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Tirsdag den 7. december 2021
Kl. 9.00-10.00

Reading Comprehension

Section 9

Choose a heading for each paragraph and write the letters on the lines.
There are more headings than you will need. There is an example at the beginning.

The Wimbledon Championships

9.0 E

The Championships at Wimbledon is the oldest, and perhaps the most well-known and most prestigious tennis tournament in the world. It has been held at the All England Club in Wimbledon, London, since 1877. The tournament was initially planned to raise money to repair the equipment used to roll the lawns at the club. At the time, no one knew what the future would bring for Wimbledon.

9.1 ____

Wimbledon is the only major championship to require a dress code of its players. Any player entering the tournament must dress “almost entirely in white” and a player can be disqualified for not following this rule. But why white? When the code was written in the 1880s, sweat stains were considered inappropriate and distasteful. It was therefore decided that the players should wear white so the sweat stains were less visible.

9.2 ____

Wimbledon is one of the Grand Slam tennis tournaments. There are four tennis Grand Slams that you should know about: Wimbledon, the U.S. Open, the French Open and the Australian Open. These tournaments are the most highly profiled tennis events of the year, representing the pinnacle of professional tennis. Each Grand Slam is played on different surfaces, Wimbledon being the only tournament to be played on grass courts.

9.3 ____

The first Wimbledon championship had only one event, the Gentlemen’s Singles, where 22 men entered, paying a mere 21 shillings to take part. Women were not allowed to enter the tournament until 1884, when it was agreed to open the Championship for both sexes. Women’s future participation at Wimbledon was thereby established. Shortly after this, Lottie Dodd became the youngest woman ever to win the title at the age of 15.

9.4 ____

Have you ever wondered how long a tennis match really is? The answer is simply that tennis matches do not have a specific length, but play continues until a winner is found. Matches are played as the best of three or five sets, with adverse weather conditions affecting match length. The longest match so far played at Wimbledon took place in 2010 between John Isner and Nicholas Mahut. The players competed for 11 hours and needed 183 games before a winner was found. Isner won the match.

9.5 ____

Even though the tournament is played on British ground, not many British players have managed to win the Wimbledon title since the tournament began. Maud Watson was the first Brit to win the ladies’ singles championship in 1884 and, in 1936, Fred Perry took home the men’s singles championship. Andrew Murray is the first British man to have won a Grand Slam since Fred Perry, winning the tournament in 2013 and 2016. However, Roger Federer from Switzerland and Martina Navratilova from the USA have won most Wimbledon titles in modern times.

9.6 ____

Professional players were allowed to compete in Wimbledon from 1968, the year prize money was first awarded. At that time, the winner of the men’s title received £2,000 and the winner of the ladies’ £750. In 2007, Wimbledon decided to pay both men and women the same amount. Since then, prize money has climbed to higher levels each year, with both men and women champions netting more than £2 million each.

Read the text “The Wimbledon Championships” in Teksthæfte, choose a heading for each paragraph (1-6) and write the correct letter in the space provided.

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The Wimbledon Championships

A. PAST CHAMPIONS

B. HIGHEST PAID SPORTSMEN

C. NEW ERA IN TENNIS

D. OBLIGATORY OUTFITS

E. FUNDRAISER

F. EQUALLY REWARDED

G. POPULAR SPECTATOR SPORT

H. UNPREDICTABLE DURATION

I. PRESTIGIOUS EVENTS

Reading Comprehension

Section 10

Some sentences have been removed from the text.

Choose the one which fits the gap from sentences A-J.

There are two extra sentences that you do not need to use.

There is an example at the beginning.

Super Humans

What makes humans so special? Most people would probably answer that it is our well-developed brains.

10.0 A.

Humans are outstanding in many ways, but not always in terms of physical attributes when compared to animals. **10.1** _____. Many other species jump higher and run faster. So what would be the result if we participated in the Animal Olympics? **10.2** _____.

