**ЗАДАНИЯ ИЗ РАЗДЕЛА «Чтение»**

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**New York City: Nostalgia for the Old Neighbourhood**

Life is made up of little things: some unimportant memories from childhood that, in fact, shaped your character. I   **1** on Third Avenue in midtown Manhattan during the 1950s-60s where family life was centred around old   **2** of flats and small stores. Third Avenue was my old neighbourhood and it had character. It was   **3** with working families of Italian, German and Irish origin. We shopped together with all those people and their kids played together. Third Avenue influenced the way our family lived. I absorbed the street life. It gave me an   **4** that I could not have received in any other place. To me, it was home.  
In a recent walk around Third Avenue my eyes   **5** signs of the old neighbourhood but couldn’t find any. If I hadn't been born here and someone described the area, it would be   **6** to believe. It wasn't because a few buildings had changed – everything had changed. The transformation began in the late 1950s and 60s when corporations replaced the old neighbourhood. In the early 1960s, the houses were pulled down. Families were forced to   **7** , the small stores went out of business and the old neighbourhood was changed forever. And now there is a lack of character in the transformed neighbourhood.

**1.** A)  brought up B)  grew up C)  went up D) got up

**2.** A) blocks B) houses C) groups D) sets

**3.** A) covered B) held C) loaded D) filled

**4.** A) knowledge B) information C) education D) training

**5.** A) looked after B) looked for C) looked through D) looked at

**6.** A) hard B) easy C) strange D) heavy

**7.** A) stay out B) take out C) move out D) go out

* [Задание №164C98](http://opengia.ru/items/164C989F7198A7AD4D312FCEA940C95F)

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**Tracy**

Tracy was as excited as a child about her first trip abroad. Early in the morning, she stopped at a **1** agency and reserved a suite on the Signal Deck of *the Queen Elizabeth II*. The next three days she spent buying clothes and luggage.

On the morning of the sailing, Tracy hired a limousine to drive her to the pier. When she **2** at Pier 90, where *the Queen Elizabeth II* was docked, it was crowded with photographers and television reporters, and for a moment Tracy was panic stricken. Then she realized they were interviewing the two men posturing at the foot of the gangplank. The members of the crew were helping the passengers with their luggage. On deck, a steward looked at Tracy’s ticket and **3** her to her stateroom. It was a lovely suite with a private terrace. It had been ridiculously expensive but Tracy **4** it was worth it.

She unpacked and then wandered along the corridor. In almost every cabin there were farewell parties going on, with laughter and champagne and conversation. She felt a sudden ache of loneliness. There was no one to see her **5**, no one for her to care about, and no one who cared about her. She was sailing into a completely unknown future.

Suddenly she felt the huge ship shudder as the tugs started to pull it out of the harbor, and she stood **6** the passengers on the boat deck, watching the Statue of Liberty slide out of **7**, and then she went exploring.

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| **1.** | A) | journey | B) | trip | C) | travel | D) | tourist |
| **2.** | A) | achieved | B) | arrived | C) | entered | D) | reached |
| **3.** | A) | set | B) | came | C) | headed | D) | directed |
| **4.** | A) | determined | B) | resolved | C) | decided | D) | assured |
| **5.** | A) | in | B) | off | C) | of | D) | after |
| **6.** | A) | among | B) | along | C) | between | D) | besides |
| **7.** | A) | glance | B) | stare | C) | sight | D) | look |

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**Sharing music with friends**

Brenda is a nineteen-year old full-time college student, and she earns money working part time as a waitress. Brenda loves to listen to music like most young people, but she can’t **1** the high CD prices that record companies **2** for popular CDs. Brenda says that the prices of CDs are ridiculously high at $17 to $20 each and there are only two or three good songs on each CD.

