

Прочитайте текст с пропусками, обозначенными номерами **32–38**. Эти номера соответствуют заданиям **32–38**, в которых представлены возможные варианты ответов. Запишите в поле ответа цифру **1**, **2**, **3** или **4**, соответствующую выбранному Вами варианту ответа.

1. Philip and Michael

Philip Masters was a millionaire now. 32 ______, everyone in the club was aware that he had built up his own business from scratch after he had left his first job as a kitchen salesman. "Ready-Fit Kitchens" had started in a shed at the end of Philip's garden. Later, he 33 ______ in building a factory on the other side of town that employed more than three hundred people.

Ten years later, the financial press speculated that Philip's business was worth a couple of million. When five more years later the company was taken over by the John Lewis Partnership, Philip got seventeen million pounds. 34 _____ businessmen were as lucky as he was.

Philip was married for more than twenty years. He had fallen in love with Sally at first 35 ______. Now Sally was chairman of the regional branch of the Save the Children Fund. Their son had just won a place at St Anne's College, Oxford. Michael was the boy's godfather.

Michael Gilmour could 36 _____ be a greater contrast. On leaving school, where Philip had been his closest friend, he 37 _____ to find a permanent job. He started out as a trainee with Watneys, but lasted only a few months. Then he started to work as a reporter with a publishing company. He drifted from job to job. 38

Philip, he married his childhood sweetheart, Carol West, the daughter of a local doctor. They had a daughter. Michael seemed to have settled down at last.

32. 1) therefore 2) moreover 3) however 4) although

33. 1) fulfilled 2) succeeded 3) managed 4) achieved

34. 1) little 2) many 3) much 4) few

35. 1) view 2) sight 3) look 4) glimpse

36. 1) simply 2) nearly 3) hardly 4) merely

37. 1) lacked 2) missed 3) failed 4) lost

38. 1) like 2) alike 3) familiar 4) similar

2.

Mexico City

Mexico City was hot and frantic with Olympic gamesmanship.

The hotels were full but, fortunately, Kevin owned a country house just outside the city which we 32 _____ our headquarters. The Whites also had their home in Mexico City but they were more often than not at Kevin's private palace.

I must 33 ______ that when Kevin decided to move he moved fast. Like a good general, he marshalled his army close to the point of impact; he spent a small fortune on telephone calls and 34 ______ in getting all we needed for the expedition in the shortest time possible. I had a fast decision to make, too. My job

was a good one and I hated to give it 35 _____ unceremoniously, but Kevin was pushing hard. I 36 _____ my boss and he was good enough to give me six months' leave of absence. I deceived him in a way, I gave him the right destination but not the real reason for going there. Yet I think that going to Yucatan could be understood as looking 37 _____ my father's estate.

Kevin also used resources that only money can buy. The thought of it made me a bit dizzy. Kevin was able to lift a telephone and set a private police force in motion. It made me open my eyes and think again. There was something about Kevin that got at me. Whatever it was, I preferred to keep it bottled up. Will I **38** it in the future?

- it in the future?
- 32. 1) used 2) kept 3) did 4) made
- 33. 1) say 2) speak 3) tell 4) talk
- 34. 1) achieved 2) succeeded 3) managed 4) fulfilled
- 35. 1) on 2) in 3) up 4) to
- 36. 1) glanced 2) looked 3) watched 4) saw
- 37. 1) down 2) after 3) back 4) into
- 38. 1) apologize 2) disappoint 30 dissatisfy 4) regret

3.

'It's Only Me'

After her husband had gone to work, Mrs. Richards sent her children to school and went upstairs to her bedroom. She was too excited to do any 32______ that morning, because in the evening she would be going to a fancy dress party with her husband. She intended to dress up as a ghost and she had 33______ her costume the night before. Now she was 34______ to try it on. Though the costume consisted only of a sheet, it was very effective. Mrs. Richards put it on, looked in the mirror, smiled and went downstairs. She wanted to find out whether it would be 35______ to wear.

