



SUBIECTELE

LA LIMBA ENGLEZĂ

Choose the correct answer *a, b, c* or *d*.

Partea I: CITIT

When I started secondary school, I thought it would be great having a shop in school where we could buy what we wanted for lunch. In primary school, we had the choice of school meals, which meant you had to have what was on the menu that day, or a packed lunch which you brought from home. However, the reality was very different. The shop offered mainly chocolates, crisps and fizzy drinks, which are not exactly healthy lunch options, so I started bringing a packed lunch to school, but some of my classmates made fun of me because they thought I couldn't afford to buy lunch from the shop.

1. What was the writer looking forward to at secondary school?

- a) spending money in the school shop
- b) deciding which school meal she wanted each day
- c) having the option of taking a packed lunch to school
- d) being able to choose whatever she wanted to eat

2. In the writer's opinion, the food options available at her secondary school were _____

- a) not as healthy as they should have been.
- b) better than those she had had at her previous school.
- c) so expensive that some students couldn't afford them.
- d) very popular with the students at the school.

Some years ago, our head teacher decided to start a school newspaper and get as many students as possible to take on the job of producing it – and parents, too. Some of my friends joined the newspaper team immediately and enjoyed it. I'd always loved creative writing and drawing cartoons, which I thought would be perfect in the newspaper, so I signed up. My dad, who's a journalist, was pleased – he thought that even though I wasn't keen on a job like his, the newspaper would be a great opportunity for me. And he was right – I loved it! Dad often came along to give advice, which was popular with the students.

My first job was writing a report about a sports event – a writing style I'd never attempted before. But Dad reminded me it was similar in some ways to writing a story – getting information in the right order. Once I'd understood that, there was no stopping me – and after my first efforts, I developed quite a professional style, which was brilliant. Sometimes, the team couldn't use what I'd written, or my cartoons, for whatever reason, but I didn't mind. And sometimes it was hard to finish stuff on time, but I usually got there.

3. The writer decided to join the newspaper because _____

- a) he liked the idea of being part of a team.
- b) his friends had encouraged him to do so.
- c) he had ideas about some work he could do for it.
- d) he was considering a career in journalism.

4. When the writer first started working on the newspaper, he was _____

- a) delighted at the way his writing skills improved.
- b) pleased to find he could make use of his art skills.
- c) worried he'd be late completing some of his writing.
- d) disappointed when his stories sometimes weren't used.

Since I was a child who stood in my grandmother's kitchen sniffing the delicious smell of freshly baked bread and homemade soups, I've known there is only one thing I want to do in life: cook. So, when I spotted an advert on a website inviting young people to apply for a TV cooking competition, there was little doubt I'd be first in line to take part. I thought 'This could be the beginning of my cooking career!'

The application process was far from straightforward, as I soon discovered. First, I had to fill in a lengthy form, detailing everything from how I became interested in cooking (that was the easy part), to things like what I hoped to get out of being part of the show (these were much trickier!). Once I'd got through that stage of the process, the next step was to cook a dish for the show's judges: scary but exciting, too. If that was good enough, I'd be invited to take part in the four-week televised competition. One person, selected by the judges, would be voted out of the competition in each programme, until the winner was announced during the final.

5. What is the writer's purpose in the first paragraph?

- a) to highlight the writer's relationship with her grandmother
- b) to explain why the competition appealed to the writer
- c) to describe the kinds of meals that the writer enjoyed cooking
- d) to help readers identify with the writer's ambitious character

6. What does the writer say about applying for the competition in the second paragraph?

- a) It took much longer than she had hoped it would.
- b) The process was as complicated as she had expected it to be.
- c) She discovered details about the competition which she did not like.
- d) She found it challenging to answer some of the questions.

Partea a II-a: GRAMATICĂ ȘI VOCABULAR

7. Unless you _____ how to swim, you have to wear a life jacket.

- a) will have known
- b) don't know
- c) will know
- d) know

8. _____ she couldn't afford it, she bought a new uniform.

- a) But
- b) Although
- c) Despite
- d) However

9. The tourists were given a guided tour of _____ Houses of Parliament.

- a) a
- b) the
- c) an
- d) -

10. As soon as _____ the brochure, he decided to plan a trip to Egypt.

- a) he was reading
- b) did he read
- c) had he read
- d) he had read

11. She spends _____ money on clothes.

- a) a couple of
- b) a great number of
- c) a large amount of
- d) several

12. The travel agent told me that if I _____ to book the cruise, I _____ in advance.

- a) wanted / had to pay
- b) want / must to pay
- c) wanted / would pay
- d) want / have had to pay



13. The recruits used maps and compasses to ____ out the assigned tasks.
- make
 - check
 - carry
 - take
14. Eat healthily and exercise more; that is the key to ____ .
- healthy
 - good feeling
 - goodness
 - well-being
15. The long sea ____ lasted two weeks.
- voyage
 - trip
 - journey
 - travel
16. The island was full of ____ villages and wonderful beaches.
- good-looking
 - impressed
 - picturesque
 - imposing
17. Could you help me ____ these leaflets? They're for the new gym that has just opened on the base.
- hand in
 - give out
 - take in
 - pass by
18. Put your hand in cold water. That will help to ____ the pain of the burn.
- avoid
 - resist
 - relieve
 - bear

NOTĂ: Toți itemii sunt obligatorii. Pentru fiecare item corect rezolvat se acordă 0,5 puncte. Se alocă 1 punct din oficiu.

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