

1) Choose the correct answer.

The development of writing (1) beginning of the (2)a huge difference to the world and we might see it as the (3) Pieces of pottery with marks on that are probably numbers have been ... in China that date from around 4000 BC. Hieroglyphics and other forms of picture writing developed in the (4) around Mesopotamia (modern-day Iraq), where the (5) civilization was based, from around 3300 BC onwards. However, the first (6) Sumerian alphabet was used by the Phoenicians around 1050 BC. Their alphabet had 22 letters and it is (7) that it lasted for 1000 years. The first two signs were called 'aleph' and 'beth' which in Greek became 'alpha' and 'beta', which gave us the (8) word 'alphabet'! The modern European alphabet is based on the Greek and (9) to other European countries under the Romans. A number of changes took (10) ... as time (11)The Romans added the letter G, and the letters J and V were (12) to people in Shakespeare's time. If we (13) the history of punctuation, we also find some interesting facts. The Romans used to write quæsto at the end of a sentence in (14) ... to show that it was a question. They started to write Qo in (15)of the whole word, and then put the Q above the o. In the end, that became the question mark'?

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| 1 | A did | B had | C made | D took |
| 2 | A media | B bulletin | C programme | D journalism |
| 3 | A invented | B displayed | C discovered | D appeared |
| 4 | A distance | B area | C length | D earth |
| 5 | A antique | B old-fashioned | C ancient | D dated |
| 6 | A true | B accurate | C exact | D precise |
| 7 | A observed | B measured | C counted | D estimated |
| 8 | A new | B trendy | C modern | D fashionable |
| 9 | A spread | B appeared | C was | D occurred |
| 10 | A place | B part | C control | D account |
| 11 | A spent | B passed | C went | D developed |
| 12 | A infamous | B unpopular | C unknown | D hidden |
| 13 | A look into | B bring on | C make off | D hold up |
| 14 | A turn | B fact | C order | D intention |
| 15 | A position | B space | C spot | D place |

2) Use the word given in capitals at the end of each line to form a word that fits in the gap in the same line

Some (1) become known for their intelligence and avoid being caught for years. CRIME

Others are just so stupid that it seems (2) RIDICULE

Take, for instance, one (3), who decided that he was feeling a little tired half-way ROB through burgling a house. Seeing the (4) bed, he decided to take a nap. COMFORT

It may seem (5), but he was still asleep when the owners got home! BELIEF

They (6) called the police, who came to arrest Sleeping Beauty right away! NERVOUS

Another (7)..... story is that of the man who stole a (8) camera. HUMOUR SECURE

He managed to steal the camera (9) but left the tape behind. EQUIP

It was used as (10) in court because, of course, it showed him taking the camera! EVIDENT

3) Choose the correct answer.

1 I don't like.... on clothes in shops because I don't want people to see me in something that doesn't suit me.

- A putting
- B trying
- C wearing
- D handing

2 I'm not sure a green skirt ... combination with a blue top is such a good idea.

- A on
- B at
- C in
- D for

3 Everyone complimented Kitty ... her new outfit.

- A on
- B to
- C in
- D from

4 I think some modern designs are more like ... of art.

- A makes
- B works
- C objects
- D jobs

5 I wish people didn't ... a tendency to follow fashion without thinking about what suits them personally.

- A do
- B make
- C gets
- D have

6 I don't think T-shirts and jeans will ever go ... of style, do you?

- A away
- B out
- C off
- D down

7 Make sure you ... your make-up with a soft brush, like this one.

- A apply
- B construct
- C decorate
- D dress

8 If you wear that shirt with the ... pattern, you'll look like a chessboard!

- A plain
- B striped
- C shiny
- D checked

9 You always seem to look so formal. If only you would ... your hair down!

- A get
- B set
- C put
- D let

10 The latest trend ... footwear is to wear very simple, traditional shoes.

- A of
- B on
- C in
- D from

11 My sister and I share the same taste ... clothes and we wear each other's things all the time.

- A in
- B of
- C for
- D on

12 Why can't you ... Edgar's example and wear a tie to work?

- A set
- B make
- C follow
- D do

13 My dad asked me whether his clothes were ... fashion and I said they were - about twenty years ago!

- A in
- B from
- C on
- D of

ANSWER KEY

1 1 C 2 A 3 C 4 B 5 C 6 A 7 D 8 C 9 A 10 A 11 B 12 C 13 A 14 C 15 D

2 1 criminals 2 ridiculous 3 robber 4 comfortable 5 unbelievable 6 nervously 7 humorous 8 security
9 equipment 10 evidence

3 1 B 2 C 3 A 4 B 5 D 6 B 7 A 8 D 9 D 10 C 11 A 12 C 13 A