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Items 1 – 4

Instructions:

1. Read the ads.
2. Choose the appropriate option to answer each question.
3. Mark the correct letter A, B, or C, on your answer sheet.

<p><b>1</b> <b>Robot Food Company Designers Wanted</b></p> <p><b>Our chain of restaurants is looking for someone who:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Got so much skill, it's falling out of your pockets?</li> <li>✓ Sick of working for an uninspiring agency?</li> <li>✓ Would rather be part of a smaller highly creative team?</li> </ul> <p><b>Send a brief portfolio and CV to: robot.food@gmail.com</b></p>	<p><b>2</b> <b>Senior Data Analyst Hiring!</b></p> <p>Here's your chance to shine! Join us for this great and interesting team. Work at your own pace from home.</p> <p><b>Send your résumé and portfolio at newcomp@domain.com</b></p> <p>Recent university graduates are welcome to apply for this post.</p>
<p><b>3</b> <b>Now Hiring Looking For a Job?</b></p> <p>Join our team. We work together. We love to serve the neighborhood and we want to help you grow. Sounds good?</p> <p>Check out the opportunities below and come join us.</p> <p><b>Different schedules, full-time and part-time positions for</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Product Manager</li> <li>✓ Warehouse Coordinator</li> <li>✓ Office Administrator</li> </ul>	<p><b>4</b> <b>Gas &amp; Chemical Industry We Are Hiring</b></p> <p><b>Open Position:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Credit Analyst</li> <li>• Business Development Executive</li> <li>• Commercial Executive</li> <li>• Engineer</li> </ul> <p><b>Apply Now</b></p> <p>Send your résumé: karotexrecruits@gmail.com</p>



- 1) What is the purpose of the ads?
  - A) To offer jobs in different fields
  - B) To create a database with candidates
  - C) To attract current workers to get training
  
- 2) What is one of the requisites to apply for the first job position?
  - A) It is to be a skillful professional.
  - B) It is to know about robot design.
  - C) It is to have experience with big companies.
  
- 3) What type of candidate does the second post require?
  - A) A creative and inspiring candidate
  - B) A candidate able to work with others
  - C) A professional in processing information
  
- 4) Which post offers different shifts for the candidates?
  - A) Now Hiring
  - B) Senior Data Analyst
  - C) Gas and Chemical Industry



## Items 5 – 8

### Instructions:

1. Read the email.
2. Choose the appropriate option to answer each question.
3. Mark the correct letter A, B, or C, on your answer sheet.

**To:** mark20@gmail.com  
**From:** erickcastrom@hotmail.com  
**Subject:** Important information

Hi Mark!

I want to tell you about my experience as a worker in Costa Rica! To begin with, as you know, I am a computer engineer, and I have a master's degree in education. Therefore, I have been working as a teacher at an institution in a beautiful city called Heredia for three years. I teach Excel, Word, and PowerPoint, among other kinds of software. So, I work in both fields in some way, computing, and education. I worked as a teacher in the U.S.A. for two years, from now I can say that I have been working as a teacher for five years. That's a lot of time.

It is easy to work in Costa Rica if you have the legal status. You can find many job opportunities in San José, the capital. In my case, I found my job opportunity through an ad from a company that was looking for a professional in education. My boss told me that they are accepting offers; you can apply at any time. I know you also have a degree in Education.

I would like to tell you that one of my bad experiences, working as a teacher, is related to the lack of punctuality from my students, but they have been working hard to do their best. So, if you decide to come here, contact me soon, and I will refer you to the manager, because as I already told you, most of the time, they need professionals like you.

Keep in touch!

Sincerely, Erick



- 5) What is Erick doing in the email?
- A) Applying for a job position.
  - B) Hiring a person for his company in Costa Rica.
  - C) Describing his experience as a worker in Costa Rica.
- 6) What is Erick's current position?
- A) English teacher
  - B) Computer engineer
  - C) Computer science teacher
- 7) How long has Erick been working in his current job?
- A) For five years
  - B) For three years
  - C) No more than two years
- 8) What does Erick mention about his current workplace?
- A) It is strict with punctuality.
  - B) It is not hiring personnel now.
  - C) It requires experienced personnel.

