

1. Jane: **Did you enjoy the play, Pelin?**

Pelin: **Very much. Thank you for organising the evening.**

Jane: \_\_\_\_\_

Pelin: **More or less. My English isn't good, but I did get the general idea.**

- A) The acting was very good. In particular I liked the old aunt.
- B) I make a point of going to all the plays in town.
- C) What did you think of the settings and the costumes?
- D) I hope you managed to follow the story.
- E) Actually, I thought it was a particularly interesting play.

2. Brother: **Did you make this cake Mary?**

Sister: **Yes.**

Brother: \_\_\_\_\_

Sister: **Only a little! Don't eat it if you don't want to.**

- A) It's not as good as the one mother makes.
- B) I thought so. It's burnt!
- C) No one will marry you if that's the best you can do!
- D) I'm going to make myself a sandwich.
- E) Good for you! This is as good as mother's cake!

3. Janet: **Will you be inviting Susan to your party?**

Lucy: **No I won't. You know I don't like her.**

Janet: \_\_\_\_\_

Lucy: **You're quite right. I'll ask her.**

- A) I wasn't expecting you to. But if you were going to, I wouldn't come.
- B) No. Neither do I. I think she gossips a lot.
- C) I know you don't. But she's been having such a hard time lately. A change would do her good.
- D) She behaved so badly at Polly's party, do you remember?
- E) None of us does. She's so proud of herself.

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4. Brian: **Dad! I need a new pair of sports shoes.**

Father : **What? It seems like only a month since I bought you a pair.**

Brian: \_\_\_\_\_

Father : **That's all right, you win. We'll buy a Better pair this time.**

- A) Thanks, but I don't need any new ones now; I'll let you know when I do.
- B) No, it's at least a year. Actually, they've lasted well.
- C) These were a birthday present from my uncle. Don't you remember?
- D) They are absolutely fine. They'll last another year at least.
- E) Two months, actually. But they were cheap, and I told you they wouldn't last.

5. James : **Do you know where I can hire a car?**

Mark: \_\_\_\_\_

James : **I'd really appreciate that. Are you sure you don't need it?**

Mark: **No, I don't need it before next week.**

- A) Hiring a car is expensive. Why don't you borrow my car?
- B) Well, there are lots of car rental agencies. You can find their phone numbers in the yellow pages.
- C) Sorry, I have no idea about where you can hire a car.
- D) I think, you'd better take a taxi.
- E) There is a car rental agency at the end of this street on your left.

6. Anna : **Excuse me, could you tell me where Julia Sullivan's office is?**

Rebecca : \_\_\_\_\_

Anna: **Yes, that's right.**

Rebecca : **Well, you are on the wrong floor. Her office is on the seventh floor.**

- A) Why do you want to see her? Is she expecting you?
- B) Do you have an appointment with her?
- C) She isn't in her office. She is out today.
- D) Julia Sullivan? Isn't she in the marketing department?
- E) She is on holiday. She'll be back next week.

7. Jane: **Sorry, I had to ring the doorbell.**

Mary: \_\_\_\_\_

Jane: **No, I seem to have lost it.**

Mary: **Then I'd better let you have my spare key.**

- A) I think we should let you have the other key.
- B) Don't tell me you've lost your key again!
- C) I wish you hadn't. Where is your key?
- D) That's all right. By the way, I've got a new key for you.
- E) Didn't you have your key with you?

8. Peter : **Are you going to the south coast again this summer?**

Dave : **No, I'm doing something different this year. I'm going climbing in Scotland.**

Peter : \_\_\_\_\_

Dave: **I haven't done it before. This will be the first time.**

- A) Really? I didn't even know you climbed.
- B) What a good idea! But why in Scotland?
- C) That sounds fun! I might join you.
- D) Well, let me know how you find Scotland.
- E) Well, let me know how you get on. I might join you another time.

9. Jennifer: **Hi mum! It's Jennifer.**

Mother: **Yes dear, is all going well? Do you need any help?**

Jennifer: \_\_\_\_\_

Mother: **Of course not! How could I have done?**

- A) No I don't. But I do feel excited!
- B) Not just now; maybe I will later. You will come early, won't you?
- C) No; I just wanted to make sure you hadn't forgotten about the concert tonight.
- D) I'm fine thanks. What will you be wearing for the concert? Wear something plain!
- E) Not really. All is in order. We might have another short rehearsal.