Just as Mrs. Richards was entering the dining-room, there was a 36 ______ on the front door. She knew that it must be the baker. She had told him to come straight in if ever she failed to open the door and to leave the bread on the kitchen table. Not wanting to 37 ______ the poor man, Mrs. Richards quickly hid in the small store-room under the stairs. She heard the front door open and heavy footsteps in the hall. Suddenly the door of the store-room was opened and a man entered. Mrs. Richards realized that it must be the man from the Electricity Board who had come to read the meter. She tried to 38 ______ the situation, saying 'It's only me', but it was too late. The man let out a cry and jumped back several paces. When Mrs. Richards walked towards him, he ran away, slamming the door behind him.

- 32. 1) homework 2) household 3) housework 4) housewife
- 33. 1) did 2) made 3) built 4) created
- 34. 1) nervous 2) restless 3) ill at ease 4) impatient
- 35. 1) attractive 2) exciting 3) comfortable 4) cozy
- 36. 1) knock 2) kick 3) hit 4) crash
- 37. 1) fear 2) worry 3) disturb 4) frighten
- 38. 1) describe 2) explain 3) interpret 4) clear

4.

Searching for a New Programme

A healthy lifestyle can vastly improve your well-being. This is a lifestyle designed for those who wish to feel more certain about their health and more in control of what the present and future will bring them in that important 32of existence. None of us wants to be sick. None of us enjoys the idea that we may become a medical statistic. This is a simple, easy-to-follow health-style that can enable you to get cards very much in your **33** . The doctors were fortunate enough to come into **34** _____ with a field of study that brought them to healing and well-being that they so desperately needed. They personally have 35 thousands of people improve their health using only a small part of information. Many more people begin to improve their health now. Embracing the most current information from many health-related fields, the programme of healthy lifestyle gives you an understanding of the impact of exercise, breathing, sunshine, sleep and much more on your health. In order for this programme to work for you, you have to be willing to apply at least some part of it. Some change will be 36. And as you make those first modest changes, you will get positive results that encourage you to do more. Changing is fun. And if you realize that your new healthy lifestyle **37** the making of new habits, not the **38** of old ones, you will feel very positive about what the future holds for you.

32. 1) sector 2) region 3) area 4) territory

- **33.** 1) benefit 2) advantage 3) privilege 4) favour
- **34.** 1) touch 2) contact 3) view 4) connection
- **35.** 1) confessed 2) witnessed 3) determined 4) recognized
- **36.** 1) ordered 2) commanded 3) forced 4) required
- 37. 1) contains 2) consists 3) involves 4) encloses
- 38. 1) breaking 2) damaging 3) ruining 4) destroying

5. To the North of London

The Aldenham Country Park is a large and pleasant area easily reached if you are travelling north out of London. It is worth visiting if you want a quick breath of fresh air and a reasonably attractive place for a brief picnic. The most important point of the park is Aldenham Reservoir. It was built in 1796 to 32 the water level in the river 33 by the newly constructed Grand Union Canal, and more recently has been used as a reserve public water supply. Not far from there lies the busy town of Watford which can be recommended for a brief visit. And in any **34** much more interesting stretches of the canal are met further north. And if you make your way through the town you can visit the Watford Museum in the High Street which has materials on printing and papermaking on **35** . The picture gallery has changing exhibitions of works by artists who lived or painted in the area. Another attraction of the neighbourhood is a fascinating complex of Roman buildings, the **36** • of a great city, once the third largest centre of Roman Britain. The private houses were impressive, many of them furnished with mosaic floors. The beauty of the mosaics can hardly be described on paper, and it is best 37 by standing and looking for a while. The other principal Roman site to be visited is a long stretch of the city wall back to the 3rd century. which **38**

