

ALFOAA SCHOOL

Grade 8 English Practice Questions Booklet

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Part	Question Type	Focus
1	Vocabulary	World Festivals + Great Expeditions
2	Grammar	Future, past, passive, conjunctions, gerunds
3A	True / False / Not Given	National Festivals
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Part 1: Vocabulary Practice - Page 1

Choose A, B or C. Each sentence has two gaps.

Focus words: journey, travel, holy, mosque, crowd, festival, celebrate, delicious, colourful, lanterns, explore, passenger, robot, planet, astronaut, rocket, spacecraft, zero gravity.

1. During the _____, many people carried bright _____ in the streets.

- A. festival / lanterns
- B. rocket / passengers
- C. planet / robots

2. The family made a long _____ to visit a _____ place.

- A. journey / holy
- B. crowd / dangerous
- C. object / delicious

3. The _____ entered the _____ before travelling to space.

- A. astronaut / spacecraft
- B. festival / mosque
- C. pancake / planet

4. People went to the _____ for prayer, then they shared _____ sweets.

- A. mosque / delicious
- B. rocket / terrible
- C. ship / solar

5. Scientists want to _____ Mars because it is an important _____.

- A. decorate / festival
- B. explore / planet
- C. sink / lantern

6. The _____ watched the parade and enjoyed the _____ music.

- A. crowd / colourful
- B. passenger / zero
- C. object / holy

7. A _____ can help astronauts do difficult work in _____.

- A. robot / space
- B. pancake / prayer
- C. crowd / mosque

8. The old _____ began to _____ after it hit a large rock.

- A. ship / sink
- B. festival / land
- C. lantern / travel

Choose the best word pair to complete each sentence.

1. The museum showed an ancient _____ from a famous sea _____.
A. object / expedition
B. lantern / pancake
C. mosque / crowd
2. The first _____ on the rocket said the trip was a special _____.
A. passenger / experience
B. festival / prayer
C. object / disaster
3. Many families _____ their homes with _____ lights during celebrations.
A. decorate / bright
B. sink / terrible
C. explore / expensive
4. The storm was _____, so the sailors stayed inside the _____.
A. delicious / mosque
B. terrible / ship
C. holy / lantern
5. A journey to space is very _____, but it is also _____ for science.
A. expensive / important
B. colourful / delicious
C. religious / sweet
6. People _____ Eid with family meals, prayers and _____ food.
A. celebrate / delicious
B. explore / solar
C. land / dangerous
7. The _____ system includes Earth, the Moon, and other _____.
A. solar / planets
B. holy / crowds
C. festival / pancakes
8. The explorer did not want to _____ because the mountain route was _____.
A. get hurt / dangerous
B. decorate / colourful
C. pray / delicious
9. The _____ to Mecca is an important _____ experience for many Muslims.
A. journey / religious
B. robot / digital
C. spacecraft / zero
10. After the rocket landed, the astronaut looked back at _____ from the _____.
A. Earth / Moon
B. pancakes / mosque
C. lanterns / festival

Part 2: Grammar Practice - Page 1

Name: _____ Class: _____ Date: _____

Grammar focus: future with will, present continuous for future, comparatives, past simple, past continuous, present perfect passive, subordinating conjunctions, and gerunds.

1. Next week, our class _____ the space exhibition at the science centre.

- A. is visiting
- B. visited
- C. visit

2. I think people _____ travel to Mars more easily in the future.

- A. will
- B. were
- C. did

3. Travelling by rocket is _____ than travelling by plane.

- A. more expensive
- B. most expensive
- C. expensive than

4. The explorers _____ across the desert in 1910.

- A. travelled
- B. were travelling
- C. have travelling

5. At 8 p.m. yesterday, the astronauts _____ inside the space station.

- A. were working
- B. worked
- C. work

6. Many new planets _____ by scientists using powerful telescopes.

- A. have been discovered
- B. has discovered
- C. have discover

7. The journey continued _____ the weather was terrible.

- A. although
- B. so
- C. and

8. _____ different cultures helps students understand the world.

- A. Learning about
- B. Learn about
- C. Learnt about

Read the text and choose the correct answer for each gap.