10. Jane: **What's your new secretary like?**

Brian: \_\_\_\_\_

Jane: **No, I really wanted to know if she's a good secretary; efficient and so on.**

Brian: **Oh yes; she's very competent and hardworking. The boss chose her!**

- A) I really don't know. She was with the old secretary all day learning about the things she has to do.
- B) It's too early to say yet. She's only been with me for a day.
- C) I've been far too busy to notice.
- D) Ask me again next week when I'll probably know what she can do.
- E) In appearance, do you mean? Well, she's turned forty and rather plain.

11. Wendy : **How often do you go to the cinema?**

Shirley : \_\_\_\_\_

Wendy : **So, I reckon you really hate watching films.**

Shirley: **I usually do; but I've seen a few films that I really enjoyed.**

- A) Never! At least not since I was taken as a child.
- B) Very rarely. Perhaps once a year, perhaps not even that.
- C) At least once a week. What about you?
- D) I don't go regularly. In fact, I'd go more often if I had time.
- E) Quite often in the winter but never in the summer.

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12. Gillian: **Was that your sister you were talking to just now?**

Pam: **Yes it was. She's just here for the weekend; she lives in Liverpool now.**

Gillian: \_\_\_\_\_

Pam: **She was offered rather a good job there and decided to take it.**

- A) I wonder what you and I will be doing three years from now.
- B) She's changed a lot. In fact, I wasn't sure it was her.
- C) She used to work in a bank, didn't she?
- D) Really? Why has she moved there?
- E) It must be awfully nice to have a big sister, I wish I had one.

13. Father: I see you're reading another book on aircraft.

Son: Yes. I got this one out of the library today. It's right up to date on aircraft design.

Father : \_\_\_\_\_

Son : Yes, I hope so. That's certainly what I want to specialize in.

- A) Are you going to make a career of aircraft design?
- B) You're not hoping to become a pilot, are you?
- C) You've always been keen on aircraft, even as a child.
- D) I can't understand why you're so interested in them!
- E) What are the major stages of aircraft design?

14. James: Does your brother find his work in the bank interesting?

Andrew : Yes. Usually anyway. In his opinion the worst thing is the hours. There is often a lot of overtime.

James : \_\_\_\_\_

Andrew : But all jobs have a fair bit of that.

- A) Yes. Someone else said that. But it is only certain times of the year, isn't it?
- B) I wouldn't mind that so long as the work is interesting.
- C) Actually, I wouldn't mind that. What I hate is routine work.
- D) It wouldn't be a problem for me if you got paid extra for it.
- E) But is there much variety in the work? That's really what I want to know.

15. Lucy: I hear Mary got the first prize in that painting competition.

Rosemary : \_\_\_\_\_

Lucy: Did she really?

Rosemary : Yes she did. I saw her painting and it really was good.

- A) She's developing a new style that is most interesting.
- B) Well, that's a surprise! She'll be pleased.
- C) I thought she might. It was a good picture.
- D) She's really a very talented young woman.
- E) Oh, I'm so glad. She certainly deserved it.

16. Tony: Are you going on a walking holiday again this year?

Andrew: No, I'm going on a cycling holiday. You can get farther on a bike.

Tony: \_\_\_\_\_

Andrew: No neither have I. It doesn't matter. We don't have to go long distances everyday.

- A) You know I'd love to join you, but I haven't done much cycling.
- B) My ideas of the perfect holiday is something much more restful.
- C) Where are you thinking of going? Somewhere mountainous?
- D) That would be too energetic for me. I'm lazy, I suppose.
- E) I think it's time I did something more adventurous like that.

17. Liz: **Do you think books for children should avoid social problems and unpleasant subjects?**

Clare: **No, I don't. Do you?**

Liz: \_\_\_\_\_

Clare: **In fact, they can often face it better than adults can!**

- A) Certainly not! The children I know are quite capable of facing reality.
- B) I'm not sure. I don't like to read about unpleasant situations myself!
- C) No. But I think the best children's books are the imaginative ones.
- D) You know I'm very fond of fairy tales, and there are a lot of problems and evil characters in them.
- E) Yes I do. Let the children live in a good world for as long as possible.

