

**Англійська мова**  
**Вступ у 8 клас**

**1 Match adjectives 1–6 with the opposites a–g.**

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| 1 | young     | a) expensive |
| 2 | cheap     | b) easy      |
| 3 | bad       | c) old       |
| 4 | big       | d) slim      |
| 5 | tall      | e) good      |
| 6 | difficult | f) small     |
| 7 | fat       | g) short     |

**2 Choose the correct words.**

- 1 What does the word *chat* mean / tell?
- 2 How do you **say** / **mean** this word in English?
- 3 Can you **lend** / **say** me a dictionary, please?
- 4 What have you **know** / **got** for number 5?
- 5 How do you **pronounce** / **mean** *cough*? It's /kof/.
- 6 And how do you **lend** / **spell** this word in English? T-H-R-O-U-G-H.

**3 Circle the correct words.**

- 1 We **often go** / **go often** to the beach.
- 2 My brother **never is** / **is never** late for school.
- 3 I **am sometimes** / **sometimes am** very tired after school.
- 4 They **always go** / **go always** to work by car
- 5 My sister **writes** / **is writing** an e-mail at the moment.
- 6 She **writes** / **is writing** e-mails every day.
- 7 It **rains** / **is raining** now.
- 8 They **are going** / **go** shopping every Saturday morning.
- 9 She's not interested in **reading** / **read** books.
- 10 He's very good at **draw** / **drawing** cartoons.

**4 Choose the correct words.**

- 1 I **walked** / **was walking** home from school when I saw an accident.
- 2 What **were you doing** / **you were doing** when your friends arrived?
- 3 When my friends arrived I **had** / **was having** dinner with my parents.
- 4 My sister was very happy when she **found** / **was finding** her homework.
- 5 We were playing tennis in the park **when** / **while** it started raining.
- 6 She **was buying** / **bought** a new camera last Saturday.
- 7 What time **did you finish** / **were you finishing** school yesterday?
- 8 I **did** / **was doing** my homework when the telephone rang.

## Reading

### 5 Read the text and circle T (true) or F (false).

My friend Ben writes an internet blog. I first read his blog two years ago. I sometimes write on his blog and now we are friends. He lives in Manchester, in the north of England. He is really interested in sport. He plays basketball and tennis and he also likes swimming. He isn't very good at football but he loves watching his favourite football team – Manchester City. He usually watches football on television but he sometimes goes to the stadium to watch matches. At school, Ben enjoys maths and science but he doesn't like art or music because he isn't good at drawing and he hates singing! After school Ben usually plays computer games, chats online with his friends or goes to the park to play basketball. Last year he went on holiday to the USA with his parents. They went by plane, of course. The journey was long and tiring because they flew to California. It took eleven hours! They were really tired when they arrived. They visited San Francisco and then they went to Los Angeles. Ben was very excited to see Hollywood and the houses of some famous film actors and musicians. While they were walking around Hollywood, they saw Leonardo di Caprio! He was drinking coffee in a café. Ben took a photo and uploaded it onto his blog. It's a really cool photo. Next summer Ben is coming here to visit. I'm going to show him our beautiful city.

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|---|---|-------|
| 1 | Ben is good at football.                          | T / F |
| 2 | His favourite football team is Manchester United. | T / F |
| 3 | He enjoys maths and science.                      | T / F |
| 4 | Ben loves singing.                                | T / F |
| 5 | He usually plays tennis in the park after school. | T / F |
| 6 | Last year he went to the USA with his parents.    | T / F |

1. Read the text below. For questions 1–5, choose the best answer (A, B, C or D).

### The Importance of Music

Music has always been important to people, and has been around for longer than you might think. In 2012, a primitive flute made from bird bone and mammoth ivory, discovered in Germany, was claimed to be over forty-thousand years old. If true, this would make it the world's oldest musical instrument. But why have humans needed music?

There are many theories as to the importance of music. Some experts suggest that humans used music like birds do, to attract a mate. Other theories suggest that music emerged to accompany story telling. Stories told in groups turned into poetry, which had a rhythm. This rhythm may have been accompanied by clapping, which may have evolved into drums and other instruments. Another function of music was to bond communities, and this can still be evidenced in football stadiums all over the world. Whatever the reason, it is clear that music has never been essential for survival, but is something that has been kept because it serves various functions and is enjoyed by people.

In fact, according to recent studies, nowadays more and more young people are learning to play an instrument; the most popular being the recorder, piano and guitar. In recent years, electric keyboards and electric guitars have increased in popularity, suggesting a shift away from more traditional instruments towards electronic ones. With the arrival of the Internet and mobile technology, it is possible to turn a mobile phone into a keyboard or drum, and beginners can learn guitar and other instruments by watching video tutorials online. Some artists, like Ed Sheeran, have become famous after posting their performances on the Internet.