## Items 9 – 12

### Instructions:

1. Read the movie review.
2. Choose the appropriate option to answer each question.
3. Mark the correct letter A, B, or C, on your answer sheet.

### The Bad Guys

**Genre:** Action/Adventure, Animated

**Release Date:** Friday, April 22, 2022

**Overview:** After years of being the world’s most-wanted villains and threatening others, the gang is finally caught. Mr. Wolf makes a deal (that he has no intention of keeping) to save them all from prison: The Bad Guys will go well. The Bad Guys set out to fool the world that they have been transforming. Along the way, though, Mr. Wolf begins to suspect that doing good for real may give him what he’s always secretly longed for: acceptance. So, when a new villain threatens the city, can Mr. Wolf persuade the rest of the gang to become ... The Good Guys?



### Reviews:

**Posted by @Ale20:** You and your kids will enjoy it. I give it ☆☆☆☆☆

**Posted by @Stephanie:** We loved it. I already want to preorder it or go watch it again!!!  
☆☆☆☆☆

**Posted by @Matt C:** Fun and entertaining. I liked it ☆☆☆☆☆

**Posted by @Nic:** Awesome movie for the whole family. Made for kids, but I laughed my head off, I couldn’t stop laughing. I loved it. ☆☆☆☆☆

**Posted by @Mr. Hollywood:** I took both of my little brothers, and they loved it. They were intrigued for every little second wanting to see what would happen next. One of my brothers even cried because of the emotional aspect. This is a good family movie and would take my brothers or even myself to watch it again. I give it ☆☆☆☆☆



- 9) What did the Bad Guys do for a long time?
- A) They threatened people.
  - B) They saved villains from prison.
  - C) They persuaded Mr. Wolf to be a good guy.
- 10) What does @Nic mean when he writes “*I laughed my head off*” in his post?
- A) He considers the movie funny.
  - B) He thinks the movie is just for kids.
  - C) He means the movie was not entertaining.
- 11) How do @Ale20 and @Mr. Hollywood agree with the movie?
- A) They think that it is an emotional movie.
  - B) They think that it is a bad movie for kids.
  - C) They think that the movie is perfect to watch with your family.
- 12) What can be inferred from the posts?
- A) The movie is not appropriate for families.
  - B) The movie is really entertaining and funny.
  - C) The reviewers recommend the movie just for kids.

**Items 13 – 17****Instructions:**

1. Read the movie review.
2. Choose the appropriate option to answer each question.
3. Mark the correct letter A, B, or C, on your answer sheet.

**Film Review****The Theory of Everything Biographical drama**

It centers on the life of scientist Stephen Hawking. The movie is based on the book, "Traveling to Infinity: My Life with Stephen" by his wife, Jane Wilde Hawking. It is set in England and starts in the early 1960s. It tells the story of Hawking's relationship with Jane, the diagnosis of his motor neuron disease and his success as a physicist.



What I loved the most was the acting of Mr. and Mrs. Hawking; the main actors were amazing. Eddie Redmayne stars as Hawking and Felicity Jones plays the role of Jane. My favorite character is Stephen Hawking because he is very clever and brave. I think this is an ideal film for people who like true stories. Because it presents true events, the film is very touching, I mean it makes you feel different emotions while you are watching it. It is a bit sad at times, but the story is very interesting and there is a lot of action. I give The Theory of Everything ★★★★★Fantastic!

Eduardo Mora

Posted April 20, 2022

- 13) What is the movie mainly about?
- A) It is about Mr. Hawking's life.
  - B) It is about the love between Jane and Eddie.
  - C) It describes the achievements of Mrs. Hawking.





