIE REITZ

Answers to the mystery of what befell the heirs of the last czar of Russia nearly a century ago may rest behind locked laboratory doors in Moscow and New England.

DNA test results to be announced within months on bone fragments found in Russia last year could prove that none of Czar Nicholas II's family escaped execution in the Bolshevik Revolution — not even Anastasia, the teenage princess whose identity various women have claimed over the decades.

Evgeny Rogaev, who heads a genetic research team working in Moscow and at the University of Massachusetts Medical School in Worcester, is not immune to the effect his work could have on how his fellow Russian citizens view that turbulent chapter in their history.

He keeps pictures of the royal family carefully tucked inside a folder near charts of DNA sequences, but does not display them. Likewise, he shields any sight of the remains from everyone except the other researchers, out of respect for whomever the remains represent.

"Murders occurred. Children were murdered," he said this week, choosing his words carefully. "I will not make a show of it. That is my ethics." For Rogaev, a professor at UMass and Moscow State University, ensuring the accuracy of the DNA tests is paramount. "In an expert work, it cannot be about emotions. It must be about collection of scientific evidences, and that is why this DNA is so powerful to study," he said.

Rogaev is reviewing the genetic material at the request of the Russian Federation Prosecutor's Office as part of its reopened investigation of the deaths of the royal family.

Nicholas II, Empress Alexandra, 13-year-old Crown Prince Alexei, the prince's four older sisters and their four attendants were taken prisoner in 1917. Even though the czar already had abdicated his throne, their captors fatally shot all the prisoners on July 17, 1918, in a basement room of a house in the city of Yekaterinburg.

DNA testing determined skeletal remains unearthed from shallow graves in a nearby mining pit in 1991 were most likely those of the couple and three of their four daughters, who were believed to be 22-year-old Olga, 21-year-old Tatiana and 17-year-old Anastasia, although

some people speculate the last set of remains belonged to the similarly sized 19-year-old Maria.

Researchers suspect the bone shards discovered last summer, burned and doused with acid, are those of Alexei and Maria. They were found in the area where one of the professed killers said their bodies had been destroyed.

Rogaev, who was called to help verify the remains' authenticity in 1997 and 1998, said he knows many people with opinions on both sides. He compares it to the emotions that Americans have about their legendary public figures and families, such as the Kennedys, and says the DNA tests are the best way to be certain about the Romanovs' fate. "In science, what you conclude to be true comes from the results you find. When I see the results, I accept the results as the fact," he said.

0	The truth about the fate of the Russian Royal family may remain _____.	<i>behind laboratory doors</i>
Q19	Scientific examination might reveal that _____ managed to survive the communist overthrow.	
Q20	Mr Rogaev even _____ of the Czar's family next to test results.	
Q21	Mr Rogaev refuses to _____ the crimes that happened.	
Q22	The main objective of Mr Rogaev's work is to guarantee _____.	
Q23	By asking Mr Rogaev to do tests, Russia _____ into the Royals' fates.	
Q24	The Royal family's suspected burial site was _____.	
Q25	According to Mr Rogaev, people in the US tend to have strong feelings about _____.	
Q26	This kind of scientific testing is the perfect technique _____ the family's end.	