

I. Open the brackets using the verbs in the right form (20 points)

Since I was a child who stood in my grandmother's kitchen sniffing the delicious smell of freshly baked bread and homemade soups, I 1) _____ *have known* _____ (*know*) there is only one thing I want to do in life: cook. So, when I 2) _____ *spotted* _____ (*spot*) an advert on a website inviting young people to apply for a TV cooking competition, there was little doubt I 3) _____ *would be* _____ (*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 4) _____ *discovered* _____ (*discover*). First, I had 5) _____ *to fill* _____ (*fill*) in a lengthy form, detailing everything from how I 6) _____ *became* _____ (*become*) interested in cooking, to things like what I 7) _____ *hoped* _____ (*hope*) to get out of being part of the show. Once I 8) _____ *had got / got* _____ (*get*) through that stage of the process, the next step was to cook a test dish for the show's judges: scary but exciting, too. If that was good enough, I 9) _____ *would be invited* _____ (*invite*) to take part in the four-week televised competition.

Until I had to create a test dish, I 10) _____ *had been* _____ (*be*) pretty positive about my cooking ability. But suddenly I 11) _____ *found* _____ (*find*) myself up against 11 other young people who 12) _____ *had been cooking* _____ (*cook*) for longer. Some of them 13) _____ *had even had / even had* _____ (*even / have*) part-time jobs as waiters. As I 14) _____ *was standing / stood* _____ (*stand*) at my counter in the test kitchen, ready to start cooking, I remembered my grandmother's advice: 'Stick to what you know best'.

The judges 15) _____ *tasted* _____ (*taste*) each test dish and 16) _____ *sent* _____ (*send*) us all home. Then the wait 17) _____ *began* _____ (*begin*). I wondered if I 18) _____ *had made / would make* _____ (*make*) it to the televised competition. Eventually, the phone call 19) _____ *came* _____ (*come*). They said I 20) _____ *would be* _____ (*be*) in the first live programme of the series the following week!

II. Insert articles or prepositions (put '-' if you think there should be nothing in the gap) (20 points)

Balamurali Ambati was clearly very talented as 21) _____ *a* _____ boy, studied hard at school and did well. Along 22) _____ *with* _____ his older brother, he co-authored 23) _____ *a* _____ medical manual aged just 11 aimed 24) _____ *at* _____ would-be doctors. It was already obvious what he wanted to become – 25) _____ *a* _____ doctor, and so he worked hard on achieving his dream. He graduated 26) _____ *from* _____ New York University when he was 13, began 27) _____ - _____ medical school when he was 14, attending 28) _____ *the* _____ Mount Sinai School of Medicine, also in New York. Being very tall, he didn't stand 29) _____ *out* _____ as being different, and so 30) _____ - _____ people assumed he was 31) _____ *the* _____ same age as 32) _____ *the* _____ other students on his course. He graduated aged just 17, becoming 33) _____ *the* _____ world's youngest doctor, 34) _____ *a* _____ record which he still holds. And, 35) _____ - _____ these days, Ambati is now 36) _____ - _____ Professor of Neurobiology at 37) _____ *the* _____ University of Utah, and works as 38) _____ *a* _____ volunteer with 39) _____ *the* _____ ORBIS Flying Eye Hospital, teaching in developing nations 40) _____ *across / around* _____ the globe.

III. Insert only one word in each gap (20 points)

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