- **32.** 1) remain 2) support 3) hold 4) maintain
- **33.** 1) confused 2) affected 3) bothered 4) disturbed
- **34.** 1) condition 2) situation 3) circumstance 4) case
- 35. 1) presentation 2) display 3) demonstration 4) exhibition
- 36. 1) remains 2) wastes 3) wreckage 4) reminders
- **37.** 1) praised 2) approved 3) appreciated 4) regarded
- 38. 1) dates 2) returns 3) follows 4) comes

6. Sharing music with friends

Brenda is a nineteen-year old full-time college student, and she earns money working part time as a waitress. Brenda loves to listen to music like most young people, but she can't 32 ______ the high CD prices that record companies 33 ______ for popular CDs. Brenda says that the prices of CDs are ridiculously high at \$17 to \$20 each and there are only two or three good songs on each CD.

She 34 an apartment with three other roommates. She pays her own 35 and she also pays most of her 36 . Her solution to expensive CDs is to download or copy music from the Internet. Brenda and millions of other people are called "downloaders" because they download free file-sharing software and music. When Brenda later gives, shares, or trades her music files free over the Internet, she is also an uploader. She considers herself an active music uploader, but the music industry considers her a 37 . From 2001 on, the Recording Industry Association of America has sued and fined dozens of file-sharing services, for uploading music files, and hundreds of people, for 38 the law by downloading music.

32. 1) provide 2) supply 3) afford 4) allow

33. 1) offer 2) charge 3) suggest 4) propose

34. 1) leases 2) lends 3) hires 4) rents

35. 1) lessons 2) classes 3) tuition 4) education

36. 1) costs 2) fees 3) expenses 4) payments

37. 1) thief 2) cheater 3) burglar 4) bandit

38. 1) undermining 2) disobeying 3) breaking 4) ruining

7.

British theatre

The theatre has always been very strong in Britain. Its centre is, of course, London, where successful plays can 32 _____ without a break for many years. London has several dozens of theatres, most of them not 33 _____ from Trafalgar Square. 34 _____ London even some quite big towns have no public theatre at all, but every town has its private theatres. British theatre is much admired. There you can 35 _____ the best of everything – an excellent orchestra, famous conductors, celebrated actors and a well-dressed 36 _____.

32. 1) show 2) perform 3) run 4) produce

33. 1) far 2) remote 3) distant 4) close

34. 1) Inside 2) Outside 3) In 4) Out

35. 1) take 2) give 3) hold 4) get

36. 1) audience 2) auditorium 3) authority 4) publicity

37. 1) puts up 2) sets up 3) makes up 4) goes up

38. 1) scene 2) stage 3) scenery 4) performance

8.

A Chinese vase

When I was a child I loved visiting my grandmother. I thought her house was as beautiful as a palace. As I grew older the house and garden seemed smaller, but I still loved visiting the old lady. There were so many lovely things to look 32 _____ in the house.

I loved her paintings and the old clock, but 33 _____ all I loved a big Chinese vase which stood in the hall. It was 34 _____ than me, and I couldn't see 35 ________ it. I walked round and round it looking at the beautiful ladies and the birds and flowers and trees, and Grandmother often 36 ________ me stories about these ladies. She said that her grandfather had brought the vase with him when he returned from a long 37 _______ to China.

We live in a modern house, and I'm afraid my husband and I often nag at the children. "Don't make the new carpet dirty, Paul!" "Be careful with the new table, Philip!"

Before she died, Grandmother gave me the vase I loved so much. It <u>38</u> beautiful in our modern hall. One day I came home from the shop. The boys met me at the door. "I'm as strong as George Bes, Mummy," said Paul. "I got a goal and I broke the vase." Philip tried to be more diplomatic than Paul, "It doesn't really matter, does it? You told us it wasn't new. You aren't cross, are you?"