A School Project about Space

Last month, our school prepared a special project about space exploration. We learned that many spacecraft (1) _____ into space by different countries. Next Thursday, our class (2) _____ a space museum to see models of rockets and satellites. I think the trip (3) _____ really exciting because we will learn how astronauts live in zero gravity. While our teacher (4) _____ the lesson yesterday, she showed us a video about the Moon. Exploring space is (5) _____ than exploring the sea because astronauts need special suits, training and careful planning.

1. Gap 1:

- A. have been sent
- B. has sent
- C. are send

2. Gap 2:

- A. is visiting
- B. visited
- C. will visited

3. Gap 3:

- A. will be
- B. was being
- C. has been

4. Gap 4:

- A. was explaining
- B. explains
- C. has explained

5. Gap 5:

- A. more dangerous
- B. dangerous than
- C. most dangerous

Challenge: Write one sentence using because, although, or when.

Read the text. Choose True, False or Not Given.

National Festivals

National festivals are important because they help people remember their history and celebrate their identity. In the UAE, National Day is celebrated every year on December 2nd. Schools, homes and public places are often decorated with flags, lights and colourful displays. Many families attend shows, watch fireworks and share traditional food. Some students prepare performances, poems and exhibitions about the country. These activities teach young people about respect, unity and responsibility. National festivals are not only about fun; they also help people feel proud of their culture and understand how the past connects to the present.

1. National festivals help people remember their history.

- A. True
- B. False
- C. Not Given

2. UAE National Day is celebrated on December 2nd.

- A. True
- B. False
- C. Not Given

3. The text says National Day is celebrated only inside schools.

- A. True
- B. False
- C. Not Given

4. All families travel abroad during National Day.

- A. True
- B. False
- C. Not Given

5. Some students prepare performances and exhibitions.

- A. True
- B. False
- C. Not Given

6. The text mentions the exact number of fireworks shows in the UAE.

- A. True
- B. False
- C. Not Given

Read the text. Choose True, False or Not Given.

Festivals Around the World

Festivals around the world are celebrated in different ways. During Eid, many Muslims go to the mosque for prayer, visit relatives and share meals. In some countries, people decorate streets with bright lanterns and prepare special sweets. Other festivals include parades, music and traditional clothes. Although celebrations may look different, many festivals have similar purposes. They bring families together, encourage kindness and remind people of important values. Visitors who attend festivals often learn new words, taste new food and understand different cultures better.

- 1. During Eid, many Muslims go to the mosque for prayer.**
 - A. True
 - B. False
 - C. Not Given
- 2. Every festival in the world uses lanterns.**
 - A. True
 - B. False
 - C. Not Given
- 3. Some festivals include parades and traditional clothes.**
 - A. True
 - B. False
 - C. Not Given
- 4. The text says visitors must buy expensive tickets to attend festivals.**
 - A. True
 - B. False
 - C. Not Given
- 5. Festivals can help visitors understand different cultures better.**
 - A. True
 - B. False
 - C. Not Given
- 6. All festivals have exactly the same traditions.**
 - A. True
 - B. False
 - C. Not Given

Read the text. Choose A, B or C.

Travels in Africa

In the nineteenth century, many explorers travelled through Africa to learn more about its rivers, deserts and wildlife. These journeys were difficult because maps were not always correct, and travellers often faced heat, illness and dangerous animals. Explorers needed strong teams to carry food, water and equipment. They also depended on local guides who understood the land and knew the safest routes. Some expeditions helped people learn about new places, but they also created problems when visitors did not respect local communities. Today, modern explorers use cameras, satellites and GPS to study places more safely. They can share information quickly and help protect important environments.

1. Why were old expeditions in Africa difficult?

- A. Maps were not always correct.
- B. Explorers had too many cameras.
- C. The journeys were always short.

2. Who helped explorers find safe routes?

- A. Local guides
- B. Filmmakers
- C. Astronauts

3. The word equipment means:

- A. tools and things needed for a task
- B. a type of festival food
- C. a dangerous animal

4. What is one problem mentioned in the text?

- A. Some visitors did not respect local communities.
- B. All explorers refused to use maps.
- C. There were no rivers in Africa.

5. What do modern explorers use today?

- A. Satellites and GPS
- B. Lanterns and pancakes
- C. Mosques and prayers

6. What is the main idea of the text?

- A. Exploration has changed from difficult journeys to safer modern study.
- B. Festivals are celebrated around the world.
- C. Spacecraft are faster than ships.