- 14) What does the reviewer mean when he writes, “The film is very touching”?
- A) It is an emotional movie.
  - B) The movie is not interesting.
  - C) He considers the movie funny.
- 15) What can be inferred from the reviewer’s opinion?
- A) He enjoyed the movie.
  - B) He thinks the movie was a real failure.
  - C) He considers the movie was not entertaining.
- 16) What did Eduardo like the most about the movie?
- A) Only the role of Mrs. Hawking.
  - B) The fact that it was a drama movie.
  - C) The performance of the main characters.
- 17) What can be inferred from the movie review? The movie is for people who \_\_\_\_\_.
- A) dislike drama
  - B) love funny movies
  - C) like life-based stories

## Items 18 – 22

### Instructions:

1. Read the blog.
2. Choose the appropriate option to answer each question.
3. Mark the correct letter A, B, or C, on your answer sheet.

### What Surprised Me About Living in Costa Rica?

By Sammi and Yeison

If anyone ever told you that living in Costa Rica would be a magical experience, take it lightly. Yes, living in Costa Rica is awesome. However, when moving abroad, you must come with an open mind. Be willing to be tested and put in tough situations at times. We must admit that our experience in Costa Rica was amazing,



so we would like to share it with you. These are some things that we found interesting here.

- **Costa Rica is a large melting pot:** You can find people from all over the world. We've met many Costa Rican-Italians, Costa Rican-Russians, and Costa Rican-Chinese. And if you're born in Costa Rica, you're a Tico or Tica. That's it.
- **Kindness of Costa Ricans:** In some countries, if you are an immigrant or foreigner and if you don't speak the language very well, people are rude. So, imagine our surprise when we first moved down and how incredibly nice people were when we tried to practice Spanish with them. Nobody ever made fun of me, nobody ever told us to go back home. Instead, they patiently listened, gently corrected our mistakes. After some time living here, we had lots of friends.
- **Culture Shock:** It probably helped that we visited quite a few times before we moved here, so we had an idea of what things were like. Besides the language, the rest of the culture shock was not as intense as we thought it would be. This time, we already had amazing support and experience which was more than anything we could ever ask for! Would we live in Costa Rica again? Sure.





- 18) What is the main intention of the blog?
- A) To share a personal experience
  - B) To describe the way Costa Ricans live
  - C) To persuade ex-pats to move to Costa Rica
- 19) What interesting fact caught the bloggers' attention?
- A) Locals are nice to foreigners.
  - B) Locals love talking in foreign languages.
  - C) Costa Ricans are distant from foreigners.
- 20) What was the most remarkable cultural problem that the bloggers faced?
- A) Speaking the language
  - B) Dealing with rude people
  - C) Interacting with foreigners
- 21) What is one of Costa Ricans' features that the bloggers mentioned?
- A) Kindness
  - B) Rudeness
  - C) Impoliteness
- 22) What do the bloggers mention about their experience living in Costa Rica?
- A) They wouldn't repeat their experience.
  - B) They loved the time they spent in the country.
  - C) They wouldn't recommend tourists to visit the country.

**Items 23 – 27****Instructions:**

1. Read the website.
2. Choose the appropriate option to answer each question.
3. Mark the correct letter A, B, or C, on your answer sheet.

**The Ara Project****Become a Fan.****Follow Us.****Subscribe To YouTube.**

The ARA Project is a Costa Rican licensed zoological park and non-profit organization dedicated mainly to the conservation of the two native macaw species of Costa Rica: the endangered Great Green Macaw (*Ara ambiguous*) and the Scarlet Macaw (*Ara Macao*). The project operates a breeding and reintroduction project. Visitors and tourists are also welcome to visit the park.

**Volunteering with us?**

The breeding center is where the breeding stock is kept and where the captive bred macaws are kept until they move on to a release site.

