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MODULE 1

READING COMPREHENSION

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ATTENTION

- Don't open this booklet until the exam begins.
- Try to answer all 50 questions.
- Provide **ONE** answer for each item.
- You have **1 hour and 5 minutes** to complete this exam.

ΠΡΟΣΟΧΗ

- Μην ανοίξεις το τευχίδιο πριν από την έναρξη της εξέτασης.
- Προσπάθησε να απαντήσεις και στα 50 ερωτήματα.
- Δώσε **ΜΙΑ ΜΟΝΟ ΑΠΑΝΤΗΣΗ** σε κάθε ερώτημα.
- Διάρκεια της εξέτασης: **1 ώρα και 5 λεπτά.**



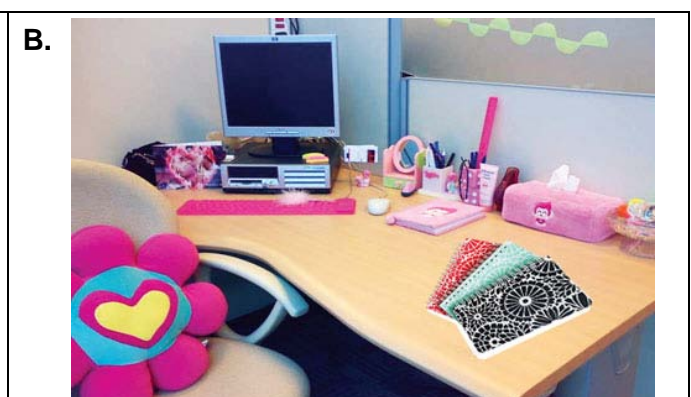
ACTIVITY 1

What will these children do this summer? Match sentences 1-5 with pictures A-F, as in the example.

Τι θα κάνουν τα παιδιά φέτος το καλοκαίρι; Αντιστοίχισε τις προτάσεις 1-5 με τις εικόνες Α-Ζ, όπως στο παράδειγμα.

What will they do this summer?

EX.	Maria will probably go camping with two Canadian friends.	A ✓
1.	Teo is visiting his Aunt Matilda. She has a house in the country.	
2.	This summer, Jack will visit his uncle in Canada. He lives in a big city –Montreal, I think.	
3.	Teresa? She'll spend her summer vacation on a Greek island –I forget the name...	
4.	George is going to a beautiful village in the hills of Northern Greece.	
5.	Sarah isn't going anywhere! She's staying home to study for her exams.	



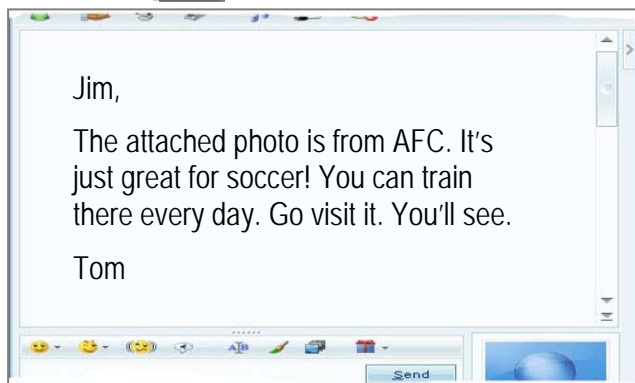
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Which place is each writer referring to? Match options A-E with the content of each email (6-10), as in the example.

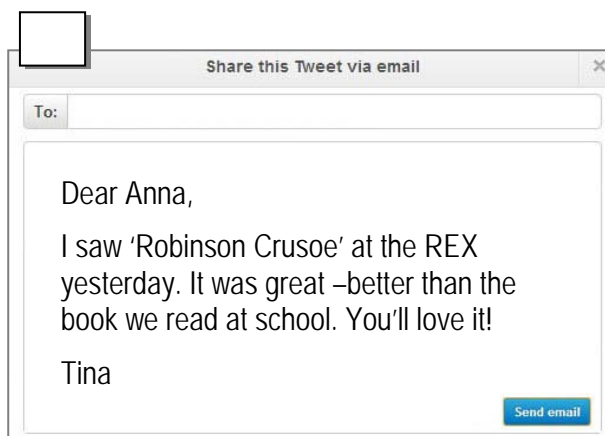
Σε ποιο μέρος αναφέρεται ο κάθε συγγραφέας; Αντιστοίχισε τις επιλογές A-E με το περιεχόμενο κάθε μηνύματος (6-10), όπως στο παράδειγμα.