7. What can we infer about local guides?

- A. They had useful knowledge about the land.
- B. They were not important to expeditions.
- C. They only worked in space stations.

Part 3B: Reading Multiple Choice - Page 2

Read the text. Choose A, B or C.

Exploring Space

Space exploration is one of the most challenging types of expedition. Astronauts must train for years before they can travel in a spacecraft. They learn how to work in zero gravity, repair equipment and stay calm during emergencies. A rocket launch is expensive and dangerous, so every mission is planned carefully. Robots are also important in space because they can explore planets where humans cannot land safely. For example, robots can take photos, collect information and study the surface of Mars. Although space travel is difficult, it helps scientists understand Earth, the Moon and the solar system.

1. Why must astronauts train for years?

- A. Space missions are difficult and dangerous.
- B. They need to cook pancakes.
- C. They only travel for fun.

2. What can robots do in space?

- A. Take photos and collect information
- B. Celebrate festivals
- C. Build mosques

3. The word mission means:

- A. an important task or journey
- B. a colourful sweet
- C. a type of weather

4. Why are rocket launches planned carefully?

- A. They are expensive and dangerous.
- B. They are easy and cheap.
- C. They happen every day at school.

5. What planet is mentioned in the text?

- A. Mars
- B. Jupiter
- C. Venus

6. What is the overall meaning of the text?

- A. Space exploration is difficult but useful for science.
- B. Astronauts do not need training.
- C. Robots are only used in festivals.

7. What can we infer about robots?

- A. They can go to places that may be unsafe for humans.
- B. They replace all scientists.
- C. They cannot collect information.

Read the text. Choose A, B or C.

Should We Spend Money on Space Travel?

Some people believe that space travel should receive more money because it leads to important discoveries. They say that studying other planets helps us understand Earth better and develop new technology. For example, satellites help with weather reports, communication and maps. However, other people argue that space travel is too expensive. They believe governments should spend more money on schools, hospitals and protecting the environment. In my opinion, space exploration is valuable, but it should be balanced with the needs of people on Earth. If countries work together, they can share costs and make discoveries that benefit everyone.

1. What is one reason people support space travel?

- A. It leads to important discoveries.
- B. It stops all weather reports.
- C. It is always cheap.

2. What do satellites help with?

- A. Weather reports, communication and maps
- B. Only cooking and shopping
- C. Building lanterns

3. Why do some people disagree with spending money on space travel?

- A. They think money should support schools, hospitals and the environment.
- B. They think space travel is too easy.
- C. They dislike all technology.

4. The writer's opinion is that space exploration should be:

- A. balanced with needs on Earth
- B. stopped completely
- C. the only thing countries pay for

5. The word valuable means:

- A. important and useful
- B. dangerous and terrible
- C. bright and colourful

6. What prediction can we make if countries work together?

- A. They may share costs and benefit more people.
- B. They will stop using satellites.
- C. They will never explore space again.

7. What type of text is this?

- A. Argumentative text
- B. Recipe
- C. Personal letter

Read the text. Choose A, B or C.

Why Festivals Matter

World festivals are more than colourful events; they are also a way to protect culture. When children join festivals, they learn stories, songs, food traditions and values from older generations. Tourists can also learn about a country by watching parades, visiting museums and speaking to local people. Some people worry that festivals may become too commercial if they focus only on shopping and entertainment. I think festivals should be enjoyable, but they should also teach respect. A successful festival keeps its traditions alive while welcoming visitors from different backgrounds.

1. According to the text, festivals help protect:

- A. culture
- B. rockets
- C. zero gravity

2. What can children learn during festivals?

- A. Stories, songs, food traditions and values
- B. Only how to travel in space
- C. Nothing about culture

3. Why do some people worry about festivals?

- A. They may focus only on shopping and entertainment.
- B. They are never enjoyable.
- C. They are always held in space.

4. The word commercial means:

- A. focused on buying and selling
- B. connected to prayer only
- C. impossible to understand

5. What does the writer think festivals should teach?

- A. Respect
- B. Danger
- C. Silence

6. Which sentence shows the best overall meaning?

- A. Festivals should be enjoyable and protect traditions.
- B. Festivals should stop welcoming visitors.
- C. Festivals are only about food.

7. What can we infer about tourists?

- A. They can learn about culture through festival activities.
- B. They cannot understand any traditions.
- C. They only visit space stations.

Answer Key

For teacher use or self-checking

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