

## Англійська мова

## Reading 10

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**Task 1.** Read a magazine article *SCHOOL AROUND THE WORLD*.

(8 points)

Match questions (1-8) with paragraphs (A-G). Write your answers (paragraph letters) on the line next to the question. There is an extra question which you do not need to use.

### SCHOOL AROUND THE WORLD

**A.** Don't feel like going to school today? Well, you're lucky because 300 million children can't go to school. Unfortunately, most of these children live in developing countries and are very poor so they have to work. Sometimes their parents can't buy the books or the school uniform. For the 140 children living in the area around Alice Springs in Australia, getting to school can take days. Therefore, the School of the Air provides radio classes which children do at home.

**B.** How do children feel when they're at school? In the United States there have been many shootings in schools so most now have security checks for anyone entering the school. However, 70% of American students still don't feel safe in their schools!

**C.** All over the world some pupils have to wear school uniforms. Kamuzu Academy in Malawi, Africa, is a private school and the students have to wear straw hats and blazers. In Sepehr school, Tehran, Iran, the girls have to wear a blue dress. One student explains why she enjoys wearing a uniform, "Some girls wear something over their dress. However, I think there's a beauty in the whole school wearing the same thing." However, usually school uniforms are unpopular among young people who want to wear something more fashionable!

**D.** All schools have rules. At the Fenglou Acrobatics School in Wuqia, China, students have to work very hard "Students must not bring toys or games to the school," says Zhang Fenglou, the school's principal, "because they don't need them — they have no time for games." When pupils do something wrong, they have to do a handstand for half an hour. Most schools have a more relaxed attitude. At Windsor House School, North Vancouver, Canada, teachers, parents and students vote for the school rules.

**E.** In some schools religion plays a very important part in school life. At Sepehr School, Tehran, Iran, students get a point for every tenth visit to the prayer room and the pupils with the most points at the end of the month can stay at school for a party. In Israel, Jewish and Arab schoolchildren attend different schools. The Gan HaShalom school in Jaffa, Israel, is unique because half of the pupils and teachers are Jewish and half of them are Arab. The school principal is proud of his school. He says, "We cannot change the world. But when our pupils grow up, they will be able to meet an Arab or a Jew without feeling afraid or angry."

**F.** There are private schools all over the world. Amadu Monjeza, 12, attends Kamuzu Academy in Malawi. "Poor kids ask me for money and that makes me sad. I can see how they suffer outside the school." In Britain about 7% of children go to a private school. St Paul's School in New Hampshire, USA is one of the most expensive private boarding schools in the USA. St Paul's has two fields for American football, seven for soccer, two for field hockey and four for lacrosse as well as two indoor ice rinks, ten squash courts, eighteen tennis courts, an athletics track, a rowing lake and two ski courses!

**G.** In most countries, pupils study a wide range of subjects until the age of eighteen. In the UK, students specialise early, choosing three or four subjects at the age of sixteen. English is a very important subject for young people all over the world. In Cyprus many students have private lessons in the afternoon to help them get into British and American universities. However, in the US only 30% of high school students study a language (usually Spanish).

#### Which paragraph:

1. tells how students in some schools are encouraged to pray?
2. speaks about school disciplines and their importance?
3. describes sporting facilities in a school?
4. mentions some reasons why children don't attend school?
5. speaks about students' attitudes to the way they dress in school?
6. gives information about the future of schools?
7. gives an example of punishment for disobedience?
8. touches upon some dangers children can face at school?


**MARK YOUR ANSWERS ON THE SEPARATE ANSWER SHEET.**

**Task 2.** You are going to read a magazine article about Sean Connery.  
Read and choose the best answer (A, B or C) to the question.

(6 points)

### Sean Connery

Sean Connery has made over 70 films and is one of the top five movie actors in the world. But the well-known star was not born into a privileged theatrical family. On the contrary, he grew up in a working-class district of Edinburgh in Scotland during the Great Depression of the 1930s. "At that time, unemployment was high and most families were poor, so Sean and his parents were not unusual in living in a two-roomed flat with no bathroom. When his father was unemployed, young Sean, glad to help, would get up at dawn to earn some money delivering milk before he went to school. By the age of ten, he already had the determination to control his own destiny, something that he continued to do throughout his life.

Sean left school at thirteen and worked from dawn to dusk doing any jobs he could find. The milk round provided most of his income, though it was like a hobby for him, because he loved looking after Titch, the horse that pulled his milk cart. But as Sean approached his seventeenth birthday, he was keen to extend his experience of life beyond his work, football and local dances. Despite his parents' objections, he signed on for seven years with the Royal Navy, boasting to his friends that he was off to see the world.

But this was not to be. After a thorough and rigorous training programme, Sean was sent no further than the south coast of England. By then, he was already doubting whether the Navy was really the right thing for him. For such an independent young man, it was hard not to be allowed to think for himself. Although in the end he had to leave the Navy for medical reasons, he must have had mixed feelings about it. On the one hand, it was a lucky escape; on the other hand, it meant returning home with his tail between his legs and with only a small disability pension to live on.

After the Navy, there followed an unsettled period where he took on a variety of jobs in his home city. He delivered coal, and worked as a labourer and as a French polisher in a furniture business. In fact, he didn't mind what he did as long as the job paid him enough to subsidise his leisure pursuits, which now included bodybuilding. He even turned down the offer of a job with Manchester United Football Club on the grounds that it wouldn't leave him enough time or money for his other interests.

