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Prova d'esame 1

Comprensione di testi scritti

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e la consultazione dei dizionari monolingue e bilingue.

Al candidato vengono consegnate due schede di valutazione.

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Scrivete le vostre risposte negli spazi appositamente previsti all'interno della prova utilizzando la penna stilografica o la penna a sfera. Scrivete in modo leggibile: in caso di errore, tracciate un segno sulla risposta scorretta e scrivete accanto a essa quella corretta. Alle risposte e alle correzioni scritte in modo illeggibile verranno assegnati 0 punti.

Abbate fiducia in voi stessi e nelle vostre capacità. Vi auguriamo buon lavoro.

La prova si compone di 12 pagine, di cui 2 vuote.



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VOLTATE IL FOGLIO.



Esercizio 1: Completamento

Leggete il testo e eseguite l'esercizio.

Could Britain drive on the right?



It isn't impossible for a country to switch from one side of the road to the other.

Sweden managed it successfully in 1967. More recently, the pacific island of Samoa flipped from right to left in 2009. 0 on the right would bring us into line with Europe and the USA, 1 an end to the expensive process of 2 cars with steering wheels on the wrong side.

But it's never 3 to happen. Cost – that's the problem. A couple of years after Sweden made the switch from left to right, the British government estimated it would cost £264m to do the same here – approximately £4bn in

today's money. But that was four decades ago. Today, you could add a zero to that £4bn figure for starters. Maybe two zeros. A couple of years ago, the Automobile Association calculated that the cost of simply 4 Britain's road signs from miles to kilometers would be £750m. Just the distance signs, nothing else. Imagine how many thousands of other signs would have to be moved, rewritten for a left-to-right flip – and that's just the start of it. Nine out of 10 motorway junctions could be easily modified for right-hand drive, but the 5 10% would have to be entirely rebuilt. Not to mention the one-way systems, the traffic lights, the junctions ... And what about the moment of the switch itself? You can't gradually introduce right-hand drive, town by town. The whole country must switch at once. In Sweden, all private traffic was banned between 1am and 6am ... but imagine 6 to achieve that in Britain, even in the middle of the night. It'd be chaos. No one would get their milk delivered. And we'd be left with a nation full of back-to-front cars, where all the buses would deposit their passengers into the middle of the road, 7 their lives. It might not be right, but we're staying on the left.

(Adattato da: www.bbc.com/travel/blog/20110918-could-britain-drive-on-the-right. Acquisito il 20 marzo 2012)



Completate i punti (1-7) del testo *Could Britain drive on the right?* scegliendo le parole adeguate tra quelle presenti nel riquadro sottostante e scrivendole nelle apposite linee numerate. Nel riquadro ci sono due parole di troppo.

going	saying	driving	remaining	changing	putting
endangering	engineering	trying	moving		

Example:

0. driving

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2. _____

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Esercizio 2: Collegamento

Leggete il testo e eseguite l'esercizio.

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| 0 | The film brilliantly puts a century of Pro Football immortality into a single volume. From football's pioneers to its future Hall of Famers, this historical DVD recounts the games, the plays and stories of the NFL's greatest players and coaches. The documentary takes you inside the skill and passion that separate the ordinary from the truly exceptional. |
| 8 | This groundbreaking documentary presents ancient Rome's hidden treasures and untold stories as never before. It reveals a startling up-to-date vision of the ancient empire and challenges our perception of what we know about the Romans and their lives. New discoveries about the Roman gladiators, Pompeii doomsday, and Caesar's assassination provide fresh insights into the empire that not only influenced Western civilization, but created it. |
| 9 | Heart disease is the number one killer of men and women in America and high cholesterol numbers are a major risk factor for both heart attacks and strokes. In this program we offer information about lifestyle changes that can help keep cholesterol numbers in the normal range, plus we see how changing the diet can lower high cholesterol. |
| 10 | Rome welcomes the new millennium spiffed up as never before. We tour Rome's ancient sights from the Forum and Colosseum to the glorious Pantheon. Then, after hiking the Appian Way and exploring the catacombs, we track down the best gelato in Rome. |
| 11 | With the fate of our planet arguably hanging in the balance, <i>An Inconvenient Truth</i> may prove to be one of the most important and prescient documentaries of all time. As he jokingly refers to himself, "former President-elect" Al Gore felt an urgent personal calling to draw attention – as he had been doing throughout his political career – to the increasingly desperate crisis of global warming. |
| 12 | Meet the world's most powerful computer – IBM's ASCI White – and trace its origins, from an English scientist who created a counting machine to the first room-sized computers to today. Myriad interviews with technological gurus and computer historians – including Apple co-founder Steve Wozniak – shed light on the digital revolution and the molecular computers of the future. |
| 13 | A single video focusing on overall basics of traditional yoga for those who want a routine for overall benefit of well-being purposes, including a series of exercises targeting blood-flow and muscles in and to the head. |
| 14 | She was genetically engineered by an evil corporation to be the perfect emotionless spy and assassin. Now they can't control her. Asked to kill one too many times and developing feelings she wasn't supposed to have, Pentan must outwit her evil creators before they destroy her and succeed in the ultimate corporate takeover. |
| 15 | Few men have changed our everyday world of work, leisure, and human communication in the way that Apple founder, Steve Jobs, has done. This documentary looks not only at how his talent, his style and his imagination have shaped all of our lives, but also at the influences that shaped and molded the man himself. |



Leggete le descrizioni di film e trasmissioni televisive (8-15) e collegatele con i rispettivi generi (A-K). Ci sono due possibilità di troppo. Scrivete le lettere corrispondenti alle risposte sulle linee numerate.

