

VOCABULARY

1. Read the following text about New York. Think of ONE word that fits best in each blank space.

New York City is 1. of the largest cities in 2. world. It is also one of the most densely populated, with an estimated 8 million inhabitants. Manhattan is the 3. popular part of New York with tourists and has many interesting sights. There is also a large number 4. businesses in this area of the city, including the head offices of some of the world's leading companies. New York's subway system provides transport for more 5. a third of the city's workforce. New York is also regarded 6. the centre of entertainment. Broadway is the scene of many box-office hits, Carnegie Hall is one of the most famous concert halls in the world and the city is also home of several opera and ballet companies. With 7. choice of food, entertainment and social life than 8. other city, it is 9. wonder that people flock to New York to experience life in the Big Apple.

2. Use the word at the end of each sentence to form a new word that fits into the sentence.

10. The in this place is absolutely terrible. I want my money back. (SERVE)
11. Could you help me make a I don't know which phone to buy. (DECIDE)
12. Even very good clothes are quite in this shop (AFFORD).
13. There are no further for applying for this job. (REQUIRE)
14. My mother had no idea that this vase was so (VALUE).
15. Companies should always tell the in their advertisements. (TRUE)
16. Credit cards are really, but you have to be careful with them (USE)
17. I read a of all the new mountain bikes. This one is the best. (COMPARE)

3. Answer to question. Write YES or NO into your answer sheet.

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| 18. Is a plate triangular? | YES/NO |
| 19. Is twenty-five a quarter of a hundred? | YES/NO |
| 20. When you refuse something does it mean that you agree? | YES/NO |
| 21. Are poems usually longer than novels? | YES/NO |
| 22. Is fatty food usually healthy? | YES/NO |
| 23. Is it polite to laugh at somebody? | YES/NO |
| 24. Do people smile when they feel pain? | YES/NO |
| 25. Are passive people often successful at work? | YES/NO |
| 26. Do kind people have a lot of enemies? | YES/NO |
| 27. Do we usually imagine heaven is above us? | YES/NO |
| 28. Does snow always cover the ground in autumn? | YES/NO |
| 29. Is it a good idea to upgrade computer? | YES/NO |
| 30. Do people get rid of useless things? | YES/NO |
| 31. Would it be generous of a teacher to give you ten lessons for free? | YES/NO |
| 32. Is it mature for a person to act irresponsibly? | YES/NO |
| 33. Did dinosaurs become extinct? | YES/NO |

GRAMMAR

4. Choose the correct option.

Thirty years ago Suzy McGuire was the greatest film star in the world. She
 34. live in a big house in Hollywood where she 35.
 twelve servants. When we asked people about her, many thought that she
 36. That's because Ms McGuire. 37. any
 interviews to the press since 1976. So where is she now ? Ms McGuire is still a very rich woman
 but she 38. in Hollywood any more. Twenty years ago she
 39. to a small village in the south of France where the sun always
 40. These days, she 41. a wonderful time with
 her husband on a cruise in the Aegean islands. Last month one of our reporters
 42. permission to publish Ms McGuire's biography. At the moment she
 43. about whether it is a good idea to have her life story published or
 not. She is a bit worried about having her pictures taken and printed in the newspapers because
 she believes that she 44. a lot.

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| 34. a) used to | b) uses to | c) is used to | d) is using |
| 35. a) is having | b) had | c) has had | d) will have |
| 36. a) had already died | b) is already dying | c) was already died | d) has already died |
| 37. a) hasn't given | b) didn't give | c) doesn't give | d) hadn't given |
| 38. a) wasn't living | b) doesn't live | c) hasn't been living | d) hasn't lived |
| 39. a) moved | b) was moving | c) has moved | d) had moved |
| 40. a) shined | b) is shining | c) shines | d) has shined |
| 41. a) has had | b) has | c) is having | d) does have |
| 42. a) asks | b) was asking | c) asked | d) has asked |
| 43. a) thinks | b) has thought | c) will think | d) is thinking |
| 44. a) has been changing | b) has changed | c) changed | d) had changed |

5. Some of the lines in the text below have a word which should not be there. If the line is correct put a tick into the box in your answer sheet. If the line has a word which should not be there, write that word in your answer sheet.