18. Brian: **Did you go to the gym last night?**

Danny : **Yes, I did. And I feel much better for it. Why don't you join me?**

Brian: \_\_\_\_\_

Danny: **Stop wondering and make it definite! Be ready at 8.15 on Friday!**

- A) I can't help wondering where you get the energy for it!
- B) I'm wondering whether my doctor will agree.
- C) No thanks! I was just wondering what it was like.
- D) Actually, I have been wondering about doing so.
- E) I wish I could. I wonder how you find time for it.

19. Charles: **Have you heard from your brother recently?**

Pat: **Yes, I have. He's really enjoying himself at the Military Academy.**

Charles: \_\_\_\_\_

Pat: **That was only natural. It really meant a new start for him and he'd never even been away from home before.**

- A) He'll do fine there. He's a natural leader you know.
- B) I knew he would be. That's why I encouraged him to go there.
- C) Of course he is! An active life like that is exactly right for him.
- D) I'm sure he will be very satisfied with the training offered.
- E) I'm glad to hear that. He seemed a bit worried about whether he would like it.

20. Andy: **Who were the Wright brothers?**

Phil: **To start with, they were bicycle repairmen in Ohio.**

Andy: \_\_\_\_\_

Phil: **Because they were the first men to design an aircraft.**

- A) Aren't they connected with the aircraft industry?
- B) Surely that's not why they are famous! Or is it?
- C) But why are they so famous?
- D) Is that why no one took them seriously?
- E) Wasn't it the wing design that made their flying machines so successful?

21. Mary: **My train leaves at 8 o'clock, so when do you think I should leave the house?**

Jenny: **You'll be taking a taxi, I suppose?**

Mary: \_\_\_\_\_

Jenny: **Even so, you'd better leave by 7.30 as there's a lot of traffic on the roads at that time.**

- A) How far is the train station? Do you know?
- B) Yes, of course. I've got a heavy suitcase.
- C) Yes. But how far away is the station?
- D) Aren't we in walking distance of the station?
- E) Yes. I'm calling a taxi right away.

22. Molly: **What do you know about Helen Keller?**

Jane: **Not very much, really, except that she was a remarkable woman.**

Molly: \_\_\_\_\_

Jane: **No. She could see and hear until she caught scarlet fever when she was 19 months old.**

- A) Was she born blind and deaf?
- B) Was she the only child?
- C) What made her so remarkable?
- D) She must have had a great deal of courage!
- E) When did she lose her eyesight?

23. Peter: **How are you planning to spend the summer?**

Kevin : **I've got a job at the local petrol station.**

Peter : \_\_\_\_\_

Kevin: **I really don't know. I'll do anything so long as I can earn a little money.**

- A) Be sure to let me know when you start.
- B) Is it open overnight?
- C) I did that once and quite enjoyed it, but the hours were long.
- D) What a good idea! I might do the same.
- E) What will you be doing there? Working in the shop?

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24. Reg: **It says here that they've brought out a new ball ready for the next European Championships.**

Steve: **Really? And what's special about it?**

Reg: \_\_\_\_\_

Steve: **Oh! The goalkeepers won't like that!**

- A) It's softer to kick, and so it will travel faster.
- B) The same firm produces the official match balls for the World Cup too.
- C) It passed all the tests without any problems.
- D) I don't know. It looks like any other soccer ball to me.
- E) It costs much less than the traditional balls to produce.

25. Greg: **Why do you want to be a geologist? Are you hoping to find oil?**

Tony: **No. I want to study volcanic activity. I'm sure one ought to be able to predict earthquakes pretty accurately.**

Greg: \_\_\_\_\_

Tony: **I wouldn't mind that at all. It would be far preferable to sitting in an office all day.**

- A) Are earthquakes as dangerous as volcanoes?
- B) I don't know. Apparently, no one earthquake behaves like any other.
- C) You would be doing a lot of field-work you know, in rather uncomfortable conditions.
- D) I don't think you should make your mind up yet.
- E) It's a career that might suit you very well. Good luck!