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| A. restaurant | B. theatre | C. cinema | D. park | E. mall | F. club |
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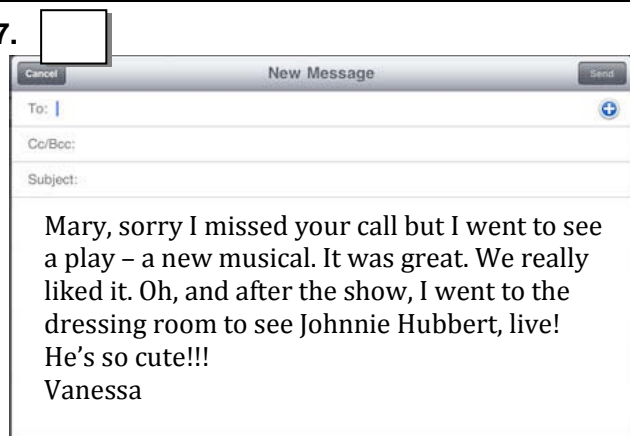
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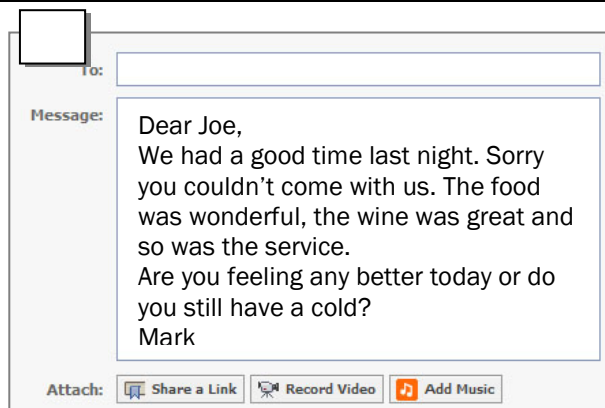
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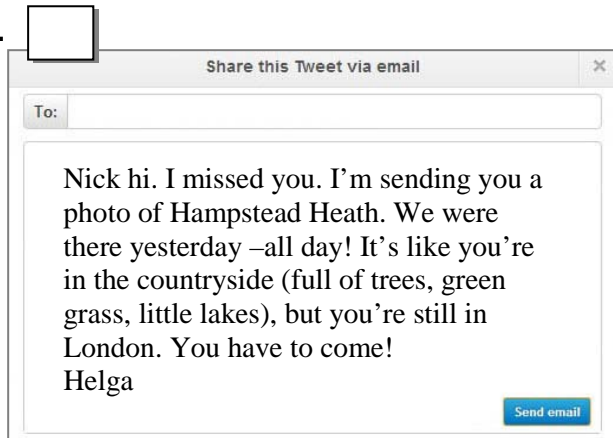
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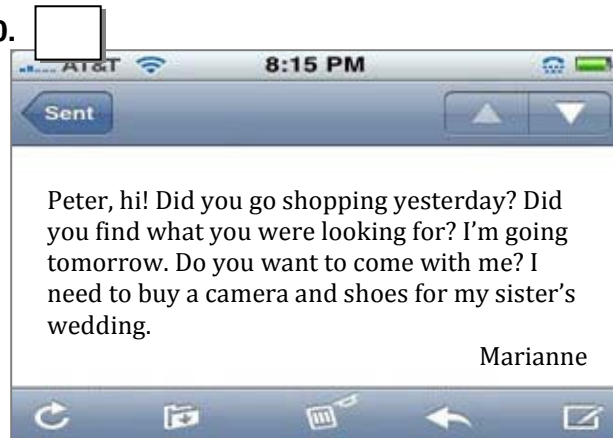
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ACTIVITY 3

3.1 Read the text below and choose the best answer (A, B, or C) for items 11-13, as in the example.


Διάβασε το παρακάτω κείμενο και διάλεξε τη σωστή απάντηση (A, B, or C) για τις ερωτήσεις 11-13, όπως στο παράδειγμα.