It is possible to volunteer at the center combined with an internship; the ARA Project can provide appropriate supervision and an evaluation reference. Responsibilities include:

- Feeding macaws
- Maintaining aviaries (mostly cleaning)
- Observing behavior
- Environmental enrichment
- Maintaining grounds around the breeding center
- Conservation education (Knowledge in biology not required)



**Schedule:** six days a week. Work hours between 7:00 AM and 5:30 PM.

**For more details or questions visit us on Facebook, Twitter, or YouTube**



- 23) What is the main purpose of the information?
- A) To educate people on biology.
  - B) To show the importance of preserving any bird.
  - C) To motivate people to work for free on the ARA project.
- 24) Who is invited to participate in the project?
- A) Teachers
  - B) Volunteers
  - C) Conservationists
- 25) What is the main objective of the center?
- A) To preserve the macaws
  - B) To educate tourists and visitors
  - C) To protect three different types of birds
- 26) What is one of the requisites to volunteer at the center?
- A) To work full time
  - B) To be a foreigner
  - C) To know bird carving
- 27) How can people get more information about the project?
- A) By visiting the project
  - B) By asking at the center
  - C) By checking on the Internet

**Items 28 – 31****Instructions:**

1. Read the blog.
2. Choose the appropriate option to answer each question.
3. Mark the correct letter A, B, or C, on your answer sheet.

**What Do You Think We Will Be Doing**

When we think about 2050 it seems like it is ages from now and we imagine a completely different world, but it is just 27 years from now and we can already know what will be possible to have by that time. What do you think the future technology would be like? Write down your comments:

**Comments:**

**Posted by @Irina22:** I believe that by 2050, nanobots will plug our brains straight into the cloud. It will give us full immersion in virtual reality from within the nervous system. Just like we do with our smartphones, we will be able to do it with our brains. And forget about memory problems, evidence problems, etc.

**Posted by @Smartguy:** I guess space tourism could be feasible in 2050, but likely only for the very wealthy. Rocket companies like Jeff Bezos's Blue Origin and Elon Musk's SpaceX will push the envelope with space travel, so that tourism will be feasible in the year 2050.

**Posted by @Newton20:** Self-driving will be possible. Despite the crashes involving self-driving cars that have hit the headlines these years, this area could dramatically reduce deaths and injuries on our roads.

**Posted by @Inicole30:** I believe that we will be able to charge our iPhone with the power of a plant. Forests can become the energy stations of the future. Now it is becoming possible; for example, Bioo is a clean-tech company capable of generating electricity from plant's photosynthesis.



- 28) What are the comments about?
- A) Technological discoveries
  - B) Today's technological advances
  - C) Future predictions in technology
- 29) What does @Newton20 think about self-driving cars in the future?
- A) It will be a good option.
  - B) There would be more accidents.
  - C) It will be more dangerous than today.
- 30) Who writes about future sources of energy?
- A) @Irina22
  - B) @Inicole30
  - C) @Newton20
- 31) What is @Smartguy's prediction for the year 2050?
- A) Rocket companies will be widely available.
  - B) Space tourism would be possible for rich people.
  - C) Space tourism would be popular among people.

**Items 32 – 35****Instructions:**

1. Read the information.
2. Choose the appropriate option to answer each question.
3. Mark the correct letter A, B, or C on your answer sheet.

### How Does Zoom Work?

Zoom is an online audio and web conferencing platform. People use it to make phone calls or to participate in video conference meetings. You don't need a paid subscription to start using Zoom. You'll need to click a link to install the Zoom app, and then enter the conference code to sign into the meeting to which you've been invited.



### What To Do?

To start your own Zoom Meeting, you'll need an account, which you can create for free. Go to the Zoom Web site, click Sign Up, and follow the instructions. Once completed, you'll be able to start your meetings.

Zoom offers several plans. Basic is free and lets you host meetings with up to 100 participants, with a limit of 40 minutes per meeting. You can also have an unlimited number of one-on-one meetings. All these meetings can be audio-only or video conferences.

