

Question 1

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The **we**_____ was awful and it rained **a**__ weekend. We were **so**_____ wet and I **be**___ to wish that I **h**__ stayed at home or found a **h**____! The organisers were **ma**_____ a fortune selling umbrellas and **pl**_____ raincoats. **An**_____, the concert continued **de**_____ the weather. The organisers **ad**_____ us to keep to **t**__ special walk-ways that they had **s**__ up over the **m**__ and gave us plastic sheets to **p**__ over our tents.

Question 2

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Companies study and make use **o**_ our colour associations **a**__ preferences in order to **s**___ us their products. The packaging, for **ex**__ ____, relies heavily **o**_ colour, **b**___ to carry information and to **m**___ the product appear **m**___ attractive. Sugar **i**_ sold in packets coloured **i**_ blue because, unlike colours **s**___ as green and brown, **t**_____ colours **a**__ associated **w**___ sweetness.

Question 3

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Pablo Picasso was **b**___ in Spain on 25 October, 1881. He showed **hi**_____ to be a **ta**_____ artist as a **ch**___ and when he was 19 he **w**___ to Paris to paint. He experimented with a **va**_____ of styles, for a **t**___ painting sad subjects in **sh**___ of blue. During a **ha**_____ time, he used reds **a**__ pinks to paint **m**___ cheerful subjects **s**___ as **da**_____ and performers in circuses.

Question 4

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Week **a**_____ week, British tabloid newspapers **c**_____ pictures **w**_____ intrude **i**___ people's privacy and **b**_____ the newspaper editors' code of practice. Although pop **s**_____ do pose for paparazzi **o**_ occasion, this is **n**__ typical. More **us**_____, great damage is **d**___ to individuals in the public **e**__ when they see **t**_____ most private moments captured on the front **p**_____.

Question 5

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Matt likes to **s**_____ his holiday seeing lots of different places. 'I'm a restless **p**_____ so when I go **a**___ on holiday I don't like to be **t**___ down to one place; camping **m**_____ you can stay for two **n**_____ in one place **t**___ pack up the tent, **j**___ in the **c**__ and stay somewhere **e**___ for the next night or **t**___ and so on with no **n**___ to book **a**_____. It's a **g**_____ way to see lots of different places in a **s**_____ **p**_____ of time.'

Question 6

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We **u**___ to make a big **ef**_____ to **g**__ the children **in**_____ in charity events **a**_ I think it **h**_____ raise **t**_____ awareness of **w**_____ events and the **f**___ that in many **p**_____ there are people, **par**_____ children **l**___ themselves, **w**__ live in **v**___ different circumstances to them.

Question 7

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A **r**_____ American study **sh**_____ that 75% of the people **w**__ use the internet to **l**___ up information about **t**_____ health do **n**__ check **w**_____ that information **c**___ from, or the date it was **cr**_____. 'Once **so**_____ has been put up **o**_ the internet, even if it's **w**_____, it's difficult to **r**_____', says Sarah Jarvis, a doctor.

Question 8

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In 2009 fashion retailer Ralph Lauren made a **se**_____ of advertisements **u**_____ a model **w**__ was **s**_ heavily airbrushed **t**___ her waist appeared to **b**_ smaller than her **h**____. The ads **w**__ widely criticized in the **p**_____ and experts warned of the **ne**_____ effect **t**_____ kinds of images might **h**___ on young **g**_____.

Question 9

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When we go to the theatre we go to **s**__ the **ac**____ and their performance; the stage is the **c**____ focus point; it is **w**____ everything happens, or at **l**____ everything that the audience is **sup**____ to see. But **t**____ is so much **m**____ to putting on a performance **t**____ just the acting cast. There is a **w**____ team of **p**____ who we never see **b**__ without whom no production **w**____ be possible.

Question 10

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Alexander Bogdanov **w**__ a Russian physician, philosopher, economist, **sc**____ fiction **w**____, and revolutionary. In 1924, he **b**____ experiments **w**__ blood **tra**____ - in a **s**____ for eternal **y**____. **A**____ 11 transfusions (which he performed on **hi**____), he **de**____ that he had stopped **g**____ bald, and had improved **h**__ eyesight.

Question 11

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The music **w**__ brilliant. I particularly enjoyed **s**____ of the supporting bands - I **al**____ find they perform better **t**____ the **m**____ stars. It's probably **be**____ most of the supporting bands are not well **k**____ and this is **t**____ great **op**____ to get their **m**____ heard. I'd **re**____ recommend anyone to go to one of these **p**__ festivals, **b**__ I wish I had **bo**____ into a hotel rather than deciding to **s**____ in a tent!

Question 12

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In experiments with washing powders, **t**__ colour of the packet has been shown to **h**___ a profound influence on **ch**____. **E**___ if the powder in three sample packets – coloured yellow, blue and yellow-blue – was the same, **cu**_____ thought the **po**_____ in the yellow packet was **t**__ strong, that in the blue packet too **w**____. The **m**___ popular powder was in the yellow-blue packet. In similar research, coffee in a brown **c**__ was thought too strong and in a red can too **r**____, in a blue can, not mild **en**____, and in a yellow can too weak – **al**_____ the coffee was the same in all of **t**_____.

Question 13

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In 1937, Picasso created **o**__ of his most **f**_____ paintings, Guernica, as a demonstration of **h**__ disapproval **o**_ an air raid on a Basque **vi**_____. In Guernica, Picasso **u**___ symbolic forms **t**___ are **con**_____ found in his later **w**_____ – things **l**___ a dying horse **o**_ weeping **w**_____. Guernica **n**__ hangs **i**_ the Prado Museum in Madrid.

Question 14

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I **h**___ always loved collecting **a**__ collectors and **o**__ in three adults indulges in **t**___ hobby. It is a world of **pa**_____, envy and enthusiasm and **de**_____. However, **i**_ you enter this **w**_____, remember one **t**_____: in the **e**__, if you do not **f**___ in love with an object, **d**_ not collect it.

Question 15

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Generally, **m**_ cooking has **be**____ less complex and pretentious
o____ the **y**____ and, **al**_____ I use recipe **b**____ and TV chefs
a_ inspiration, I **t**____ to find that the **b**____ way of deciding **w**____
to **c**____ is to see what is available **w**____ I do the **sho**_____.