26. Sandra: **Wasn't that the door bell?**

Sue: **No, it was the parrot.**

Sandra: \_\_\_\_\_

Sue: **I know. It copies the sound so perfectly that even the dog is deceived and races to the door!**

- A) You must be joking!
- B) Are you sure? It sounded just like the doorbell to me.
- C) Well! Well! How long has this been going on for?
- D) How do you know: Do you ever answer the door?
- E) Was it really? Well how does your dog react?

27. Betty: **I hardly know anything about the Hittites and the Phrygians. Who were they?**

Mary: **All I can tell you is that the Hittites preceded the Phrygians in ancient Anatolia and were defeated by them.**

Betty: \_\_\_\_\_

Mary: **I can't help you with these things. You'd better get a book on the subject.**

- A) Yes. I know that but what about their origins, cultures, religions and languages?
- B) The Hittites had their capital in central Anatolia, didn't they?
- C) I know that Anatolia has always been a crossroads for many peoples in history.
- D) The Phrygian capital, Gordian, was originally situated on a hill close to Sakarya.
- E) You know, Egypt is the only country that I know anything about.

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28. Albert: **By the way, what do you think of John's performance in the sales department?**

Richard: **As the manager of the department, I find him most promising. All he needs is a bit of encouragement.**

Albert: \_\_\_\_\_

Richard: **Don't you worry! I'll do my best for him.**

- A) Well, then, give him some whenever you have the opportunity. He's a nice chap.
- B) You seem to have a grudge against him; do you?
- C) He's very well qualified.
- D) How long has he been working in your department?
- E) His self-confidence is a valuable asset and should help him to succeed.

29. Tony: **Have you read Doris Lessing's new novel?**

Joan: **I've only read about it. Most critics rate it very highly.**

Tony: \_\_\_\_\_

Joan: **Good. As a matter of fact, they almost always are.**

- A) I hardly ever agree with what they say.
- B) Even so, her first novel is still my favourite.
- C) Some of the critics attach more importance to her style than to the other aspects of her novels.
- D) So I see you are familiar with the novel's literary quality.
- E) They are right; the style and characterization are unusually interesting.

30. Molly: **What are you doing on Saturday?**

Agnes : \_\_\_\_\_

Molly : **Do you need any help?**

Agnes : **I certainly do! You can use a sewing machine, can't you?**

- A) I've still not finished the costumes for the end-of-term play. So I'll be busy with them.
- B) I promised to help mother in the garden. There really is a lot to do there.
- C) My little brother is having a birthday party and I'm on duty; organizing the games I suppose.
- D) Nothing at all. I've been terribly busy all week and I'm determined to do nothing at all on Saturday.
- E) Nothing much. Have you any suggestions?

31. John : **You're looking worried. What's the matter?**

Martin: \_\_\_\_\_

John: **Then don't listen to them. Keep it simple and include only what you think is necessary.**

Martin: **Yes; I'm sure that will be best.**

- A) I wish I hadn't agreed to play table tennis with them this evening.
- B) I really want to apologize for breaking that window, but don't know what to say.
- C) They keep trying to persuade me to go on that bicycle trip with them, but I don't want to.
- D) It's that letter of application. Everyone is trying to advise me; and they are all saying different things!
- E) I know I didn't do at all well at that interview, so I won't be offered the job. What can I do to improve myself?

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32. Ken : **I plan to spend two to three months in France when I finish school, and get fluent in French.**

Paul : \_\_\_\_\_

Ken : **Not necessarily. And, besides, I'm earning quite a bit of money now with a part-time job as a waiter.**

Paul: **Good for you! You really are very enterprising.**

- A) I'd come with you if only I had the money.
- B) I'd like to go to Germany for the same reason.
- C) That's a good idea. But won't it be expensive?
- D) Lucky you! Where's the money coming from?
- E) Will you be in Paris most of the time?



33. Jenny : **How's your brother getting on? He's at Leeds University, isn't he?**

Roger : **That's right. He's studying medicine there.**

Jenny : \_\_\_\_\_

Roger : **No. He's in his final year. He'll soon be a fully qualified doctor.**

- A) The first two years are the hardest.
- B) What year is he in? Third?
- C) When does he expect to finish?
- D) He always wanted to be a doctor, didn't he?
- E) Leeds has a good medical school.