Even for the free account, during the meeting, you can record and save your meetings, share your desktop with the meeting attendees, and use chat tools.



If the generous features of the free Basic plan are not enough, it's possible to pay for Zoom Pro, Zoom Business, or Zoom Enterprise. Each of these plans adds substantial additional features, like the ability to conference more than 100 people at a time and extend the meeting duration past 40 minutes (in fact, a meeting can be up to 24 hours long).



- 32) What is the first step to starting your platform meeting?
- A) To open an account.
  - B) To receive an invitation.
  - C) To pay for a subscription.
- 33) What do participants need to do before taking part in a conference?
- A) To wait for a call.
  - B) To make a phone call.
  - C) Click on a link and enter a code.
- 34) When is it necessary to pay for a fee?
- A) In case users want to access the Basic plan
  - B) In case users meet with more than 100 people
  - C) In case users need to have a 40-minute conference
- 35) What does the Basic plan allow users to do?
- A) To hold 40-minute meetings.
  - B) To have meetings with more than 100 participants.
  - C) To take part in a conference with more than 100 people.

**Items 36 – 40**

**Instructions:**

1. Read the email.
2. Choose the appropriate option to answer each question.
3. Mark the correct letter A, B, or C on your answer sheet.

<b>From:</b> jonathan17@gmail.com
<b>To:</b> javier25@mail.com
<b>Subject:</b> Future Plans
<p>Hi Javier! How are things going in Canada? In your last email, you asked about my plans. Well, that's a little bit hard. Just after I graduate from high school, there are different things I want to do and accomplish in my life. My future goals aren't much different than the average person, but it will still take a lot of hard work to get to where I want to be.</p> <p>Even though I have not finished setting my goals and aspirations, I can say that the two most important priorities are to be happy and successful. I want to be happy because even if I become rich or famous, if I am not happy in life, nothing else will matter. Success for me is simply doing something that I've always wanted to do.</p> <p>First, I want to attend college and law school. My parents had the opportunity to study medicine and engineering, so I would like to go to college too. After working for a few years, I plan to settle down, get married, and have children. I want a career, and I want to raise a family, too.</p> <p>I am not sure if this is the way I want my life to be. Life tends to change directions very often. What I plan to do now might not be what I want to do in a few years. Well, my friend, I hope to write you soon.</p> <p>I'm looking forward to hearing from you, Jonathan</p>

- 36) What is Jonathan doing in the email?
- A) Describing his current plans
  - B) Describing his future with his family
  - C) Talking about what he wants in the future
- 37) What does Jonathan plan to do right after finishing high school?
- A) He is not sure yet.
  - B) He wants to get married.
  - C) He plans to study medicine.
- 38) What does Jonathan want to be in the future?
- A) A doctor
  - B) A lawyer
  - C) An engineer
- 39) How does Jonathan describe success?
- A) Doing what a person likes.
  - B) Going to college and graduating.
  - C) Getting married and having children.
- 40) What does Jonathan plan to do after working for a few years?
- A) To study another career.
  - B) To become a successful lawyer.
  - C) To settle down and have a family.

## Items 41 – 45

### Instructions:

1. Read the text.
2. Choose the appropriate option to answer each question.
3. Mark the correct letter A, B, or C on your answer sheet.

### Key To Success

Many people wonder how they can become successful, not realizing that they hold within them everything they need to achieve all the success they desire. Creating good habits and adopting positive behavior can help you become successful and live a prosperous life. Here are some habits you can implement in your daily life.



**1. Goal-Oriented:** The first habit is to become goal-oriented. You need to be a habitual goal-setter and dedicate yourself to working from clear, written goals every day of your life, forming daily habits. Highly successful people know exactly what they want.

**2. Health Conscious:** The second habit that highly successful people develop is health consciousness. This does not mean that you must fastidiously watch your diet. You can also exercise on a regular basis and have good habits of rest and recreation that enable you to live out your years in a healthy state.



