

**I. Обведите кружком номер правильного ответа.**

- I wanted to build a bookcase, but I couldn't make ..... of the instructions.
  - understanding
  - sense
  - reality
  - sight
- I don't think Robert is responsible enough to ..... a business on his own.
  - run
  - do
  - bear
  - make
- The newspaper is owned by the Mearson Group, ..... is Sir James Bex.
  - which chairman
  - whose chairman
  - who chairman
  - chairman
- The economy needs more ..... if it is to grow.
  - investigation
  - encouragement
  - insurance
  - investment
- ..... the regular written work, you will be required to submit a long essay.
  - Apart from
  - Beside
  - In addition
  - Beyond
- It was ..... good result but you could have done better.
  - rather
  - a bit
  - a little
  - a fairly
- ..... said Ireland is dry?
  - Whoever
  - Whatever
  - Whenever
  - Wherever
- I would never cheat – I would be ..... of being caught.
  - worried
  - afraid
  - anxious
  - nervous
- No sooner had we started the picnic, ..... the rain began pouring down!
  - than
  - when
  - that
  - and
- She'll have to ..... herself together if she wants to keep her job.
  - take
  - put
  - draw
  - pull

**II. Раскройте скобки, заполнив пропуски нужными грамматическими формами.**

1. - Did he go on ..... ( talk ) about the same boring topics all night ?  
- No, he went on ..... ( show ) us his holiday photos.
2. Alan ..... ( work ) in the same office for ten years before he applied for another post with “ Mask Ltd “. He ..... ( wait ) for an answer for weeks when he .....  
( ask ) to attend an interview with the Personnel Manager. He went there dressed in an expensive suit which he ..... ( buy ) the day before, only to find that they ..... ( want ) someone to work as a cleaner.
3. The accident is believed ..... ( cause ) by reckless driving.
4. - Where's your bicycle ?  
- I don't know. One of my friends may ..... ( borrow ) it. I hope it wasn't stolen.  
Maybe Sally borrowed it.  
- Sally? She could ..... ( not / borrow ) it. She has a broken leg.
5. Five hundred employees ..... ( make ) redundant since the company  
..... ( take over ) six months ago.
6. I don't mind ..... ( remind ) you every day ..... ( lock ) the door when you  
leave the apartment, but I would appreciate your ..... ( try ) to remember on your own.
7. When the President ..... ( step ) off the plane on his official visit to our country next  
week, he ..... ( greet ) by the Prime Minister and the Defence Minister. He then  
..... ( drive ) to the Prime Minister's official residence where a State Reception  
..... ( take ) place in his honour. The moment that ..... ( be ) over, he  
..... ( take ) to Worcester Castle.
8. No decision ..... ( make ) about any future appointment until all suitable candidates  
..... ( interview ) next week.
9. Hopefully, all forms of discrimination ..... ( wipe out ) by the end of this century.
10. I ..... ( try ) to get John on the phone for the past week. I think he must  
..... ( go ) abroad. .... ( you /have ) any idea when he  
..... ( be ) back ?

III. **Переведите с русского языка на английский следующие предложения.**

1. Давид был уверен, что потерял ключи, когда бежал домой. Он слышал, как что-то выпало из кармана.

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2. - Полиция ещё не нашла украденные деньги, не так ли?  
- Вы правы. Несмотря на то, что грабителей поймали, никто из них пока не сказал, где они находятся.

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3. Я никому не разрешу выйти из класса до тех пор, пока мне не скажут правду. Кто из вас сделал это?

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4. Зачем ты встал в семь утра? Сегодня воскресенье, и не нужно было тебе вставать так рано.

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5. Если ты не собираешься следовать моим советам, зачем же ты просишь дать их тебе?

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6. Не выполнив работу вовремя, я вынужден был извиниться перед ними.

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7. Том сказал, что он решил не покупать этот дом, потому что он в два раза дороже, чем дом напротив.

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8. Ни вы, ни я ничего не знаем о последних решениях компании, поэтому я предлагаю подождать до конца недели.

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9. Мальчики наблюдали, как ремонтировали дорогу.

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10. Ник очень занят последнее время. Он пишет программу для компьютера. Он работает над ней месяц и уже сделал половину работы.

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**IV. Прочтите текст и ответьте на следующие за ним вопросы, обведя номер правильного варианта кружком.**

Clipper ships were the swiftest sailing ships that were ever put to sea and the most beautiful. These ships had their days of glory in the 1840s and 1850s. The first were built in Baltimore, but most were constructed in the shipyards of New England. It was Chinese tea that brought them into existence. Tea loses its flavor quickly when stored in the hold of a vessel, and merchants were willing to pay top prices for fast delivery. American shipbuilders designed clippers to fill this need. Then came the California Gold Rush of 1849, when Clippers took gold seekers from the East Coast to the West by way of Cape Horn.

Clippers were built for speed, and considerations of large carrying capacity and economical operation were sacrificed for this purpose. They had long, slender hulls with sharp bows. Their three slanted masts carried a huge cloud of canvas sail, including topgallants and royal sails, and sometimes skysails and moonrakers, to capture the power of the winds. They required a hard-driving captain and a large, experienced crew.

Many records were set by clippers. *Sovereign of the Seas* made it from San Francisco to New York in eighty-two days. *Flying Cloud* did 374 miles in one day. *Lightning* traveled from New York to Liverpool in thirteen days, and *Ino* made it from New York to Singapore in eighty-six days.

Some 500 clippers were built in American shipyards. British yards turned out some twenty-seven tea clippers, as the British ships were called. Unlike the wooden American ships, British clippers were "composite" with iron frames and wooden planking. The most famous tea clipper was *the Cutty Sark*.

By 1860, the age of the clippers was fading. Gold diggings in California were nearly exhausted. American investors found railroad building more profitable than clippers. Most importantly, there was a technological innovation that doomed the clipper, and in fact, the entire age of sail: the development of the steamship.

1. What is the author's main purpose in writing?
  - a. To describe the tea trade in the 1840s
  - b. To contrast clipper ships and steamships
  - c. To discuss nineteenth-century shipbuilding techniques
  - d. To provide a brief history of clipper ships
2. According to the passage, where were the majority of clipper ships built?
  - a. California
  - b. Baltimore
  - c. New England
  - d. Great Britain
3. According to the passage, how did the California Gold Rush affect clipper ships?
  - a. It encouraged the development of railroads, which competed directly with clipper ships.
  - b. The newly discovered gold was used to finance the construction of new ships.
  - c. It stimulated the demand for tea on the West Coast.
  - d. People who wanted to participate in the Gold Rush became passengers on clipper ships.
4. It can be understood from the passage that the tea clipper *Cutty Sark*
  - a. was faster than most American clippers
  - b. had more than three masts
  - c. could be powered by steam as well as by sails
  - d. had a metal frame and wooden planking
5. All of the following are given in the passage as reasons for the decline of clipper ships EXCEPT
  - a. the end of the California Gold Rush
  - b. competition with British tea clippers
  - c. the development of steamships
  - d. investment in railroads