34. Pat: **If there's a good film on the TV tonight, let's watch it.**

Nancy: **There's Trial by Jury but we've both seen that.**

Pat: \_\_\_\_\_

Nancy : **That's true. So sit down; it's about to start.**

- A) Then how about going to the cinema down the road?
- B) I can't remember much about it, can you?
- C) Yes; and I certainly don't want to see it again!
- D) Well, I can't remember anything about it.
- E) Yes; but it was a terrific film, and well-worth seeing again.

35. Norman: **They are asking here for volunteers to help with a research project in the Philippines.**

Dan: **Yes; I read that. Sounds interesting.**

Norman: \_\_\_\_\_

Dan: **No; but they may help with the airfare out there. Let's ask for more details!**

- A) I've never done anything like that but would love to!
- B) It certainly does! Let's go!
- C) It would be a grand way to spend the summer holiday.
- D) I presume no one will get paid!
- E) If we could go together, we'd have a grand time.

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36. Alice: **It has to be very cold before a sea can freeze.**

James: \_\_\_\_\_

Alice: **I know. During World War II, for instance, the Baltic Sea froze to such a depth that the Russians were able to drive their tanks over it.**

James: **Then it must have been terribly cold.**

- A) Icebergs, like glaciers, are salt-free.
- B) Perhaps only inland seas can freeze.
- C) Moving water doesn't freeze easily.
- D) But there can be icebergs in the sea.
- E) But it does happen sometimes.

37. Penny : **Is that a travel book you're reading?**

Jo: **Yes, it is. Why do you ask?**

Penny : \_\_\_\_\_

Jo: **Some aren't, of course. But many of them are. This one, for instance, which is about Sri Lanka, is absolutely fascinating.**

- A) Well, I've never read one. I never thought they'd be interesting.
- B) I'd like to borrow it when you've finished with it.
- C) I'm thinking of writing one myself.
- D) I'd like to do the travelling myself!
- E) They might be interesting if they are about places you've never been to.

38. David: **Now, this is good news!**

Peter : **Tell me about it.**

David : \_\_\_\_\_

Peter : **Well, I find it hard to believe but it's certainly worth a try.**

- A) I thought you'd read the article yourself!
- B) It says here that chocolate is the best way of preventing coughs.
- C) They've found a new way of preventing coughing.
- D) Actually, it probably isn't true at all; forget about it.
- E) There are no cheaper ways to manufacture chocolate.

39. Amy : **Whose books are these?**

Terry: \_\_\_\_\_

Amy: **Could they be Jane's?**

Terry: **They could be. In fact, they probably are hers.**

- A) They're yours, surely; aren't they?
- B) I thought they were yours!
- C) I don't know. They're certainly not mine.
- D) They must be Jane's.
- E) Well, they aren't mine and they aren't Jane's.

40. Robert : **Have you read this about the whale that swam up the river Thames?**

Dan: \_\_\_\_\_

Robert : **No, there isn't. There's even a very clear photo of it as it swims past the Houses of Parliament!**

Dan: **Let me have a look at it.**

- A) There must be a mistake.
- B) That can't be true.
- C) You're joking.
- D) There aren't any whales in the zoo!
- E) Surely, you don't expect me to believe that!

41. Jane: **Have you had the chance to see the new campus yet?**

Pat : **No, I haven't. But from all reports it's first class.**

Jane : \_\_\_\_\_

Pat: **Yes, let's do that.**

- A) I've heard mixed things about it, most of them negative.
- B) That's what I've heard too. Shall we go and have a look at it tomorrow?
- C) The main fault is that it's isolated. Getting there will be difficult.
- D) So far there are only three faculties that are accepting students.
- E) Would you like to be a student there?

42. Jill: **You know what they say: "If you want something done quickly, ask a busy person to do it."**

Mary: \_\_\_\_\_

Jill: **Oh, but it is! Busy people are used to doing things quickly.**

Mary: **Yes, I suppose you're right.**

- A) I can't understand the logic of that.
- B) What an odd idea!
- C) I find that hard to believe.
- D) That doesn't sound very sensible to me.
- E) Surely one should ask someone who has plenty of free time.