Gradually, thanks perhaps to those trips to the gym, his attractive appearance was opening up other areas of work. He became a lifeguard, did a bit of acting and worked as a fashion model for a magazine. The turning point, however, came when he entered the 'male beauty' competition known as Mr Universe. Although he didn't win, he was noticed and, on the strength of his looks alone, got a small part in the musical show South Pacific. Here he began to attract crowds of female admirers. His destiny was finally unfolding. Television plays followed, which then led on to films, both in Britain and the USA. A few years later, Sean would meet the man who was writing the screenplay for the first James Bond film Dr No. He saw in Sean Connery the perfect 007, a role that was to make the actor a household name the world over.

9. As a young child, Sean Connery's life was hard because
- A. he came from an unhappy family background.
  - B. he was forced to do things he did not enjoy.
  - C. he grew up at a time of economic problems.
10. Why did Sean decide to join the Navy?
- A. He wanted to get away from his life in Edinburgh.
  - B. His parents thought it would be good for him.
  - C. He couldn't find any other sort of work.
11. Why did Sean leave the Navy?
- A. He found it difficult to accept orders.
  - B. He was no longer well enough to continue.
  - C. He was disappointed not to be sent abroad.
12. What does the expression with his tail between his legs suggest about Sean?
- A. He was pleased to be going home to his friends and family.
  - B. He realised he had made a mistake in joining the Navy.
  - C. He was ashamed of the way he had behaved whilst away.

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13. What was Sean's attitude to work in the period after he left the Navy?

- A. He was only interested in the money he could earn.
- B. He was only willing to do work that he enjoyed.
- C. He wanted to do jobs connected with his leisure pursuits.

14. Why was Sean chosen for a part in the musical show South Pacific?

- A. He came first in a competition.
- B. He had previous acting experience.
- C. His physical appearance impressed people.

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**Task 3.** Read the text below and mark the sentences **true (T)** or **false (F)**.

**(11 points)**

### A FLYER FOR A GYM

#### BEST BODY FITNESS

About us:

You don't want just a gym membership. You want a membership that means something. And that means you need support, expert help and a community. Best Body Fitness isn't just a gym: it's a full-service fitness membership made for you. Here's how it works:

**STEP ONE: Your assessment**

We begin with an assessment session. This is a chance for you to see what we do at Best Body. Our assessment plans are no-cost and no-risk. We'll also make a training plan specifically for you.

**STEP TWO: Your training**

When you decide to become a Best Body member, we show you what to do, how to do it and why you are doing it. After a few sessions with an expert private trainer you will feel comfortable working out on your own. But don't worry, we'll always be nearby if you have questions.

**STEP THREE: Your membership**

Membership works on a month-to-month basis. There are no sign-up fees and no cancellation fees. Start and stop whenever you want. And the best part? Our fees are the most competitive in the whole downtown area.

**STEP FOUR: Your community**

At Best Body Fitness, we see everyone as part of a big team. And when you work with a team, you can do great things. Join any of our specialised classes, led by expert instructors. Come to our nutrition classes. Participate in our regular social events. Everything is included in your fee. Finally, we wanted to share with you some reasons why our members say that they have chosen us over any other fitness centre in the city. It's so EASY:

- Easy to start, stop, cancel or refund a membership
- Easy to access – we're open 24/7, we never close
- Easy to do exercise – we have lots of equipment, no long wait
- Easy results – our trainers and equipment give you success, fast
- Easy to find – in the centre of town, near public transport and with parking

It's WONDERFUL:

- Wonderful members
- Wonderful trainers and staff
- Wonderful equipment
- Wonderful energy
- Wonderful location

Come and visit us for a personal tour! money, and I would do it again".

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15. The first visit to the club is free.

16. Everybody gets the same training plan.

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- 17. At this gym, you always do exercise with an expert instructor.
- 18. If you stop your membership, you don't have to pay anything.
- 19. This gym says it's the best value for money.
- 20. Nutrition classes cost a little bit extra.
- 21. The gym is open at 4 o'clock in the morning.
- 22. The gym is outside of town.
- 23. You can stop, start or refund your membership at any time.
- 24. BEST BODY FITNESS is led by unexperienced instructors.
- 25. There is possibility to make a training plan specifically for you.


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Task 4 Read the text about space travel and put the verbs (26-35) into the correct form. (5 points)

SPACE TRAVEL

People used to dream about space travel. But now we (26) ... (orbit) Earth many times and walked on the moon. These successes (27) ... (be) due to the efforts of the scientists and astronauts from different countries. Yuri Gagarin, a Russian astronaut, was the first (28) ... (launch) into space. The American astronaut Neil Armstrong was the first (29) ... (step) on the Moon. Today we are used to (30) ... (travel) in space and the idea that space can (31) ... (explore). The success of the first space shuttles (32) ... (be) an important development in the space age. All earlier space-going vehicles (33) ... (either, leave) in space or burnt up falling back into the earth's atmosphere. The fleet of reusable shuttles can greatly reduce the cost of space travel and research. Unfortunately there (34) ... several unsuccessful launches which led to some delay in realization of the earlier plans. The shuttles can really be useful as they can carry material for space stations and factories into space (35) ... (establish) industry in space.

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