- EX.** Το κείμενο είναι μάλλον από
 A. διαφημιστικό φυλλάδιο. B. εγκυκλοπαίδεια. C. περιοδικό. 
- 11.** Απευθύνεται σε εκείνους που
 A. σκοπεύουν να αγοράσουν κινητό. B. δεν έχουν αποφασίσει αν θα αγοράσουν κινητό. C. έχουν ήδη αγοράσει κινητό.
- 12.** Σύμφωνα με το κείμενο, εάν βραχεί το κινητό σου, πρέπει
 A. να του αλλάξεις μπαταρία. B. να το επισκευάσει ειδικός. C. να το ανοίξεις για να στεγνώσει.
- 13.** Γενικά, το άρθρο
 A. μιλά για το πώς ακριβώς να χρησιμοποιείς το καινούριο κινητό σου. B. αναφέρεται σε πρόσφατα επιστημονικά συμπεράσματα. C. δίνει χρήσιμες συμβουλές σε μη ειδικούς.

TECHNOLOGY

HAVE YOU GOT A MOBILE PHONE?

Then, here are some tips you must not forget...



A. If you need to have it with you, have it close to you but not on you (e.g. carry it in a bag but not in your pocket)! Also, when you use your mobile phone, do not use it close to a PC. If you do, you may lose your computer text!


B. Do not get your mobile wet (when you go to the beach, when you use it in the rain, etc). It can stop working after some minutes only! If it ever stops working, never try to open it using tools (anything like a knife, a pair of scissors, etc). Ask an expert who knows what to do.

C. Never touch a very old mobile battery with your fingers! It may be very dangerous for your skin!

D. Prefer to use your home telephone set if you really have to call someone! Mobile phone calls are much more expensive than usual calls! Also, when you want to change your old mobile phone, do not buy one of the latest or most expensive models. A lot of their extras are very often for 'professionals' or business people, not for you!

3.2 Match parts A-D with statements 14-16, as in the example.

Αντιστοίχισε τις παραγράφους A-D με τις προτάσεις 14-16, όπως στο παράδειγμα.

EX.	Αναφέρεται στους κινδύνους που σχετίζονται με μπαταρίες.	C 
14.	Συστήνει να μην αγοράζεις ένα ακριβό κινητό.	
15.	Συστήνει να μην προσπαθήσεις μόνος σου να επισκευάσεις το κινητό σου.	
16.	Αναφέρεται στο πόσο κοντά σου να έχεις το κινητό σου.	

ACTIVITY 4

Read the message below and for each gap (17-20) choose the best word (A-F), as in the example. There are two words you do not need.

Διάβασε το παρακάτω μήνυμα και για κάθε κενό (17-20) διάλεξε τη σωστή λέξη (A-F), όπως στο παράδειγμα. Υπάρχουν δύο λέξεις που δεν χρειάζεσαι.

EX.	to	A.	after	B.	on	C.	with	D.	in	E.	between	F.	next to
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Compose Message

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Dear Nick,

Hi! How are you? Just a short message to invite you **(EX) to** my birthday party next Saturday, at 7 p.m.! It'll be at *Billy's Fun Park*, **(17)** _____ my home. Can you come?

We'll have fun (they've got brand new consoles, all **(18)** _____ very big screens!), Peter will play some songs on his guitar, and we'll also play **(19)** _____ the garden!

Tell your parents that Mum will drive you home **(20)** _____ the party!

Hope you can come!

John

Reply:

ACTIVITY 5

Fill in the gaps with the right word to complete the sentences below (21-25), as in the example. The missing word is a COUNTRYSIDE word and the first letter is given to help you solve the puzzle.

Συμπλήρωσε τα κενά με τη σωστή λέξη για να ολοκληρώσεις τις πιο κάτω προτάσεις (21-25), όπως στο παράδειγμα. Η λέξη που λείπει αφορά την ΕΞΟΧΗ. Το πρώτο γράμμα δίνεται για να σε βοηθήσει να λύσεις το σταυρόλεξο.