**3. Honest:** The third habit is to be honest and have integrity. Honesty means that you practice the “reality principle” in everything you do. You are completely objective with yourself and with the world around you. You set very clear values for yourself and you organize yourself around your values. You never compromise your integrity or peace of mind for anyone or anything.

**4. Self-Disciplined:** The last habit, and the one that guarantees all the others, is that of self-discipline. Your ability to discipline yourself, to master yourself, to control yourself, is the most important single quality that you can develop as a person. The habit of self-discipline goes hand in hand with success in every area of life.



- 41) What does the text suggest about success?
- A) Success is hard to achieve.
  - B) Some habits accompany success.
  - C) Daily exercise is the base of success.
- 42) What is a characteristic of successful people?
- A) They have good habits.
  - B) They exercise every day.
  - C) They do not have any habits.
- 43) From the habits above, which is considered the most important one?
- A) Being honest
  - B) Being goal-oriented
  - C) Being self-disciplined
- 44) What does “*Goal-oriented*” mean?
- A) To control yourself.
  - B) To have clear plans.
  - C) To have good eating habits.
- 45) What does the second habit deal with?
- A) Having a healthy lifestyle.
  - B) Having a strict exercise routine.
  - C) Being obsessed with your eating habits.

**Items 46 – 50****Instructions:**

1. Read the text.
2. Choose the appropriate option to answer each question.
3. Mark the correct letter A, B, or C on your answer sheet.

**A Passion for Reggae**

Robert “Bob” Nesta Marley is the greatest ever reggae singer. He mainly **spread** his message of love and unity to a worldwide audience through reggae. His live performances were legendary for his passion and energy.

Marley was born in 1945 in a small village in Jamaica to a white father and a black mother. The racist bullying he received as a child had an important impact on his songwriting. He left school at the age of 14 to make music. He met members of his future band The Wailers at a jam session. It took several years before they became famous.

The Wailers' first album “Catch a Fire” was released in 1973 and sold well. Another album followed a year later that included the song “I Shot The Sheriff”. Eric Clapton’s cover of the song in 1974 brought Marley a lot of global attention. In 1975, Marley released his breakthrough song “No Woman, No Cry”, still regarded as a classic today.

Marley left Jamaica for England in 1976 to record his “Exodus” and “Kaya” albums. He toured the world and performed to campaign against apartheid in South Africa and to celebrate Zimbabwe’s independence. He died of cancer in 1981, aged 36. He was given a state funeral in Jamaica according to the Rastafari tradition. He continues to be an important influence on today’s music.



- 46) What is the text about?
- A) It is the story of Bob Marley's life.
  - B) It is Bob Marley's childhood memories.
  - C) The obstacles Bob Marley had to become a singer.
- 47) What does the word "spread" mean in the article?
- A) To send
  - B) To prefer
  - C) To receive
- 48) Where did Bob Marley get the inspiration to write his songs from?
- A) He wrote about personal love experiences.
  - B) His inspiration came from Rastafari traditions.
  - C) He considered personal racist experiences as a kid.
- 49) What was The Wailers' first production?
- A) Catch A Fire
  - B) I Shot The Sheriff
  - C) No Woman, No Cry
- 50) What was Bob Marley's main theme in his music?
- A) Racism
  - B) Independence
  - C) Love and union

**Items 51 – 55****Instructions:**

1. Read the information.
2. Choose the appropriate option to answer each question.
3. Mark the correct letter A, B, or C on your answer sheet.

**What Is Yelp and How Does It Work?**

**What Is Yelp?** It is a popular online directory for discovering local businesses ranging from bars, restaurants, and cafes to hairdressers, spas, and gas stations.



**How Does Yelp Work?** You can search Yelp via its website or with the official apps on iOS and Android smart devices. Listings are sorted by business type and results are filtered by geographical location, price range, and unique features like outdoor seating, delivery service, or the ability to accept reservations.