43. Molly : **The black and white stripes of a zebra cannot possibly act as camouflage.**

Peter : **That's true when there is just one zebra, but they are usually found in large groups or herds.**

Molly : \_\_\_\_\_

Peter : **It certainly does. An enemy seeking to attack cannot pick out any individual zebra.**

- A) Why do the stripes go in different directions?
- B) How does that help?
- C) Does that make a difference?
- D) Why is that?
- E) Why do they need camouflage?

44. Andrew : **Are the five linked circles the symbol of the Olympic Games?**

Roger : **Yes. That's why everyone in the competitions wears them.**

Andrew : \_\_\_\_\_

Roger : **They certainly do. They symbolize that Earth's five continents are linked in sporting activities.**

- A) Do they have a meaning?
- B) What do they mean?
- C) Are there always five circles?
- D) Why are there five circles?
- E) Why are the circles linked?

45. Andy: **Well; did you enjoy the film?**

Brenda: **Not really. There was nothing new or original in the plot.**

Andy: \_\_\_\_\_

Brenda: **I agree. That was good. In fact, sometimes brilliant.**

- A) True. For me the best thing was the photography.
- B) Yes; I was disappointed, too.
- C) It was a typical musical comedy.
- D) What did you think of the father-son relationship?
- E) Didn't you find the dog attractive?

46. John: **What is meant by the saying, "April showers bring May flowers"?**

Mother: **Well, what do you suppose it could mean?**

John : \_\_\_\_\_

Mother: **That's right. So the general idea is that good times follow bad ones.**

- A) Sometimes it rains in May, too.
- B) I suppose that even if the rain may give us some trouble, the flowers that come afterward are beautiful.
- C) I've no idea. That's why I'm asking.
- D) Don't you know what it means? Maybe my teacher knows.
- E) Does it have to do with the weather? Maybe I should research it on the Internet.

47. Peter: **How much time do you spend each day with your computer?**

Judy: **Quite a lot. Sometimes as much as 8 hours a day.**

Peter : \_\_\_\_\_

Judy : **I know. But I prefer to be by myself.**

- A) Do you play games mostly, or read articles?
- B) So do I. It's fun, isn't it?
- C) That's far too much. You need to spend more time with people.
- D) Some people regard it as a waste of time. But I get a lot of useful information out of it.
- E) I hope you take some exercise every day as well!

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48. Wendy: **Are you flying from Ankara to Istanbul?**

Fiona : \_\_\_\_\_

Wendy: **Then you will be going through the new tunnel in the Bolu Mountains.**

Fiona: **That's right. I'm looking forward to that.**

- A) Let's go by bus.
- B) I suppose so. We usually do.
- C) We may. We haven't decided yet.
- D) Yes. My plane leaves at 9:00.
- E) No; we're driving there.

49. Jane: **Do you live in the centre of London?**

Mary: **No; thank goodness, in the outskirts where it's peaceful.**

Jane: \_\_\_\_\_

Mary: **It's noisy and dirty and crowded.**

- A) What's wrong with the city centre?
- B) Isn't it too quiet there?
- C) What are the advantages of living there?
- D) But you don't work there, do you?
- E) Isn't travelling to and from work a problem?

50. Paul : **We won the first three matches, but not the fourth; so we didn't make it to the finals.**

Harry: \_\_\_\_\_

Paul: **Yes; I suppose we were unlucky. And we only lost by one point.**

Harry: **Yes, that certainly was close.**

- A) Remember, there have to be losers as well as winners.
- B) But you won three out of the four matches; and that's excellent.
- C) Never mind. Better luck next time.
- D) What did the coach think of your performance?
- E) Was it bad luck? I am sure you played extremely well.

51. Janet: **Have you read any plays by Shakespeare?**

Pam: \_\_\_\_\_

Janet: **Well, most people find it difficult to understand his writing.**

Pam: **It may be so, but as a dramatist he is a genius.**

- A) Is there a certain play you like most?
- B) Quite a number. Why do you ask?
- C) Do you mean he is the greatest English dramatist?
- D) Are you asking whether his tragedies are better than his comedies?
- E) Indeed, all of his plays have always been very popular throughout the ages.