45. My home town is a small village in the southern Alps of France called
 46. Montpasse. In the past days most people were farmers but today people earn
 47. their living from tourism and small businesses. Montpasse is being a pretty
 48. town with an old castle and wonderful views of the mountains. The sun
 49. shines the most days, even in winter when the weather is perfect for skiing.
 50. It is a wonderful place how to grow up as a child. There are fields of corn
 51. where children can play and beautifully clear streams and rivers just outside
 52. the town where do you see fish jumping out of the water. On a hot summer's
 53. day the cool water of those streams and rivers is looking like an oasis. My
 54. favourite childhood memories are of such afternoons with my friends. The

55. winter sports are fantastic too and a pair of skis is all you need for hours of
56. fun. I haven't been back to my village for over a while but all I do is think
57. of home. I can taste the fresh air and feel out the gentle wind.
58. I am living in England often now because of my job. I would love to go home
59. this summer and spend long carefree days by the river. I have not the money;
60. it's a question of finding the time to get away. I suppose we all miss the place
61. we grew up in and we even want to go back some time.

READING

6. Read the text about Chinese New Year and choose the correct answer.

Chinese New Year

Chinese New Year (or generally referred to as Lunar New Year globally) is the Chinese festival that celebrates the beginning of a new year on the traditional Chinese calendar. The festival is usually referred to as the Spring Festival in mainland China, and is one of several Lunar New Years in Asia.

Celebrations traditionally take place from the evening preceding the first day of the year to the Lantern Festival, held on the 15th day of the year. The first day of Chinese New Year begins on the new moon that appears between 21 January and 20 February. In 2019, the first day of the Chinese New Year was on Tuesday, 5 February, initiating the Year of the Pig.

Chinese New Year is a major holiday in Greater China and has strongly influenced lunar new year celebrations of China's neighbouring cultures, including the Korean New Year (seol), the Tet of Vietnam, and the Losar of Tibet. It is also celebrated worldwide in regions and countries with significant Overseas Chinese populations, including Singapore, Indonesia, Malaysia, Myanmar, Thailand, Cambodia, the Philippines, and Mauritius, as well as many in North America and Europe.

Chinese New Year is associated with several myths and customs. The festival was traditionally a time to honour divinities as well as ancestors. Within China, regional customs and traditions concerning the celebration of the New Year vary widely, and the evening preceding Chinese New Year's Day is frequently regarded as an occasion for Chinese families to gather for the annual reunion dinner. It is also traditional for every family to thoroughly clean their house, in order to sweep away any ill-fortune and to make way for incoming good luck. Another custom is the decoration of windows and doors with red paper-cuts and two-line poems. Popular themes among these paper-cuts and two-line poems include that of good fortune or happiness, wealth, and longevity. Other activities include lighting firecrackers and giving money in red paper envelopes. For the northern regions of China, dumplings are featured prominently in meals celebrating the festival. It often serves as the first meal of the year.

62. The people in China call Chinese New Year...
- a) 'Chinese New Year'
 - b) 'Spring Festival'
 - c) 'Lantern Festival'.
63. The New Year in China begins...
- a) in January
 - b) in February
 - c) in January or February
64. The Korean New Year, the Tet of Vietnam, and the Losar of Tibet are...
- a) similar to Chinese New year.
 - b) very different from Chinese New year.
 - c) the celebration of Chinese New Year in different countries.
65. Chinese New Year...
- a) is celebrated in different ways depending on the region.
 - b) is a very religious celebration nowadays.
 - c) was celebrated with music in the past.
66. The Chinese clean their house...
- a) to decorate it.
 - b) to be happy.
 - c) to have good luck.
67. The text talks about traditions in the northern regions of China related to...
- a) parties.
 - b) food.
 - c) music

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7	More
8	Any
9	No
10	Service
11	Decision
12	Affordable
13	Requirements
14	Valuable
15	Truth
16	Useful
17	Comparison
18	No
19	Yes
20	No
21	No
22	No
23	No
24	No
25	No
26	No
27	Yes
28	No
29	Yes
30	Yes
31	Yes
32	No
33	Yes
34	A used to
35	B had
36	A had already died
37	A hasn't given
38	B doesn't live
39	A moved
40	C shines
41	C is having
42	C asked
43	D is thinking
44	B has changed
45	√
46	days
47	being
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56	over
57	out
58	living
59	not
60	√
61	even
62	B Spring Festival
63	C in January or February
64	A similar to Chinese New Year
65	A is celebrated in different ways depending....
66	C to have good luck
67	B food