

## UNITS 1–4

**Choose the correct answer to complete each sentence.**

1. Tom works at a \_\_\_\_\_. He cleans the tables after customers leave.
- a. reason
  - b. restaurant

ANSWER: b

POINTS: 1

2. I really enjoy my job, but I don't \_\_\_\_\_ a lot of money.
- a. earn
  - b. climb

ANSWER: a

POINTS: 1

3. Today, many people use \_\_\_\_\_ on their phones to find places.
- a. maps
  - b. faces

ANSWER: a

POINTS: 1

4. Look at this photo! Is it \_\_\_\_\_, or did someone change it with a computer?
- a. real
  - b. interested in

ANSWER: a

POINTS: 1

5. China is a very big \_\_\_\_\_. More than one billion people live there!
- a. company
  - b. country

ANSWER: b

POINTS: 1

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6. If something is popular, \_\_\_\_\_ like it.
- a. no people
  - b. many people

ANSWER: b

POINTS: 1

7. Classes at the university are expensive. They \_\_\_\_\_!
- a. cost a lot of money
  - b. don't cost very much

ANSWER: a

POINTS: 1

8. Jessica always brings a camera out with her. She \_\_\_\_\_ forgets it at home.
- a. never
  - b. usually

ANSWER: a

POINTS: 1

9. Chris Burkard has had a lot of success as a photographer. He has done \_\_\_\_\_ in his job.
- a. very badly
  - b. very well

ANSWER: b

POINTS: 1

10. Your childhood is the time when you \_\_\_\_\_.
- a. are very old
  - b. are very young

ANSWER: b

POINTS: 1

**Complete each sentence with the superlative form of the adjective in parentheses.**

11. Edward was \_\_\_\_\_ (smart) student in his class. He always got the highest grades.

ANSWER: the smartest

POINTS: 1

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12. My family's health and happiness are \_\_\_\_\_ **(important)** things to me.

ANSWER: the most important

POINTS: 1

13. I saw \_\_\_\_\_ **(strange)** photo online yesterday. It was of an elephant standing on a bicycle!

ANSWER: the strangest

POINTS: 1

**Match the synonyms.**

- |                   |   |            |
|-------------------|---|------------|
| 14. clever (adj)  | ● | ● a. photo |
| 15. picture (n)   | ● | ● b. smart |
| 16. unhappy (adj) | ● | ● c. begin |
| 17. start (v)     | ● | ● d. sad   |

ANSWERS: 14. b, 15. a, 16. d, 17. c

POINTS: 4

**Choose the correct answer to complete each sentence.**

18. The students are going on a \_\_\_\_\_ to an art museum.
- a. field trip
  - b. fishing trip

ANSWER: a

POINTS: 1

19. There's a beautiful park \_\_\_\_\_ the street. Let's have a picnic there!
- a. between
  - b. across

ANSWER: b

POINTS: 1

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20. OK everyone, please stand in front of the tree and smile. I'm going to \_\_\_\_\_ a photo of you!
- a. read
  - b. take

ANSWER: b

POINTS: 1

**Read the passage.****Real Photos, Fake News**

- A** Everybody likes happy stories, especially about cute animals. You can find thousands of them online! In 2020, there were several posts about animals in Venice, Italy that became very popular. People shared them on social media again and again. But there was a problem with these posts—they weren't real.
- B** One post showed a photo of swans floating in water. The post said that the beautiful white birds were returning to Venice's canals because there were fewer people in the city during the COVID-19<sup>1</sup> pandemic. This was a nice idea, but it wasn't true. The swans were not "returning" to the city because they never left! Swans regularly swim in Venice's canals.
- C** Another post showed a video of dolphins swimming near a city center. The post said, "Venice hasn't seen clear canal water in a very long time. Dolphins showing up<sup>2</sup> too." But the video was not from Venice. It was from the island of Sardinia, which is over a hundred miles away from Venice. It was true that the water in Venice's canals became clearer during the pandemic, but dolphins never swam through them.
- D** So why did people post false stories like these? The person who made the post about the swans did not know that she was wrong. When she learned that swans always swim in Venice's canals, she did not delete her post. It was the most popular post that she ever made! The people who posted these stories probably didn't want to cause any problems. They just wanted to share something happy with the world.