COUNTRYSIDE * COUNTRYSIDE * COUNTRYSIDE * COUNTRYSIDE

EX.	It's a small town, with few houses.	V I L L A G E
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21.	It looks like the sea, but it's much smaller and the water has no salt.	L _____
22.	It's a thing above or over a river to help people cross it.	B _____
23.	It looks like a very big hill. It can be rocky or very green with trees and animals.	M _____
24.	It's a piece of land with a house on it. Workers plant vegetables and crops, and keep lots of animals.	F _____
25.	It is in the countryside and it has a lot of trees, flowers and birds.	F _____

ACTIVITY 6

Read the text and for each gap (26-28) choose the best word (A-E), as in the example. There are two words you do not need.

Διάβασε αυτό το κείμενο και για κάθε κενό (26-28) διάλεξε την σωστή λέξη (A-E), όπως στο παράδειγμα. Υπάρχουν δύο λέξεις που δεν χρειάζεσαι.

EX.	but	A.	ever	B.	just	C.	carefully	D.	when	E.	also
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When we sleep, we often dream. We see pictures, hear sounds and experience feelings. We sometimes see the same dream, over and over again. (EX) But scientists now have more to tell us about dreaming.

They have found that most of us forget our dreams. They have (26) _____ found that a few people see their dreams in black and white, not in colour, and that a typical dream lasts 5 to 20 minutes.

We all know that (27) _____ dreams are 'bad', they are called 'nightmares'. It is then that we feel stressed, anxious or in danger, and cannot go to sleep for some time. Why do we have nightmares? Because some of us, as scientists say, eat (28) _____ before going to bed, something that is unhealthy and dangerous! So, eat less at night so that you can enjoy your dreams!

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ACTIVITY 7

Match statements 29-32 (COLUMN A) with the appropriate answers A-F (COLUMN B), as in the example. There is one answer you do not need.

Αντιστοίχισε τις προτάσεις 29-32 (COLUMN A) με τις απαντήσεις A-F (COLUMN B), όπως στο παράδειγμα. Υπάρχει μια απάντηση την οποία δεν χρειάζεσαι.

COLUMN A		COLUMN B	
EX.	I bought some bread this morning!	A.	Maybe later, not now. Thanks!
29.	Nice to see you, Ted!	B.	He's a firefighter.
30.	May I borrow your umbrella?	C.	You too. I didn't know you were in town.
31.	What does your father do?	D.	Ok. But I need it later. I'm walking to the gym.
32.	Do you want an ice cream?	E.	No way, she can't!
		F.	Really? I got some, too!

ACTIVITY 8

Read the interview and match the questions (33-36) with the answers (A-E). There is one answer you do not need.

Διάβασε αυτή τη συνέντευξη και αντιστοίχισε τις ερωτήσεις (33-36) με τις απαντήσεις (A-E) του κειμένου. Υπάρχει μια απάντηση την οποία δεν χρειάζεσαι.

Young talent!



- 33.** Maria, you're only 16 and probably the only teenager in Italy who has thought of using computer parts to make jewelry! Who gave you this idea?
- 34.** What exactly do you use to make your jewelry?
- 35.** Is it true that you are now selling your jewelry online?
- 36.** What are your future plans?

- A.** Oh, yes! And I'm very excited. After school, I do my homework and then I check my emails and immediately send what my customers ask for! My dad helps me sometimes.
- B.** I don't know, really. It may be dangerous if you are using very sharp tools but, up to now, I haven't had an accident, thank God!
- C.** I want to help my parents as much as possible. Then, I also want to learn more about how to make unusual jewels. I love strange things!
- D.** Well, my parents have a computer repair shop and I often spend long hours there. One day I heard about a 13-year-old girl in the USA who uses computer parts to make earrings. So, this is how it all started!
- E.** I use the keys from computer keyboards, keys like *F1*, *Delete*, *Home* but I also use some other parts from the hardware.

An interview with a gifted teenager:

Maria Veneziano




ACTIVITY 9

Read the 4 texts below and choose the best answer (A, B, or C) for items 37-41, as in the example.

Διάβασε τα 4 κείμενα και διάλεξε τη σωστή απάντηση (A, B, ή C) για τα ερωτήματα 37-41, όπως στο παράδειγμα.

1

To avoid any damage to your MP3, use 2 D (IEC LR20) batteries. In order not to lose the date, time, language, the custom list or the files while changing the batteries, you must be sure the MP3 is turned off. Also, it should take you less than five minutes to remove the old and install the new batteries.