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52. Dan: **What's going to happen in next week's part of the series?**

Ian: **Your guess is as good as mine. But obviously the hero won't die of his wounds.**

Dan: \_\_\_\_\_

Ian: **Because when the hero dies, the series comes to an end!**

- A) He might, you know.
- B) I hope you're right.
- C) He's pretty badly wounded though.
- D) Isn't it possible?
- E) How do you know?

53. Polly: **What's the matter with Mary? She's not her usual bright self.**

Gwen : \_\_\_\_\_

Polly : **Poor Mary! No wonder she looks so tired.**

Gwen : **She certainly does. But she'll get used to it in time.**

- A) I hadn't noticed any change in her.
- B) She and her brother have quarrelled and it upset her.
- C) Well, her mother fell and broke her leg, so Mary has to do all the housework.
- D) There are problems at work – she doesn't like her new boss.
- E) She isn't sleeping very well. She's worried about something, but won't say what.

54. Robert: **I read an article about alternative energy sources. According to this article, wind power is the fastest-growing source.**

Sarah: \_\_\_\_\_

Robert: **Why is that? It's such a clean power source.**

Sarah: **Some say that wind turbines are noisy and a threat to birds and bats.**

- A) Really? As far as I know, there is a lot of opposition to it.
- B) Some critics say the more different our energy sources are, the better.
- C) Most developed countries prefer wind power to other energy sources.
- D) I don't think that wind power is an economical alternative.
- E) Scientists suggest that the use of alternative sources will increase a lot.

55. Teacher : **As you know, many of the animals that existed in the past have become extinct; that is, they have disappeared from the face of the earth, mostly as a result of human activities.**

Student : **Is it only human activities that have caused the extinction of animals?**

Teacher : \_\_\_\_\_

Student : **I think dinosaurs could be an example of such extinct species. I read in a science magazine that they became extinct when a huge meteor hit the earth, millions of years before humans existed.**

- A) No. There are other causes that have resulted in extinction. Can you think of any examples?
- B) What we do to our planet is more than enough to cause extinction.
- C) Mostly, yes. Just think of the dinosaurs, which became extinct some 65 million years ago.
- D) Of course. Natural events have never caused the extinction of any species other than the dinosaurs.
- E) Indeed, the human contribution to natural disasters cannot be ignored, as in the case of dinosaurs.

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56. Brian: **I see you're reading a novel by one of my favourite authors. Are you a fan of his, too?**

Susan: **Not yet. I'm reading him now for the first time.**

Brian: \_\_\_\_\_

Susan: **Yes, I've already noticed that.**

- A) Sure. Nearly all of them take place by the sea.
- B) All his novels have been made into movies.
- C) The one you're reading now is one of his best.
- D) He creates wonderful characters.
- E) The plot of that one, however, didn't satisfy me.

**57. Pat:** Mary's very excited about something; do you know what?

**Beth:** Yes; she's won a high school competition for a science project.

Pat: \_\_\_\_\_

Beth: **Yes, so am I.**

- A) Then no wonder she has been so excited!
- B) What a surprise! I didn't know she was that good!
- C) Has she really? I'm so pleased for her.
- D) I like Mary; she works hard and she plays hard.
- E) Let's go and congratulate her.

**58. Jim:** **Why are the zoo-keepers hiding the bananas up in the trees?**

**Robert:** **So that the monkeys have to hunt around and find them.**

Jim: \_\_\_\_\_

**Robert:** **Yes, it would. But then the monkeys would have nothing to do all day, and they would get very bored.**

- A) What about the young ones? Will they get enough to eat?
- B) Would the monkeys enjoy hunting for their food?
- C) Does it seem like a game to them?
- D) Would they be able to find all the bananas that have been hidden?
- E) Wouldn't it be simpler just to give them to the monkeys?

**59. Peter:** **It says in our programme that they are holding a departmental orientation in the last two weeks of the preparatory school.**

Sarah: \_\_\_\_\_

**Peter:** **It means that we are going to be taken to our future departments to see what it is like to be students there.**

Sarah: **That sounds like fun!**

- A) What does that mean?
- B) How long will the orientation last?
- C) When does the orientation start?
- D) Why is it necessary to do such a thing?
- E) Where does the orientation take place?