But please don't write humans off so quickly. There would be two events in which we would have excellent chances of a gold medal - sprint and javelin. **10.3** _____.

Initially, the idea that we are best at running seems unlikely. Usain Bolt can run at a maximum velocity of 45 kilometres per hour for 10 seconds. **10.4** _____. Up to 10,000 metres, other animals are also faster than humans. However, at a marathon distance, humans can compete with the best. A top-tuned athlete can run 20 kilometres an hour for several hours. **10.5** _____. Over 2 million years, humans have developed into running machines.

The javelin event is another certain human gold medal in the Animal Olympics. **10.6** _____. Only humans can launch a projectile such as a spear or rock with power and precision, and this ability is due to two unique anatomical features. **10.7** _____. The wrist, too, seems uniquely adapted for a throwing motion.

The human body has, of course, evolved to survive in varying conditions and not necessarily to compete against animals in Olympic disciplines.

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Super Humans

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| A. | The body, on the other hand, is rarely mentioned. |
| B. | The shoulder faces forward and can freely rotate. |
| C. | This results in a weaker performance. |
| D. | Other primates can throw objects with force but somewhat inaccurately. |
| E. | We would inevitably finish near the bottom of the medals table. |
| F. | Cheetahs, the fastest land mammal, can double that. |
| G. | Both require talents proving that the human body is a remarkable piece of machinery. |
| H. | The stronger-willed humans would have an advantage in these events. |
| I. | This is comparable to nature’s endurance specialists: wild dogs and antelope. |
| J. | A chimp, for example, is pound for pound four times as strong as a man. |

Reading Comprehension

Section 11

Put x in the right box.

What Makes an Activist?

1 When we look at the world around us, we are often impressed by the energy of people who campaign actively to make political or social change. These activists, both young and old, demonstrate again and again that they care about events that affect the world we all live in. For example, one of the oldest activists ever was 100-year-old Captain Tom. He raised money for the British national health service during the COVID-19 pandemic by walking around his garden. And one of the youngest must be Scottish schoolgirl Martha Payne. She was just nine years old when she started a blog to show people how unhealthy and unappetizing school lunches can be.

What makes these people “tick”? How do you become an activist? Do you just wake up one morning, hear something on the news and decide to start a campaign? Or is there more to it than that?

For one thing, it turns out that your parents, and the way they brought you up, have an influence.

Whether you like it or not, your parents’ attitude affects you and helps form your opinions and reactions. If your parents think that it is appropriate to attend demonstrations against injustice, then you are more likely to start doing the same thing yourself. So perhaps you are not quite as much of a rebel as you thought!

Secondly, are you personally concerned about the local or global challenges that you hear about? Then you are more likely to become involved in efforts to do something about them. Most of us, unfortunately, tend to think about such events only for a short period of time. Then we go back to our daily lives without doing anything to make a difference.

And finally, psychologists say that doing something for other people gives activists a sense of personal satisfaction. We experience a heightened feeling of having done something worthwhile. We would probably not have this feeling if we had acted only for our own personal benefit.

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Read the text “What Makes an Activist?” in Teksthæfte.

Put x in the right box.

11.1 According to text, when we see activists, we usually

- think they are wasting their time.
- admire them for their actions.
- worry that they are too political.

11.2 According to the text,

- anyone can make a difference if they try.
- activism is necessary to have an influence.
- young and old should always work together.

11.3 According to the writer, your parents influence you

- by telling you what to do as you grow up.
- through their ideas and their behaviour.
- because we always rebel against them.

11.4 The writer claims that

- activists panic too much about world problems.
- using a lot of energy does not affect people's opinions.
- many people do nothing about global challenges.

11.5 This is an article about

- what motivates people's activism.
- how to raise funds from activism.
- why activism is important today.

11.6 “Unappetizing” in line 15 means

- uneatable
- unattractive
- unseasoned

11.7 “Appropriate” in line 26 means

- suitable
- exciting
- important

11.8 “Heightened” in line 41 means

- extended
- sharpened
- moderated