2


DECORATE YOUR OWN ROOM

Decorating or redecorating your room is a chance for you to feel comfortable in your own house!

But, try to find decorating ideas that are practical. Use furniture that can go with different decorating styles to save money. Remember you do not need to spend a fortune to make something look nice and feel right!




3



Once upon a time, there were three little pigs. One day they decided to leave home and their mother told them: "Remember children, whatever you choose to do, do it well! This is how you'll succeed in life!"

The first little pig was a little too lazy so he built a house of straw because it was easier to build. The second little pig was really curious....

4



I have a dog but he won't play.
I have a dog but he sleeps all day.
He doesn't bark when in the dark!
He doesn't eat, not even meat!
He's not so young, poor thing...
What do you think?

EX. Text 1 may be interesting to someone

- A. who has a new MP3.
- B. who is selling his/her MP3.
- C. who has lost his/her MP3.

37. A good title for text 1 is:

- A. Changing your MP3 batteries.
- B. Recycling your MP3 batteries.
- C. Losing your MP3 files.

38. Text 2 is about

- A. changing rooms.
- B. fixing up your room.
- C. buying furniture for your room.

39. Text 2 may be interesting to someone who wants to make his room nicer but doesn't have

- A. a big house.
- B. a lot of money.
- C. much free time.

40. Text 3 is an extract from a

- A. school book.
- B. a novel.
- C. a fairy tale.

41. The poem in text 4 is about a dog that is probably

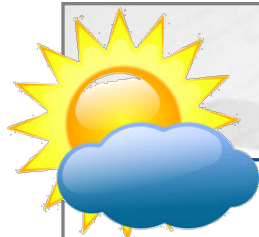
- A. stupid.
- B. lazy.
- C. old.

ACTIVITY 10

Read the text and fill in the gaps (42-45) with one of the words from the table (A-F), as in the example. There is one option you do not need.

Διάβασε το κείμενο και συμπλήρωσε τα κενά (42-45) με τη σωστή επιλογή (A-F), όπως στο παράδειγμα. Υπάρχει μια επιλογή που δεν χρειάζεται.

A. windiest	B. wettest	C. hottest	D. greatest	E. coldest	F. driest
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WEATHER RECORDS

Read about these extreme weather conditions and these amazing weather facts recorded by weather stations all over the world!

- The (EX) driest place on Earth seems to be the Atacama Desert in Chile. It sees almost no rain at all: less than 0.01 cm of rain per year!
- The (42) _____ temperature ever recorded in history was at Vostok, Antarctica. The temperature fell to - 89.2 °C!
- The (43) _____ place on Earth is probably in Libya. In September 1922, the temperature rose to 57.8 °C!
- The (44) _____ temperature change ever recorded in one day was in Browning, Montana, USA, on the 23-24 January 1916: the temperature varied from 6.7 °C to minus 49 °C! A difference of almost 56 degrees in only 24 hours!
- Finally, the (45) _____ place on Earth seems to be Commonwealth Bay, George V Coast, Antarctica where some very strong winds reach speeds of around 322 km/h!

ACTIVITY 11

Use the correct form of the words in parentheses to fill in the gaps (46-50), as in the example.

Χρησιμοποίησε τη σωστή μορφή των λέξεων στην παρένθεση για να συμπληρώσεις τα κενά (46-50), όπως στο παράδειγμα.

ATTICAPARK
zoological park

A place you have to visit!

Are you (EX) interested (interest) in rare and exotic birds? Then, you have to visit the Attica Zoological Park in Spata, near Athens. Believe it or not, it hosts the third largest bird (46) _____ (collect) in the world, with more than 1,100 birds. But that is not all. You can also find lions, bears, wild cats, giraffes, zebras, wolves as well as monkeys, snakes, hippos, alligators and other animals.

The Attica Zoological Park is naturally a (47) _____ (wonder) place to learn about birds or about your (48) _____ (favour) animals but also an (49) _____ (excite) place to relax, have fun, meet friends or have your own party! Finally, it is a great place to buy beautiful gifts for animal lovers: you will surely find something for them in its most (50) _____ (attract) gift shop!



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