She **3** an apartment with three other roommates. She pays her own **4** and she also pays most of her **5** . Her solution to expensive CDs is to download or copy music from the Internet. Brenda and millions of other people are called “downloaders” because they download free file-sharing software and music. When Brenda later gives, shares, or trades her music files free over the Internet, she is also an uploader. She considers herself an active music uploader, but the music industry considers her a **6** . From 2001 on, the Recording Industry Association of America has sued and fined dozens of file-sharing services, for uploading music files, and hundreds of people, for **7** the law by downloading music.

**1.** А) provide Б) supply В) afford Г) allow

**2.** А) offer Б) charge В) suggest Г) propose

**3.** А) leases Б) lends В) hires Г) rents

**4.** А) lessons Б) classes В) tuition Г) education

**5.** А) costs Б) fees В) expenses Г) payments

**6.** А) thief Б) cheater В) burglar Г) bandit

**7.** А) undermining Б) disobeying В) breaking Г) ruining

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**BRITISH THEATRE**

The theatre has always been very strong in Britain. Its centre is, of course, London, where successful plays can   **1** without a break for many years. London has several dozens of theatres, most of them not   **2** from Trafalgar Square.   **3** London even some quite big towns have no public theatre at all, but every town has its private theatres. British theatre is much admired. There you can   **4** the best of everything – an excellent orchestra, famous conductors, celebrated actors and a well-dressed   **5   .**   
Choose a good play, and you’ll enjoy yourself throughout from the moment the curtain   **6** to the end of the last act. Get your seats beforehand, either at the box-office or at the theatre itself. You’ll probably want to sit as near to the   **7** as possible.

**1.** А) show Б) perform В) run Г) produce

**2.** А) far Б) remote В) distant Г) close

**3.** А) Inside Б) Outside В) In Г) Out

**4.** А) take Б) give В) hold   Г) get

**5.** А) audience Б) auditorium В) authority Г) publicity

**6.** А) puts up Б) sets up В) makes up Г) goes up

**7.** А) scene Б) stage В) scenery Г) performance

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**Ordinary**

“Ordinary” was the worst word she could find for anything. She and I would argue fiercely because I wanted to be ordinary as desperately as my mother wanted to be **1** .

“I can’t **2** that hair-do”, she said when I went to the hairdresser with my friend and came back with a pageboy haircut straight out of Seventeen magazine, “It’s so terribly ordinary”. Not ugly, not unsuitable. But ordinary.

Her **3** of ordinariness came out most strongly in her clothes.

“Couldn’t you please **4** something else?” I asked her when she was dressing for Parents’ Day in tight-fitting pants and a bright pink sweater, with a Mexican cape.

“What’s wrong with my outfit?”

What wasn’t wrong with it!

“It’s just that I wish it would be something more plain,” I said sheepishly, “something that people won’t **5** at.”

She looked at me angrily and drew herself **6** to her full height of five feet ten inches.

“Are you **7** of your own mother? Because if you are, Isadora, I feel **8** for you. I really do.”

