

SUBIECTELE LA LIMBA ENGLEZĂ

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

Partea I: CITIT

The teenage snowboarder, 15-year-old Vanessa Hanson, writes about her sport

I was born in Denver, USA, and started snowboarding aged eight. I developed a love of snowboarding and improved my ability too. I started competing aged ten.

During the summer, I focus on training and my studies while there's no snow. Although I train daily, it's nice not having to stick to quite a strict diet like I do in the winter. I also get to spend lots of time with my friends then. It's the best way of dealing with not being able to do what I love so much and what I'm really good at.

I have to think carefully about my future. Snowboarding is such a huge part of my life now, but I also feel it's important to have something else I can do, just in case I don't succeed as a professional snowboarder or if I get injured. I'm wondering whether becoming a doctor is a possibility, if my active life allows time for doing a college degree. It's impossible to imagine myself growing tired of the sport, but I can't go on snowboarding my whole life.

1. In the summer, Vanessa enjoys

- a) the good weather where she lives
- b) not having to train regularly
- c) being able to eat whatever she likes
- d) having plenty of time to do her schoolwork

2. Vanessa says that in the future, snowboarding

- a) may not be her main career
- b) will be a way for her to make a lot of money
- c) might not always be interesting for her
- d) will help her stay fit and healthy

'Seeing ourselves in the virtual world can be beneficial, but it may also have a dark side', Alan Rogers reports.

As you approach the boarding gate, your heart starts beating faster and you begin to sweat. You begin to panic as your fear of flying threatens to overwhelm you. Despite your urge to flee, you continue to move forward in an orderly fashion. So, how did you resist the temptation to leave the airport? The simple answer is by not being there in the first place. You have lived the whole experience through your avatar, an animation that represents you in a virtual environment. In reality, you were never at the airport: you were only there on a computer. However, according to recent research, the experience of watching your digital look-alike deal with anxiety in a simulated airport and board a plane is real enough to help you cope with such a situation in the real world.

3. Why does the writer describe the situation at an airport?

- a) to show how common air travel is
- b) to illustrate how dangerous flying can be
- c) to give an example of a stressful experience
- d) to advise people to avoid things they dislike

4. Which use of the virtual world is described in the text?

- a) playing a role in an online game
- b) training people for jobs at airports
- c) as a way of getting airline tickets
- d) as part of a treatment to overcome fear

I didn't follow the normal route to university. Most of my teenage friends stayed on at school, passed their exams, chose their favourite university and continued their education. I couldn't wait to get to work and left without any qualifications, feeling that having a salary was more important. I spent a few years doing different jobs but always wondered what might have happened if I had followed my friends' example.

It was ten years later, in my late twenties, and after I discovered a love of history, that I finally decided I wanted to go to university. I thought about giving up my job and spending a year at college getting the exams I needed for university, but I couldn't afford to do this. So I decided to study on a distance-learning course and keep my job. This was long before the internet and online learning.

5. How did the author feel about going to university when he left school?

- a) He wanted to be like his friends.
- b) He didn't think he could get the qualifications he needed.
- c) He regretted not going.
- d) He wanted to earn money.

6. The author chose a distance learning course ...

- a) because he loved his job
- b) so he could continue working
- c) because he couldn't find a history course at college
- d) because it was too late to go to college

Partea a II-a: GRAMATICĂ ȘI VOCABULAR

7. How often does the cadet train ... night?

- a) at
- b) for
- c) on
- d) in

8. She is appreciated by her superior, because she has acquired ... experience.

- a) many
- b) much
- c) no
- d) few

9. Have you seen the soldier ... has recently joined our platoon?

- a) which
- b) what
- c) whom
- d) who

10. I promise you that the matter ...

- a) is looking into
- b) will be looked into
- c) has looked into
- d) will be looking into

11. As the captain was inspecting the rooms, the colonel ... him.

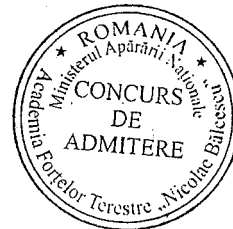
- a) supervised
- b) was supervising
- c) was supervised
- d) had supervised

12. He's very skilled at building bridges. He builds them ... than the other engineers.

- a) easier
- b) easiest
- c) more easier
- d) more easily

13. We need to borrow some books for our school project. Let's go to the ...!

- a) library
- b) shop
- c) supermarket
- d) bookstore



14. Artillery readings must be very ... in order to hit their targets.

- a) available
- b) imprecise
- c) accurate
- d) inexact

15. When you report to the commander, you need to go to ...

- a) the infirmary
- b) the headquarters
- c) the guard room
- d) the gate

16. You must tell me the results now! I can't bear the ...

- a) suspenders
- b) suspending
- c) suspension
- d) suspense

17. After the campaign, a special medal was ... to all combatants.

- a) awarded
- b) deserved
- c) earned
- d) gained

18. I'm afraid we shall have to call ... the match on account of the bad weather.

- a) back
- b) in
- c) off
- d) on

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