19 The Internet has also created the potential for people to collaborate on online musical projects so new sounds and ways of making music can be easily shared. The Virtual Choir is one example of **this**; more than a thousand voices were brought together by the Internet to create a digital choir. In addition, musicians who use the Internet can form online bands and use internet websites such as YouTube to share their music, without ever meeting in person.

But what about the young people without access to the Internet or expensive instruments like the piano? Well, in the same way as people have been doing for millennia, they make music in any way they can; by whistling, clapping or just hitting a box with their hands. As long as we have creativity and imagination, the future of music is assured, regardless of the instruments that we play.

- 1 Why does the writer use the example of the flute?
  2. to suggest that musical instruments can be simple
  3. to highlight the fact that music instruments are important
  - C to exemplify that music has existed for thousands of years
  - D to impress the reader with an amazing fact
- 2 In the second paragraph, what does the writer suggest about music?
  - A it probably evolved as a way for the species to continue
  - B it is more desirable than vital
  - C it is an essential way to bring groups together
  - D it replaces the spoken word
- 3 In the third paragraph, what reason is given for the increase in young people learning an instrument?
  - A electronic music is easier to play than traditional instruments
  - B young people like electronic music more
  - C there are more resources to help people
  - D young people want to become famous
- 4 What does 'this' (line 19) refer to?
  - A online collaboration
  - B creating potential
  - C making new music
  - D sharing music
- 5 How does the writer feel about the future of music?
  - A optimistic as long as people have the right instruments
  - B worried that music will become increasingly simpler
  - C concerned that music will only be for the rich

D confident that music will always exist

**2. For questions 1–3, choose the best word or phrase (A, B or C).**

1. I ..... got a computer but I've got a tablet.

- A don't
- B 've
- C haven't

2. That's Jana. She's ..... to her friend.

- A talks
- B talk
- C talking

3. Amy: Where ..... you yesterday?

Jill: I was at my grandmother's house.

- A were
- B did
- C are

4. While we ..... to school, it started snowing. It was beautiful!

- A was walking B
- were walking C
- walked

5. Angel: Messi's the ..... footballer in the world.

Ricardo: No, he isn't. Ronaldo is!

- A most good
- B best
- C better

6. I haven't finished cleaning my bike .....

- A already
- B just
- C yet

7. He's a ..... He writes articles for the newspaper.

- A dentist
- B journalist C
- secretary

8. That is the man ..... name I can't pronounce.

- A whose
- B who
- C which

9. My best friend isn't ..... my sister.

- A as old than
- B as old as
- C so old than

10. I am very ..... in learning Chinese next year.

- A interesting
- B interest
- C interested

11. I liked my new English teacher, ..... was fortunate, as she also was teaching us history.

- A who
- B what
- C which
- D that

12. It was ..... hot that we decided to stay at home.

- A so
- B very
- C too
- D such a



**B. Read the text and answer the questions. Choose a, b or c.**

1. The aim of the Man vs Horse Marathon is for a man
  - a. to run through a thick forest.
  - b. to beat the first horse.
  - c. to win a prize.
2. In the Man vs Horse Marathon competitors
  - a. have to be very strong.
  - b. have to learn how to avoid accidents.
  - c. can't ride a bicycle.
3. Kitesurfing takes place
  - a. on popular beaches.
  - b. in Wales.
  - c. in the countryside.
4. Kitesurfing
  - a. is not popular because it is dangerous.
  - b. has been popular since the end of the 1990s.
  - c. is easy.
5. Both sports
  - a. are dangerous.
  - b. started in 1980.
  - c. are difficult.

## UNUSUAL SPORTS



### MAN VS HORSE MARATHON

Do you think you know everything about marathons? Well, think again. In Wales, there is a famous race called the Man vs Horse Marathon. It started in 1980 and it takes place in the countryside. In this race, people compete against horses. The course is about 22 miles long and the competitors have to go over steep hills, across rivers and through forests. It is easy for a man to go through a thick forest, but a horse has to go around the forest. The aim is for a man to beat the first horse and competitors have to be very strong to do it. People can race on foot or ride a bicycle. In 2004, a man racing on foot won the race for the first time. He trained hard to take part in the marathon and he won a big prize.



### KITESURFING

Are you looking for a new water sport? Then try kitesurfing. It is another extreme sport that lots of people love. It started at the end of the 1990s and it soon became popular on almost all the famous beaches around the world.

Kitesurfing is like kiting and surfing together. People stand on a board and hold a kite bar. When they hit the first wave, their body flies about 40 feet into the air and then they crash into the water. It is a lot of fun, but it is also dangerous. To do this sport, people have to spend a lot of time training and practising. They also have to learn how to avoid accidents and what to do if an accident happens.

### Vocabulary

**marathon** - a 42km-long race

**countryside** - an area far from towns or cities

**board** - a long, narrow piece of wood used for surfing

**wave** - a raised line of water in the sea