- **32.** 1) out 2) at 3) into 4) about
- 33. 1) mostly 2) great of 3) greatly 4) most of
- 34. 1) higher 2) larger 3) taller 4) greater
- **35.** 1) about 2) around 3) inside 4) outside
- **36.** 1) said 2) spoke 3) talked 4) told
- **37.** 1) voyage 2) tour 3) hike 4) excursion
- 38. 1) looked 2) viewed 3) appeared 4) seemed

Bo

It was raining. The rain started early in the morning and it seemed, that it would never stop. Looking out of the window, Bo was thinking about his telephone conversation. Raindrops spattered the windshield as the taxi sliced through 32 traffic on Park Avenue. There were too many cars as usual. When it had skidded to a halt at the curb, Bo gave a ten-dollar bill to the driver. That included a very generous tip. He 33 his point of destination and was ready to take on Frank Ramsey. He had called Ramsey that morning from the Yale club and demanded the meeting. Ramsey had tried to avoid it but Bo insisted and Ramsey gave 34 _____.

At the building's revolving doors, Bo glanced back over his shoulder through the rain and noticed a woman standing on the sidewalk a short distance away. In the dim light he could not get a clear picture. She 35 ______ so much like Tiffany. She was wearing a yellow top and had long blond hair. Standing absolutely 36 ______ beneath her umbrella while everything around her moved, she seemed to be gazing straight at him. His heart 37 ______, the way it always did when he saw her. He couldn't help it. Bo strained to 38 ______ sight of her as he was jostled into the doorway. When he cleared the doors, the woman had already disappeared.

32. 1) solid 2) heavy 3) hard 4) difficult

33. 1) achieved 2) arrived 3) entered 4) reached

34. 1) to 2) on 3) in 4) off

35. 1) stared 2) gazed 3) looked 4) glanced

36. 1) inert 2) static 3) quiet 4) still

37. 1) set 2) sank 3) moved 4) dropped

38. 1) keep 2) hold 3) take 4) give

10.

The secret tunnel

In the middle of our village, there is a beautiful old church, which dates back to the beginning of the Middle Ages. It was rebuilt several times, but some of its parts, including the foundations, are 32.

Well, **33** about restoration, a while ago they decided to install a heating system there, as it gets cold in winter. Some of the local boys volunteered to help, including myself.

The benches were connected in stacks, so it was hard work to lift or to push them away, but we managed it. Most of the church floor was covered with marble-type slabs, but under some benches there were just some ancient-looking bricks. We got really 34_____, as we had heard stories about an old underground passageway leading from a crypt below the church to the castle in the nearest city. It is twelve miles 35_____.

So, a friend of mine and I started to dig down there. It was relatively easy to pull out the top layer of bricks, and underneath them we found soil, which also moved easily as it was completely dry. We found that one side of the hole was so soft that you could just 36 ______ a stick through it. It was obviously that passageway! Then some workmen came in and told us to stop. Just fancy that! We had to stop at the most exciting moment.

After a few days, the workmen put a layer of hard cement over the entire floor, so our find remained a mystery. But I won't give 37 _____. I still hope to go there some day and find that secret tunnel. Maybe, that will become the greatest 38 _____ of the 21st century.

32. 1) natural 2) original 3) real 4) genuine

33. 1) commenting 2) telling 3) saying 4) speaking

- **34.** 1) excited 2) amazed 3) annoyed 4) animated
- **35.** 1) away 2) far 3) off 4) about
- **36.** 1) shift 2) pull 3) push 4) remove
- **37.** 1) in 2) up 3) on 4) at

11.

Tracy

Tracy was as excited as a child about her first trip abroad. Early in the morning, she stopped at a 32 agency and reserved a suite on the Signal Deck of *the Queen Elizabeth II*. The next three days she spent buying clothes and luggage.

On the morning of the sailing, Tracy hired a limousine to drive her to the pier. When she 33 ______ at Pier 90, where *the Queen Elizabeth II* was docked, it was crowded with photographers and television reporters, and for a moment Tracy was panic stricken. Then she realized they were interviewing the two men posturing at the foot of the gangplank. The members of the crew were helping the passengers with their luggage. On deck, a steward looked at Tracy's ticket and her to her stateroom. It was a lovely suite with a private terrace. It had been ridiculously expensive but Tracy 35 _____ it was worth it.