<sup>1</sup> **COVID-19:** coronavirus disease 2019<sup>2</sup> **to show up:** to come or to arrive**Choose the correct answers.**

21. What is the main idea of the reading passage?
- a. People posted stories about animals in Venice's canals that were not true.
  - b. There are more animals in Venice today because of the COVID-19 pandemic.

ANSWER: a

POINTS: 1

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22. Choose the best alternative title for the reading passage.
- a. The Best Time to Visit Venice, Italy
  - b. Don't Believe Everything You Read About Online

ANSWER: b

POINTS: 1

23. Do swans or dolphins normally swim in the canals of Venice?
- a. swans
  - b. dolphins

ANSWER: a

POINTS: 1

24. When were the posts put online?
- a. 2019
  - b. 2020

ANSWER: b

POINTS: 1

25. Did the person who posted the story about the swans in Venice delete her post?
- a. Yes
  - b. No

ANSWER: b

POINTS: 1

**Look at the bold words from Paragraph B of the reading passage. Use context—the words around the word—to choose the correct definition.**

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A swan is \_\_\_\_\_.

- a. a small boat that is used in Italy
- b. a kind of bird that lives near water

ANSWER: b

POINTS: 1

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- b. a place where people sleep when they visit another city

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**Match the main ideas to the correct paragraph.**

- |  |   |                  |
|--|---|------------------|
| 28. There was a post with false information about swans in Venice.     | ● | ● a. Paragraph D |
| 29. Someone said dolphins were swimming in Venice, but it wasn't true. | ● | ● b. Paragraph C |
| 30. People post stories online to be popular and to share happy news.  | ● | ● c. Paragraph B |

ANSWERS: 28. c, 29. b, 30. a

POINTS: 3

**Put the words in the correct order to make a sentence.**

31. social media site / is / a very popular / YouTube /.

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ANSWER: YouTube is a very popular social media site.

POINTS: 1

**Match the sentence parts.**

- |  |   |                                     |
|--|---|-------------------------------------|
| 32. To keep in touch with friends and family,        | ● | ● a. or by instant message?         |
| 33. Do you want me to send you the photo in an email | ● | ● b. to take photos.                |
| 34. A lot of my friends use TikTok,                  | ● | ● c. people often use social media. |
| 35. I use the camera on my smartphone                | ● | ● d. but I never use it.            |

ANSWERS: 32. c, 33. a, 34. d, 35. b

POINTS: 4

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**Choose the correct word to complete each sentence.**

36. Lisa's favorite app \_\_\_\_\_ WeChat.

- a. is
- b. am
- c. are

ANSWER: a

POINTS: 1

37. I \_\_\_\_\_ a student.

- a. is
- b. am
- c. are

ANSWER: b

POINTS: 1

38. My friends and I love Snapchat. We \_\_\_\_\_ on Snapchat every day!

- a. is
- b. am
- c. are

ANSWER: c

POINTS: 1

39. My sister really \_\_\_\_\_ Instagram. She uses it a lot!

- a. like
- b. likes

ANSWER: b

POINTS: 1

40. People in many countries \_\_\_\_\_ social media. They spend a lot of time online.

- a. enjoy
- b. enjoys

ANSWER: a

POINTS: 1



**You are going to write sentences on the following topic.**

41. **Write about a trip you and your friend are going on.**

**Topic 1:** What should you bring on your trip and why?

**Topic 2:** What activities should you do and why?

**A. OUTLINE**

**Plan an outline for your sentences.**

Start by talking about the place you are going to visit.

Say when you plan to go there and add details, e.g. For how long?

Say what you should bring or what you should do on your trip, and why.

**B. Think of some words and phrases you can use in your sentences. Write them in the box.**

The words and phrases below can be useful when writing about things to bring or do on a trip.