**1.** A) uncommon; Б) unusual; В) odd; Г) peculiar

**2.** A) stand; Б) approve; В) agree; Г) vote

**3.** A) worry; Б) trouble; В) panic; Г) fear

**4.** A) dress; Б) put; В) wear; Г) clothe

**5.** A) watch; Б) stare; В) glance; Г) peep

**6.** A) up; Б) on; В) over; Г) at

**7.** A) sorry; Б) shamed; В) ashamed; Г) angry

**8.** A) regretful; Б) sorry; В) guilty; Г) unhappy

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**A Storyteller**

In my early 20s, after a year and a half in England, and four months in France, I returned to the United States and got a job at a camp in northern Virginia. My   **1** that summer was Dan from Mississippi, and I am from Rhode Island. We worked together with a group of boys from 12 to 14 years old. I've always been a bit untidy, but Dan was   **2** and clean, even after a night in the woods with our campers. We could not have been more different, but we got on because we shared the same   **3** of humor.  
At the end of the summer, a few of us went to   **4** a cave in West Virginia and got stuck in the cave for the night. It wasn’t as dramatic as it sounds. The park rangers had told us to stay there if anything happened. They knew where we were going, and when we should have been back. Dan hurt his right foot badly. So we had to   **5** the night in the cave. Food and water were not a problem, but we turned off our lights to save power. In the distance, we could hear the sound of running water.  
To   **6** the time, we told stories. That night in the cave we moved from one family story to another. As the night wore on, I remembered more and more. I was not alone–the cave, the blue light and the flowing water released stories and memories that we had never revealed to anyone. It was as if a river of stories had started flowing in each of us.   
When the rangers came the next morning, we didn’t want to   **7**. "Can't we just tell a few more stories?" In the cave, that night, I became a storyteller.

**1.** A) friend  B) teammate  C) partner  D) opponent

**2.** A) clear  B) neat C) exact D) careful

**3.** A) feeling B) emotion C) reason D) sense

**4.** A) explore B) analyze C) teach D) learn

**5.** A) lead B) spend C) hold D) waste

**6.** A) keep B) waste C) spare D) pass

**7.** A) escape B) leave C) remain D) retire

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**Your Future World**

What will you be doing in 2025? Will you be living in an undersea research station? Will you be the chief engineer **1** a bridge across the Atlantic Ocean? Will you be leading an **2** to the planet Mars? Will you be …?

You can daydream, of course, but nobody knows exactly what the world will be **3** . But scientists have made some guesses.

Based on the advances made, they believe people will be healthier. Diphtheria, malaria, tuberculosis, polio and many other killers are under control now. These diseases are on the way out, **4** to germ-killing chemicals, new ways of finding out about our bodies, and new ways of providing clean, safe **5** and water.

Healthier people live longer, so we can expect the world’s population to **6** sharply. It may double in the next forty years! This brings up a serious problem: how will we find food, water, and minerals for such a huge population?

Scientists are at work on some **7** . From the ocean they hope to get new fertilizers to increase the yield of the soil; new chemicals to kill crop-destroying insects without **8** other animals, new sources of water or supplies of food.

**1.** A) inventing; Б) designing; В) scheming; Г) doing

**2.** A) exploration; Б) expenditure; В) expedition; Г) exhibit

**3.** A) like; Б) alike; В) likely; Г) likable

**4.** A) as a result; Б) because; В) on account; Г) thanks

**5.** A) eat; Б) feed; В) food; Г) cooking

**6.** A) decrease; Б) distract; В) dissolve; Г) increase

**7.** A) solutions; Б) alternatives; В) preferences; Г) questions

**8.** A) hurting; Б) harming; В) injuring; Г) wounding

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**To Hear A Child**

I believe in patience. I live as a volunteer residential counselor in a small group home. These boys have brought joy and happiness into my life; they have made me laugh and made me proud. However, they have also challenged me, made me angry and tested my patience.   
Each day we start anew, going about a   **1** routine. I drive them to school, pick them up, cook for them and help with homework. We spend the evenings   **2** about what happened during the day. I meet their teachers and study for tests with them. They are the last people I see each night and the first ones I hear in the morning. They have become a   **3** of my life. I am twenty-two and am beginning to understand the love of a parent.  
I could not have come this far without patience. They do not think like miniature adults and it is not fair to expect them to.   **4** my expectations of them are high, I must remember that so much of what they see and understand is for the first time. First loves, first failed test, first time feeling the need to break away from the nest. I must have patience with them, because there is still a child within that comes out when I least expect it.  
This world is a fast-paced, fast food, fast-internet place.   **5**, no matter how fast things move, children will be children. I believe they will mature quicker and with more tools if I am patient. I see it in their eyes. Over time, sad eyes can glisten again, but only if I am   **6** of the fact that it takes them longer to get somewhere.   
I see around them a world that expects too much of them. They come   **7** too many things that give them too much sadness. They listen to me, respect me and understand reason but not always when I want them to. This opportunity has given me wisdom but only when I was patient enough to hear a child.