Example:

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| 8. _____ | A Science Fiction |
| 9. _____ | B World History |
| 10. _____ | C History of Sport |
| 11. _____ | D Infectious Diseases |
| 12. _____ | E Tourist Destinations |
| 13. _____ | F Medical Problems |
| 14. _____ | G Environmental Crisis |
| 15. _____ | H American Politicians |
| | I 20 th /21 st Century Technology |
| | J Health and Fitness |
| | K Important Personalities |





Esercizio 3: Completamento

Leggete il testo e eseguite l'esercizio.

What it means to travel green

The word 'eco' is used so often that it's difficult to tell what's authentic and what's not.

John Vidal, The Guardian, 20 February 2010



Nearly 40 years ago I took a three-day train ride from London to Istanbul, a bus from there to Bodrum, and ended up walking to the village of Gumusluk because there was no road. I spent the summer picking and eating peaches and fishing with the locals. Net result: minimum ecological damage, maximum cultural exchange, and a tad fewer octopuses in the Mediterranean. In today's terms, this was as green as travel gets.

Now you can get to Gumusluk in a few hours and spend a month there without hearing a word of Turkish. The fish may come from Singapore, the hotels are owned by the British, the villas by the Dutch, and the yachts that call in are in the million-dollar bracket. The place has changed unimaginably in a generation and, as one of the village's first tourists, I hold my hand up. Had I known then what I know now, should I have gone?

Yes. Green travel is not just what happens at the destination, or indeed how you get there. It does not demand that you avoid air travel

altogether or hotels or comfort, or that your holiday is within 10 miles of your home. Rather, it asks you to pack your brain as well as your swimsuit, and to assess and then act on the impact of your visit.

At its best, it's kind to both place and people, and rewards the host as much as the tourist. It is mostly small-scale, unique and personal. It certainly appeals to the intellectually curious, the ecologically and socially responsible, and to the politically aware. It seeks to add to the sum of knowledge and improve, or at least not harm, the natural world.

It can be on the other side of the world or down your road, in a forest or in the city. Even flying can be justifiable, if you take a plane only occasionally and are sensible about it. The golden rule must be that if our actions hurt in one way, then we should compensate in another.

Dave Martin, who helps run community-owned Bulungula Lodge in South Africa, argues that rather than cutting out flying, we should be selective about where we visit. Africa is the least polluting continent on Earth but most needs the income, jobs and good development that inspired tourism brings. "Cancel your holidays to the rich world and save up for a worthwhile holiday to the developing world," he says.

At its worst, green travel is a cynical lie, told by travel agents, tour operators, airlines and cruise lines claiming to be green but actually peddling mass tourism. It has been used to cover any encounter with indigenous peoples, any foray into a forest or trip by bicycle.

Happily that is changing. Hotels used to call themselves green if they offered not to change the towels every day; these days, people demand evidence of real commitment to community, place and the environment.



Completate il sottostante riassunto del testo *What it means to travel green* con le informazioni chiave mancanti. Potete usare soltanto informazioni presenti nel testo. In ciascuna riga potete scrivere solamente UNA parola. Scrivete le vostre risposte sulle linee numerate.

Four decades ago John Vidal spent a summer in Gumusluk, Turkey. He claims that his trip was very ecological and could even be described as (0) green. Today, the Turkish language is rarely heard in Gumusluk, hotels and villas are (16) _____ by foreigners, and some of the food comes from distant Asia. The village is completely (17) _____ by tourism.

Vidal thinks that we should carefully choose the way we travel to a (18) _____. Our way of travelling should be kind to the locals. We shouldn't travel by (19) _____ too often, but if we do, we should fly to places that need the income and are not already overcrowded with tourists, for example (20) _____.

Some travel agents use the phrase 'green tourism' to hide the reality of another kind of tourism – (21) _____ tourism. Fortunately this is changing because conscientious travellers nowadays (22) _____ proof that they are in fact travelling green.



Esercizio 4: Quesiti a scelta multipla

Leggete il testo e eseguite l'esercizio.

How Volcanoes Work

By Tom Harris



Whenever there is a major volcanic **0** in the world, you'll see a slew of newspaper articles and nightly news stories covering the catastrophe, all stressing a familiar set **23** words – violent, raging, awesome. **24** faced with a spewing volcano, people today share many of the same feelings volcano-observers have had throughout **25** history: We are in awe of the destructive power of nature, and we are unsettled by the thought

that a peaceful mountain can suddenly become an unstoppable destructive force!

While scientists have **26** up much of the mystery surrounding volcanoes, our knowledge has not made volcanoes any **27** amazing.

When people think of volcanoes, the **28** image that comes to mind is probably a tall, conical mountain with orange lava spewing out the top. There are certainly many volcanoes of this type. But the term volcano actually describes a much wider range of **29** phenomena.

30 speaking, a volcano is any place on a planet where some material from the inside of the planet makes its way through to the planet's surface. One way is "material spewing from the top of a mountain", but there are other forms as well.

(Adattato da: science.howstuffworks.com/nature/natural-disasters/volcano.htm. Acquisito il 10 novembre 2012)

Scegliete le parole che completano in modo corretto le frasi del testo *How Volcanoes Work*. In ciascuna frase è possibile dare solo una risposta.

Example:

0. A erosion
 B eruption
 C excavation
 D erudition

23. A from
 B off
 C of
 D in



24. A When
B As
C Despite being
D Never
25. A personal
B national
C human
D humane
26. A cleaned
B backed
C given
D cleared
27. A longer
B further
C less
D more
28. A last
B same
C first
D second
29. A geological
B ecological
C glacial
D extraterrestrial
30. A Globally
B Generally
C Publicly
D Regularly



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