- *We plan to ...*
- *We will go there for ... days.*
- *We should bring ...*
- *We should ... to ...*
- *We should ... or/and ...*

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- C. Write your sentences based on your outline. Use the model to help you. Remember to use the vocabulary you wrote down.**

**Model:**

*We are taking a trip to Alaska.*

*We plan to go there in June during the summer.*

*We will go there for eight days.*

*We should bring a waterproof jacket to stay warm and dry.*

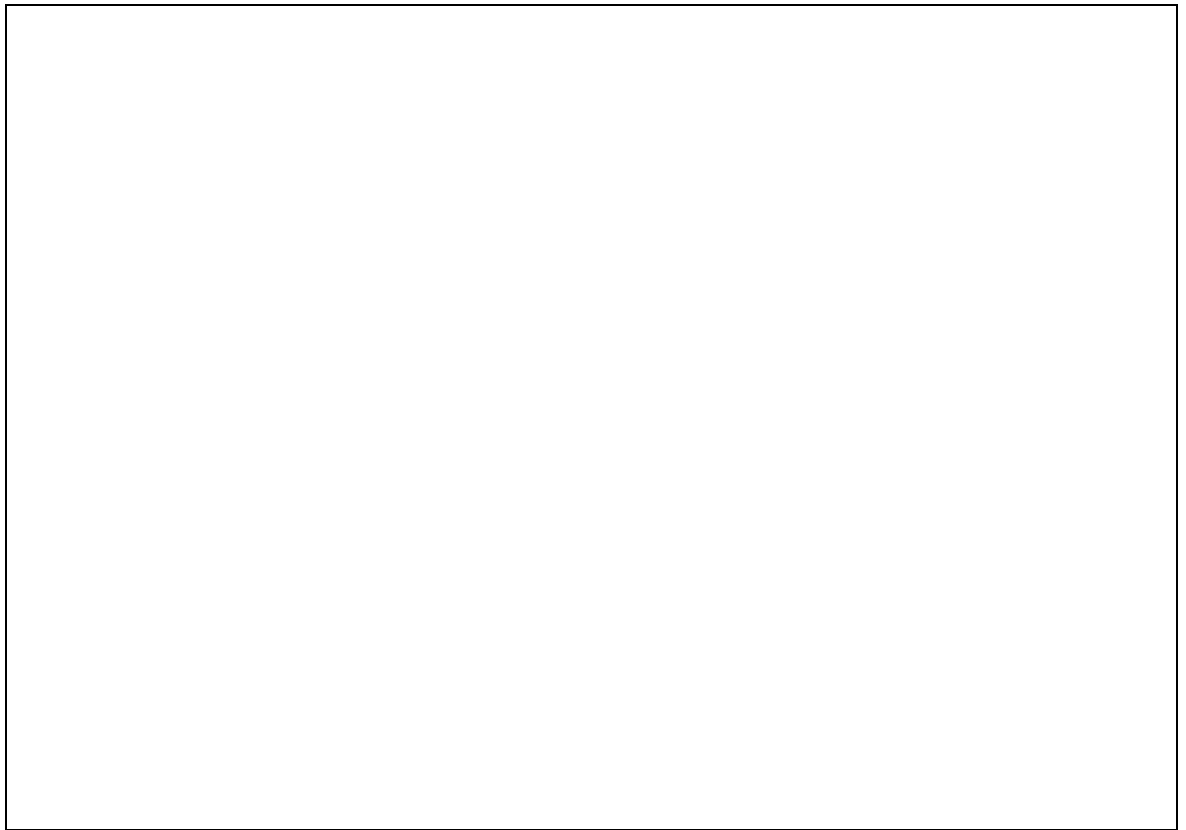
*We should bring good boots to wear when we hike.*

*We should bring sunglasses and sunscreen to protect ourselves from the sun.*

*We should take a notebook to write about our trip.*

*We should bring a camera or a video camera to help us capture what we see.*

*It will be fun!*



ANSWER: Answers will vary. See Writing Rubric.

POINTS: 12