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(письменная работа)

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X класс

1. Read the text. For questions 1-15, choose from the events (A-D).

Which event

- 1) was mistaken for a natural disaster?
- 2) took place late at night?
- 3) did not harm anybody?
- 4) is still causing damage?
- 5) has become a public spectacle?
- 6) lasted almost a full day?
- 7) injured numerous people?
- 8) was not an accident?
- 9) had a very fortunate ending?
- 10) damaged the environment?
- 11) forced people to leave their homes?
- 12) was caused by careless behaviour?
- 13) happened a long time ago?
- 14) has been the worst of its kind?
- 15) was resolved with the help of volunteers?

A. Joshua Stanley has had a lucky escape after he fell down a mineshaft, injuring his skull. The teenager, who had been exploring the mine with a friend, lost his grip and plummeted to the bottom of the shaft in the early hours of the morning. Emergency services were called to the scene and were assisted by more than 50 people from a nearby campsite. By using various ropes and baskets, the teenager was hoisted to the opening of the mine. The rescue operation took a total of six hours, after which Joshua was rushed to hospital where he received treatment for his head injury. He admitted that entering the shaft after dark had been irresponsible, and thanked all the people involved for their efforts. "Without them, I'd still be stuck down there," he said.

B. At the side of a railway line in North Carolina, a bus lies mangled, crushed beneath the weight of a freight train. Half of the bus is missing, its roof warped and twisted. While this may look like the scene of a terrible accident, it is actually the set of a spectacular film stunt! The remnants of the crash were left as a tourist attraction and have been untouched for the past 18 years. Most film-makers usually opt for scaled-down models to film train wrecks, but this director believed that the use of models would be "cheating!" Instead, he insisted upon producing a real train crash and was even given a budget of £1 million to do so! The result of his ambition is one of the most iconic train wrecks in film history. He even won an award for best action scene of the year.

C. A fire that burned for 22 hours after a factory exploded has finally been extinguished. The explosion occurred at 6pm when the factory was closed. "At first I thought it was an earthquake!" recalls Lucy Brown, an eye-witness who lives in the area. From her window, she could see clouds of dark smoke and fireballs shooting into the sky. Shortly after the blast, local residents were evacuated to a nearby college. However, the area has now been deemed safe for them to return to their homes. Officials have confirmed that there were no casualties as a result of the explosion. Although, there were no serious injuries, two factory guards were sent to the hospital for smoke inhalation.

D. Yesterday afternoon, an oil rig exploded in the Gulf of Mexico, leaving 16 workers in intensive care. The explosion triggered an oil spill which continues to flow into the ocean at a rate of 53,000 barrels per day. The Grande Isle in Louisiana, once a beautiful sandy coastline, is now covered in a layer of black oil. Countless marine animals have been washed up along the shore, trapped in the thick slime. Volunteers have rescued hundreds of animals so far, but there is concern that thousands of species will be affected by the most disastrous oil spill in history. A full investigation into the exact cause of the explosion is currently underway.

2. Put the verbs in brackets into the correct form.

Dear Peter,

You by any chance **1. (to know)** where Bob is? I **2. (to like)** to find out because I just **3. (hear)** of a job that exactly **4. (to suit)** him, but if he **5. (not to apply)** fairly soon of course he **6. (not to get)** it.

I last **7. (to see)** him about a month ago, when he just **8. (to leave)** his job with the film company. He **9. (to say)** he **10. (to go)** to France for a holiday and **11. (to promise)** to send me a postcard with his French address as soon as he **12. (to find)** a place to stay. But I **13. (to hear)** nothing since then and **14. (not to know)** even whether he **15. (to go)** to France or not.

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15. _____

3. Fill the gaps with *a / an / the / -* :

1) _____ Great Wall of 2) _____ China is one of the most impressive engineering projects ever carried out. Some of 3) _____ parts date back to 4) _____ 4th century BC. It is said to be 5) _____ only man-made structure that can be seen from 6) _____ space. It runs from 7) _____ Yellow Sea, in 8) _____ East, to Goadai, a town deep in 9) _____ central Asia. This course takes it through 10) _____ Mu Us Desert, along part of 11) _____ Huang He River and alongside 12) _____ Daban, Helan, and Quilian mountain ranges.

4. Read the text and fill each gap with ONE word.

Yann Martel's *Life of Pi* is a novel that you should 1) _____ read late in the evening if you intend to get 2) _____ sleep at night! It is definitely a page-turner; I personally found it absolutely impossible to 3) _____ down before I had read it cover 4) _____ cover.

The book tells the unusual story of a sixteen-year-old boy, Pi. 5) _____ Pi is making the voyage from India to Canada on a boat full of zoo animals, his boat sinks. Being the 6) _____ human survivor, he finds 7) _____ sharing a lifeboat with a menagerie of creatures, including a hyena, a zebra, an orang-utan and a 200 kg Bengal Tiger.

Although the book is written in a fairly simple style, 8) _____ examines some very complex themes. In 9) _____, the novel reads like a fable or a fairy tale as it discusses the question 10) _____ faith and belief.

If you read only 11) _____ good book this year, I 12) _____ strongly recommend Martel's *Life of Pi*. The writer has come up 13) _____ a story that is enlightening, humorous therefore highly entertaining.

5. Complete the passage by choosing which word best fits each gap:

According to a recent study, personality could determine how likely you are to be 1) (situated / involved / occupied / connected) in an accident. In fact, it could be the most important 2) (factor / point / item / detail) behind around a quarter of all mishaps. The 3) (investigators / inventors / explorers / researchers) have found that there are three key personality traits that may make some people more accident prone than others. Firstly, 4) (steep / wide / high / top) levels of aggressiveness or selfishness may 5) (put / bring / carry / make) people more at risk of having accidents as individuals with these characteristics are often highly competitive and therefore more likely to not follow instructions and to 6) (refuse / ignore / reject / deny) rules. It also seems that those who have very open personalities may also have more accidents as these 7) (portions / kinds / forms / varieties) of people can be

dreamy and 8) (**lose** / **need** / **lack** / **miss**) concentration. Finally, people who aren't very dependable or 9) (**responsible** / **acceptable** / **appropriate** / **suitable**) may also be more at risk. Not everyone, 10) (**therefore** / **however** / **furthermore** / **moreover**), agrees with the study's 11) (**solutions** / **discoveries** / **findings** / **answers**). A spokesperson for an accident prevention organisation said: "We must 12) (**accept** / **receive** / **draw** / **have**) responsibility for our actions and educate people to prevent accidents 13) (**other than** / **apart from** / **more than** / **instead of**) blaming our personalities.

6. Use the words in brackets to form a word which best suits each gap:

Most people have seen a sumo 1) _____ (**wrestle**) match on TV. But did you know that it evolved from an ancient Japanese 2) _____ (**perform**)? Its original purpose was as a dance which 3) _____ (**symbol**) the battle between right and wrong; however, since it was performed by the most 4) _____ (**power**) fighters, the dance soon became a popular martial art. Now, it is the 5) _____ (**nation**) sport of Japan and an enduring symbol of 6) _____ (**proud**) for the Japanese people.

The rules of sumo are very simple. 7) _____ (**basic**), the wrestler who first exits the ring or touches the ground with anything except their foot loses. A fighter will also be 8) _____ (**qualify**) if they perform a foul move, such as punching a(n) 9) _____ (**oppose**) with their fist. In addition, rules state that there is no 10) _____ (**restrict**) as to how much a wrestler can weigh. This means that 11) _____ (**compete**) could face someone more than twice their size! As a result, wrestlers eat vast quantities of food to gain the 12) _____ (**up**) hand against their rivals!