She unpacked and then wandered along the corridor. In almost every cabin there were farewell parties going on, with laughter and champagne and conversation. She felt a sudden ache of loneliness. There was no one to see her 36 ______, no one for her to care about, and no one who cared about her. She was sailing into a completely unknown future.

Suddenly she felt the huge ship shudder as the tugs started to pull it out of the harbor, and she stood 37 _____ the passengers on the boat deck, watching the Statue of Liberty slide out of 38 _____, and then she went exploring.

32. 1) journey 2) trip 3) travel 4) tourist

33. 1) achieved 2) arrived 3) entered 4) reached

34. 1) set 2) came 3) headed 4) directed

35. 1) determined 2) resolved 3) decided 4) assured

36. 1) in 2) off 3) of 4) after

37. 1) among 2) along 3) between 4) besides

38. 1) glance 2) stare 3) sight 4) look

12. Busy Day

Let me tell you what happened once when my dear Uncle Podger decided to hang a picture on the wall. He told us not to 32 and just watch him do it. He said he would do it by himself. Well, he came up to the picture which was waiting to be put up in the dining room and took it. But suddenly it fell down and

the glass **33** into pieces and he cut his finger. He started to **34** his handkerchief but couldn't find it because he had put it in his coat and none of knew where his coat us was. "Six of you!" Uncle Podger exclaimed, "and you cannot find the coat that I put down only five minutes ago!" But then he got up from his chair and found that he had been sitting on his coat the whole time. "Oh, you can stop your 35 I've found myself!" it Then after an hour was spent in tying up his finger Uncle Podger wondered where the hammer had disappeared to. And while everybody was trying to get the hammer he was standing on the chair saying: "Well, I want to know if you are going to **36** _____ me here all evening!" Finally the hammer was found, but we noticed that the nail which he had prepared was lost. And, of course, Uncle Podger didn't keep 37 while he was waiting for another nail to be brought. We heard all he had to say about our habit of losing all the things needed. he When the picture was hanging on the wall at last, everybody looked very 38 , all except Uncle Podger, who was lively as ever. Aunt Maria remarked that if Uncle Podger wanted to do a job like that again, she would spend a week with her mother until it was over.

- **32.** 1) scare 2) disturb 3) worry 4) fear
- **33.** 1) failed 2) broke 3) ruined 4) fell
- **34.** 1) look at 2) look to 3) look after 4) look for
- **35.** 1) search 2) investigation 3) exploration 4) study
- **36.** 1) stay 2) keep 3) put 4) take
- **37.** 1) dumb 2) cool 3) still 4) silent
- **38.** 1) dull 2) tired 3) fresh 4) boring

13.

A Storyteller

In my early 20s, after a year and a half in England, and four months in France, I returned to the United States and got a job at a camp in northern Virginia. that summer was Dan from Mississippi, and I am from Rhode My 32 Island. We worked together with a group of boys from 12 to 14 years old. I've always been a bit untidy, but Dan was 33 _____ and clean, even after a night in the woods with our campers. We could not have been more different, but we got on because we shared the 34 of humor. same At the end of the summer, a few of us went to 35 a cave in West Virginia and got stuck in the cave for the night. It wasn't as dramatic as it sounds. The park rangers had told us to stay there if anything happened. They knew where we were going, and when we should have been back. Dan hurt his right foot badly. So we had to 36 ______ the night in the cave. Food and water were not a problem, but we turned off our lights to save power. In the distance, we could hear the sound running water. of То 37 _____ the time, we told stories. That night in the cave we moved from one family story to another. As the night wore on, I remembered more and more. I was not alone-the cave, the blue light and the flowing water released stories and memories that we had never revealed to anyone. It was as if a river of stories had started flowing in each of us. When the rangers came the next morning, we didn't want to 38. "Can't we just tell a few more stories?" In the cave, that night, I became a storyteller.