**How to Write a Review on the Yelp Website?**

- ✓ Search for the name of the business you want to review via the search bar and select it.
- ✓ Select *Write a Review*.
- ✓ You should see five-star icons. Select them to rate the business out of five stars.
- ✓ Type your review. You can view other recent reviews of this business on the right-hand side.
- ✓ You can change your star rating at any time on the screen by tapping on the star icons.
- ✓ Select *Upload* if you want to attach an image to your review.
- ✓ Drag and drop your image into the box or select *Browse* to locate the image. Type a short description of its content.
- ✓ Feel free to make any final changes to your review. You can also add more photos by repeating the above steps.
- ✓ When you're ready, select *Post Review*.



- 51) What is the application for?
- A) It's to give directions.
  - B) It's to offer an online delivery service.
  - C) It's to find different kinds of businesses.
- 52) What does the app allow users to do?
- A) To pay online
  - B) To order online
  - C) To rate places you visit
- 53) What is the first step if you want to write down a review?
- A) To click on *Write a Review*.
  - B) To select the kind of review.
  - C) To look for the name of the place.
- 54) How can clients get details about a business on the app?
- A) By reading the posts of other clients.
  - B) By contacting the business directly on the app.
  - C) By ranging other clients on the app to get more information.
- 55) What is the last step once you finish your comment?
- A) To select *Browse*
  - B) To select *Post Review*
  - C) To click on *Write a Review*

**Items 56 – 60****Instructions:**

1. Read the text.
2. Choose the appropriate option to answer each question.
3. Mark the correct letter A, B, or C on your answer sheet.

**Do You Know What a Tsunami Is?**

Tsunami waves are larger and faster than normal surface waves. A tsunami wave can travel as fast as a jet plane and can be as tall as a ten-story building. Imagine dropping a stone into a pond. The water on the surface ripples. A tsunami is like a very powerful ripple. Tsunamis begin when the ocean rises or falls very suddenly. Large amounts of seawater are displaced. This movement causes huge waves.

For a tsunami to occur, there must be some kind of force that causes the ocean water to become displaced. Most tsunamis are caused by underwater earthquakes. However, rarely volcanoes, landslides, large icebergs, and even meteorites can cause one of these mighty waves. Tsunamis are extremely powerful. Ordinary waves lose power when they break. Tsunami waves can remain powerful for several days.

Because tsunami waves are so strong, they can kill people, damage property, and completely ruin an ecosystem in just one hour. Scientists have no way of predicting when a tsunami will hit. However, if a powerful enough earthquake occurs, scientists can issue a warning or a watch. A warning means that a tsunami will very likely hit soon. A watch means that conditions are favorable for a tsunami. When people are notified about a watch or a warning, they have more time to prepare. It is best not to get caught unaware when a tsunami is on the way.



- 56) What does the text mostly talk about?
- A) Types of tsunami waves
  - B) How to be ready for a tsunami
  - C) Causes and effects of tsunamis
- 57) What is suggested about tsunamis?
- A) They are unpredictable.
  - B) They always happen after an earthquake.
  - C) They are mainly caused by volcano eruptions.
- 58) What does it mean when a specialist issues a warning?
- A) There is a high risk of a tsunami.
  - B) A wave is not hitting the coast soon.
  - C) The conditions are favorable for a tsunami.
- 59) What is a characteristic of a tsunami?
- A) Their waves run very fast.
  - B) They are easily predictable.
  - C) Their waves run at a slow pace.
- 60) What can mainly cause a tsunami?
- A) A landslide
  - B) A meteorite
  - C) An underwater earthquake

**Items 61 – 65****Instructions:**

1. Read the text.
2. Choose the appropriate option to answer each question.
3. Mark the correct letter A, B, or C on your answer sheet.

