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**SECTION 1. QUESTION FORMATION. Complete the sentences with an appropriate question.**

1. \_\_\_\_\_ ?  
That's Mick's stuff.
2. \_\_\_\_\_ ?  
Jane and I met in Elementary School, and we immediately became great friends.
3. \_\_\_\_\_ ?  
Because I was really embarrassed about the whole situation.
4. \_\_\_\_\_ ?  
I'll be there this afternoon, from 3 to 5.
5. \_\_\_\_\_ ?  
I need help with this mobile phone. It doesn't work!

**SECTION 2. WORD FORMATION. Using the words in parenthesis, form a new word using any suitable prefix or suffix. You can create a noun from a verb, an adjective from noun, a verb from a noun / adjective or an adverb from an adjective, making all the necessary changes to the base form.**

**Ex.** My \_\_\_\_\_ are very polite. (study)  
My *students* are very polite.

1. An announcement in a newspaper or on television about an event, a product, or job is also called an \_\_\_\_\_. (**ADVERT**)
2. They have arrested a number of leading opposition \_\_\_\_\_. (**POLITICS**)
3. In this book there is no \_\_\_\_\_. (**SENTIMENT**)
4. It was his \_\_\_\_\_ routine to have a whisky before his tea. (**HABIT**)
5. I consider it \_\_\_\_\_ strange that people accept this kind of behaviour. (**BELIEVE**)



9. A: How long have you been working here?  
B: I have worked here \_\_\_\_\_ 2004.  
(A) from (B) since (C) for
10. We \_\_\_\_\_ TV at the moment.  
(A) watch (B) watching (C) are watching
11. I'm sorry, I can't lend you my car because the mechanic \_\_\_\_\_ it yet.  
(A) didn't repair (B) isn't repairing (C) hasn't repaired
12. My parents stayed \_\_\_\_\_ last weekend.  
(A) in home (B) at home (C) on their house
13. They \_\_\_\_\_ there to listen to the news yesterday afternoon.  
(A) sitted (B) sat (C) have sat
14. Will you wait \_\_\_\_\_ me, please?  
(A) for (B) at (C) about
15. They are going to meet \_\_\_\_\_ at the railway station.  
(A) she (B) her (C) hers
16. Americans drive \_\_\_\_\_.  
(A) imprudently (B) imprudent (C) prudent
17. \_\_\_\_\_ under 14 must be accompanied by an adult.  
(A) Child (B) Children (C) Childs
18. "Whose is that bag?" "It's \_\_\_\_\_".  
(A) my (B) myne (C) mine
19. John never \_\_\_\_\_ coffee. He doesn't like it.  
(A) is drinking (B) drank (C) drinks

**SECTION 5. READING COMPREHENSION. Read carefully the text about Dominic O' Leary and then answer the questions.**

**“WORLD CHAMPION MEMORY MAN”**

Dominic O'Leary is the man with the best memory in the world. He can tell you the day of any date in any year. What day was April 21, 1876? 'Wednesday', says Dominic. He can remember the teams and the scores of every football match in every World Cup. And he became world champion memory man when he remembered the order of thirty-five packs of playing cards!

At school, Dominic was a pupil who couldn't remember his lessons. 'My maths and English teachers said I was stupid because I could never remember what they taught me'. But four years ago he saw a programme on television which showed people how to improve their memory, and last October he became world champion. 'I remembered the order of thirty-five packs of cards', said Dominic. 'It was quite easy'. Dominic, 34, can earn £ 800 a day on European TV programmes.

He lives with his wife, Alison, a clothes designer, in a small village near Bath, and he is the manager of an office cleaning company. In his free time, Dominic loves number games and crosswords, writing music, and playing the piano. He says children can learn to improve their memory from the age of five. "Then they can do anything", he says.

**A. Read the article about Dominic O' Leary and decide if the first four sentences are correct or incorrect. Tick ✓ A (YES = correct) or X (NO = incorrect).**

1. Dominic can remember the teams and the scores of every basketball match in every NBA series.
2. At school he was a pupil who couldn't remember his lessons.
3. He thinks children can learn to improve their memory from the age of 3.
4. His wife designs clothes.

**B. Now answer these last two questions:**

5. When did he start to improve his memory? What did he see?

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6. **Crosswords** are .....

- A. grammar mistakes
- B. word games
- C. calculations

**SECTION 5. WRITING.** Choose **ONE** of the following and write a text of about **50** words.

- 1. Make some notes about the most important events that have happened in your life. Include these ideas:**
  - a. Where where were you born? When?
  - b. Where did you go to school?
  - c. Have you ever moved house? Where and when?
  - d. Do you have any hobbies or interests? What? When did they start?
  - e. Have you travelled to different countries? Where and when?
  - f. Have you taken any important exams? What and when?
  
- 2. Write a paragraph about Italy and the Italians. Write about: the population, popular holiday destinations, popular sports or hobbies, popular food and drinks.**
  
- 3. Write about your education. Describe where you studied or where you are studying now. What did/do you like or not like? Have you taken any courses apart from your formal education?**