- **32.** 1) friend 2) teammate 3) partner 4) opponent
- **33.** 1) clear 2) neat 3) exact 4) careful
- **34.** 1) feeling 2) emotion 3) reason 4) sense
- **35.** 1) explore 2) analyze 3) teach 4) learn
- **36.** 1) lead 2) spend 3) hold 4) waste
- **37.** 1) keep 2) waste 3) spare 4) pass
- 38. 1) escape 2) leave 3) remain 4) retire

14.

New York City: Nostalgia for the Old Neighbourhood

Life is made up of little things: some unimportant memories from childhood that, in fact, shaped your character. I 32 on Third Avenue in midtown Manhattan during the 1950s-60s where family life was centred around old **33** _ of flats and small stores. Third Avenue was my old neighbourhood and it with working families of Italian, German and had character. It was 34 Irish origin. We shopped together with all those people and their kids played together. Third Avenue influenced the way our family lived. I absorbed the street life. It gave me an 35 _____ that I could not have received in any other place. То me. it was home. In a recent walk around Third Avenue my eyes 36 signs of the old neighbourhood but couldn't find any. If I hadn't been born here and someone described the area, it would be 37 to believe. It wasn't because a few buildings had changed – everything had changed. The transformation began in the late 1950s and 60s when corporations replaced the old neighbourhood. In the early 1960s, the houses were pulled down. Families were forced to 38 the small stores went out of business and the old neighbourhood was changed forever. And now there is a lack of character in the transformed neighbourhood.

- **32.** 1) brought up 2) grew up 3) went up 4) got up
- **33.** 1) blocks 2) houses 3) groups 4) sets
- **34.** 1) covered 2) held 3) loaded 4) filled
- **35.** 1) knowledge 2) information 3) education 4) training

36. 1) looked after 2) looked for 3) looked through 4) looked at

37. 1) hard 2) easy 3) strange 4) heavy

38. 1) stay out 2) take out 3) move out 4) go out

15.

To hear a child

I believe in patience. I live as a volunteer residential counselor in a small group home. These boys have brought joy and happiness into my life; they have made me laugh and made me proud. However, they have also challenged me, made and tested patience. me angry my Each day we start anew, going about a 32 routine. I drive them to school, pick them up, cook for them and help with homework. We spend the evenings 33about what happened during the day. I meet their teachers and study for tests with them. They are the last people I see each night and the first ones I hear in of my life. I am twenty-two and the morning. They have become a 34 the beginning understand love am to of parent. а I could not have come this far without patience. They do not think like miniature adults and it is not fair to expect them to. 35 my expectations of them are high. I must remember that so much of what they see and understand is for the first time. First loves, first failed test, first time feeling the need to break away from the nest. I must have patience with them, because there is still a child within that comes out when least expect it. I This world is a fast-paced, fast food, fast-internet place. 36 , no matter how fast things move, children will be children. I believe they will mature quicker and with more tools if I am patient. I see it in their eyes. Over time, sad eyes can glisten again, but only if I am 37 _____ of the fact that it takes them longer to get somewhere. I see around them a world that expects too much of them. They come 38

too many things that give them too much sadness. They listen to me, respect me and understand reason but not always when I want them to. This opportunity has given me wisdom but only when I was patient enough to hear a child.

- **32.** 1) daily 2) common 3) average 4) traditional
- **33.** 1) discussing 2) debating 3) talking 4) saying
- **34.** 1) bit 2) part 3) parcel 4) piece
- **35.** 1) also 2) altogether 3) although 4) thus
- 36. 1) nevertheless 2) nevermore 3) although 4) therefore
- 37. 1) common 2) familiar 3) aware 4) acquainted
- **38.** 1) through 2) along 3) upon 4) across