In the minutes, hours, and days following a disaster, people are dealing with a wide range of physical and emotional stress. They may be in physical distress due to injuries sustained during the disaster. They may also be feeling a deep emotional stress brought on by the loss of property, control over their lives, and in some cases, the loss of loved ones. People are also often concerned about “what’s next” following a disaster, especially if their homes are damaged. Try to stay calm and do not get desperate. If you experience a disaster, the following tips will help you manage the situation.



- First, make sure you, your family members, and pets are safe. If family members are missing, seek help from first responders. Never try to seek the person by yourself. It would worsen the situation.
- Make sure everyone takes their essential and financial documents.
- Attend to physical injuries and emotional distress.
- Take photos of the damage.
- If you can, remove valuable items that cannot be secured in your home. Get these to the home of a friend or family member outside of the disaster area, if possible. If you can still live in your home but require some critical repairs, contact your insurance agent. Be sure to take photos before the work is started. Save all receipts related to the repair for your claim.
- If you do not have money to afford a place to stay or do not have insurance, go to a local community shelter. Churches and schools are often converted into shelters following a disaster. Staying in these shelters is at no cost to you.

- 61) What could be an appropriate title for the text?
- A) Suggestions to follow a disaster.
  - B) How to react in case of an emergency.
  - C) Best ways to respond during a disaster.
- 62) What is the first thing you have to do following a disaster?
- A) Call the authorities.
  - B) Contact the first responders.
  - C) Be sure your relatives are fine.
- 63) What does the passage suggest that you do in case there is a missing person?
- A) Contact the first responders.
  - B) Try to find the person by yourself.
  - C) Stay calm and wait for the authorities.
- 64) Who do you need to contact if your house is seriously damaged?
- A) A community helper
  - B) The insurance agent
  - C) The corresponding authorities
- 65) What can someone do in case paying for a shelter is difficult for them?
- A) Contact an insurance agent.
  - B) Wait for help from the authorities.
  - C) Look for a local community shelter.

**Items 66 – 70****Instructions:**

1. Read the email.
2. Choose the appropriate option to answer each question.
3. Mark the correct letter A, B, or C on your answer sheet.

**From:** leo2004@gmail.com

**To:** sergiocampos@mail.com

**Subject:** Some help!

Dear Sergio,

I hope you are doing well and thank you for writing to me. You asked for my advice regarding the next step you should take, either to join college or to look for a job. I would suggest that you should gain some work experience before starting higher education.

I think that getting a job is a better idea for you as it would expose you to the business world which you can use in your education since you are interested in studying business administration.

I joined the university to study psychology just after finishing high school, but I couldn't get any job experience in my field which I often regret. I believe you should not make the same mistake and instead take the opportunity to gain some important skills such as delegating tasks, managing time, meeting deadlines, and working in a team. Moreover, it will open doors for better job opportunities in the future.

I feel you should work in a large retail shop as a salesperson or perhaps join a small company that serves customers directly. I hope my suggestion will help you decide what is best for you.

Warm regards,

Leonardo

- 66) What is the purpose of the email?
- A) To advise a friend.
  - B) To offer a job position.
  - C) To motivate someone to continue with his studies.
- 67) What did Leonardo do right after finishing high school?
- A) He went to university.
  - B) He started working in a small company.
  - C) Leonardo decided to study business administration.
- 68) What does Sergio plan to study?
- A) Education
  - B) Psychology
  - C) Business administration
- 69) What is something Leonardo regrets?
- A) Choosing the wrong career.
  - B) Studying business administration.
  - C) Not getting work experience before going to college.
- 70) What is Leonardo's suggestion for Sergio? That he \_\_\_\_\_.
- A) studies a career related to psychology
  - B) goes to college right after finishing high school
  - C) gets some work experience before going to college

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5	C	25	A	45	A	65	C
6	C	26	A	46	A	66	A
7	B	27	C	47	A	67	A
8	C	28	C	48	C	68	C
9	A	29	A	49	A	69	C
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18	A	38	B	58	A		
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