**1.** A)  daily  B) common  C)  average  D) traditional

**2.** A) discussing  B) debating  C) talking  D) saying

**3.** A) bit  B) part  C) parcel  D) piece

**4.** A) also  B) altogether  C) although  D) thus

**5.** A) nevertheless  B) nevermore  C) although  D) therefore

**6.** A) common  B) familiar  C) aware  D) acquainted

**7.** A) through  B) along  C) upon  D) across

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**Looking for a job**

My new home was a long way from the center of London but it was becoming essential to find a job, so **1** I spent a whole morning getting to town and applying to London Transport for a job on the tube. It turned out that they were looking for guards, not drivers. This **2** me. I couldn’t drive a car but I could probably guard a train and perhaps continue to write poems between stations. “Yes, I would be a tube guard,” I thought. I could see myself being cheerful, useful, a good man in a crisis.

The next day I sat down, with almost a hundred other **3**, for the intelligence test. I must have done all right because after half an hour’s wait I was sent into another room for a psychological test. The examiner sat at a desk. You were signaled forward to occupy the seat opposite him when the previous occupant had been **4**. Sometimes the person was rejected quickly and sometimes after quite a while. Obviously the longer interviews were the most successful ones. Mine was the only one that lasted a minute and a half. I can remember the questions now: “Why did you leave your last job, “Why did you leave your job before that? “And the one before?” I can’t **5** my answers, except they were short at first and grew shorter as we continued. His closing statement **6** a lack of sensitivity, which helped to explain why as a psychologist he had risen no higher than the underground railway. “You have failed this test and we are unable to offer you a position.” Failing to get that job was my low point. Or so I thought, believing that the work was easy. Actually, such a job **7** exactly this sort of elementary responsibility a dreamer like me is unlikely to have. But, I was still far short of self-understanding as well as short of cash.

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| **1.** | A) | finally | B) | at the end | C) | lastly | D) | in conclusion |
| **2.** | A) | comforted | B) | matched | C) | fitted | D) | suited |
| **3.** | A) | friends | B) | members | C) | candidates | D) | nominees |
| **4.** | A) | declined | B) | dismissed | C) | accepted | D) | abandoned |
| **5.** | A) | recall | B) | memorize | C) | forget | D) | remind |
| **6.** | A) | discovered | B) | revealed | C) | disguised | D) | opened |
| **7.** | A) | expects | B) | offers | C) | demands | D) | asks |

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**Searching for a New Programme**

A healthy lifestyle can vastly improve your well-being. This is a lifestyle designed for those who wish to feel more certain about their health and more in control of what the present and future will bring them in that important **1** of existence. None of us wants to be sick. None of us enjoys the idea that we may become a medical statistic. This is a simple, easy-to-follow health-style that can enable you to get cards very much in your **2** . The doctors were fortunate enough to come into **3** with a field of study that brought them to healing and well-being that they so desperately needed. They personally have **4** thousands of people improve their health using only a small part of information. Many more people begin to improve their health now. Embracing the most current information from many health-related fields, the programme of healthy lifestyle gives you an understanding of the impact of exercise, breathing, sunshine, sleep and much more on your health. In order for this programme to work for you, you have to be willing to apply at least some part of it. Some change will be **5** . And as you make those first modest changes, you will get positive results that encourage you to do more. Changing is fun. And if you realize that your new healthy lifestyle **6** the making of new habits, not the **7** of old ones, you will feel very positive about what the future holds for you.

**1.** А) sector Б) region В) area Г) territory

**2.** А) benefit Б) advantage В) privilege Г) favour

**3.** А) touch Б) contact В) view Г) connection

**4.** А) confessed Б) witnessed В) determined Г) recognized

**5.** А) ordered Б) commanded В) forced Г) required

**6.** А) contains Б) consists В) involves Г) encloses

**7.** А) breaking Б) damaging В) ruining Г) destroying

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