**60. Carl:** **When does your bus leave?**

**Brian:** **At 8.30. So we've got a couple of hours.**

Carl: \_\_\_\_\_

**Brian:** **That's just what I was going to suggest.**

- A) Fine. Then let's go and get something to eat.
- B) Are you hungry by any chance?
- C) We can't do much in two hours.
- D) Where's your luggage? Do you only have the one bag?
- E) It's been good seeing you! Come again soon!

61. Richard: **There must be an explanation for why gossiping is so popular.**

Mary: \_\_\_\_\_

Richard: **Isn't it more likely to disconnect us from the people we gossip about?**

Mary: **see your point, but what they mean is "nice" gossip.**

- A) Yes, it is done intensively all over the world.
- B) In fact, there is. Psychologists say that gossip makes us feel connected to others.
- C) Well, what's your explanation?
- D) When there is gossip about public figures, it seems to make them more human.
- E) People may say they don't gossip . but usually they do!

62. Interviewer: **Are you unhappy about the lack of privacy?**

Film Star: **Not at all. Privacy has never been that important to me.**

Interviewer: \_\_\_\_\_

Film Star: **Well, why would you choose this sort of a life and then worry about privacy?**

- A) That's exactly what I think about it.
- B) So, you're complaining about it?
- C) Really? That surprises me.
- D) That sounds like a good idea.
- E) My private life has to be my own.

63. Liz: **What did you think of the play?**

Bob: **It was great fun to watch. There was so much colour and activity in it.**

Liz: \_\_\_\_\_

Bob: **No; not really. I must watch it again to get the main idea.**

- A) Wasn't the scene where they danced terrific?
- B) I wish they had included some music to make it more enjoyable.
- C) Even though the stage was very small and dark.
- D) What did you think of the acting?
- E) Yes; that's true. But did you understand it?

64. Peter: **Are you going to join one of the further training schemes the bank is offering?**

James: \_\_\_\_\_

Peter: **Yes; you really ought to. But at least explain the situation to the manager.**

James: **Good idea. I'll do that.**

- A) No; I'm content with things as they are.
- B) No; I like to keep my evenings free.
- C) I'm not sure. I'll think it over.
- D) No, I'm not. Things are difficult at home as you know. But I know I ought to.
- E) Perhaps. I'm still thinking about it. What about you?



65. Barry: **Do you remember Uri Geller?**

Steve: \_\_\_\_\_

Barry: **That's right. He claimed to be able to bend metal with the power of his mind.**

Steve: **It turns out he was just a fraud, wasn't he?**

- A) What happened to his powers?
- B) Yes, wasn't he famous in the 1970s?
- C) Not really. Can you tell me about him?
- D) What made you think about him?
- E) Yes, do you remember him as well?

66. John: **I can't believe this! Psychologists believe that gossip can be a healthy social activity.**

Kate: \_\_\_\_\_

John: **Well, apparently through gossip, people can make social comparisons, and learn what is and isn't acceptable.**

Kate: **That sounds reasonable.**

- A) Which group of psychologists would be right in this matter?
- B) What did they say against gossiping?
- C) What if they were all wrong and people were right?
- D) Why do they have to make comments like that?
- E) What sort of claim are they making?

67. Paul: **Did you hear the news that they found a whale in the River Thames in the middle of London?**

Henry: **Yes, I did. No one knows why the poor whale ended up in the river.**

Paul: \_\_\_\_\_

Henry: **Well, that's a credible explanation.**

- A) I think people have petitioned to have it placed in the zoo.
- B) They say the cause of its death can only be known after an autopsy.
- C) Do you think a whale has to eat in order not to get dehydrated?
- D) I guess it was too young to find its way out to the North Sea.
- E) Whales always use their sense of navigation not to get lost.

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68. Robert: **Do you think the planet Mars can have an effect on life on Earth?**

Luis: **Well, some astrologers claim that it can, while others reject the idea completely.**

Robert: **Which one do you agree with?**

Luis: \_\_\_\_\_

- A) Not everyone is convinced that there are real effects.
- B) Astrology doesn't have the answer to that question.
- C) It's hard to say but the former is more appealing.
- D) There are signs that Mars is getting closer to Earth.
- E) It has nothing to do with when you were born.

69. Oya: **I wish I could live a simpler life like people who lived 100 years ago.**

Selin: **Why would you want that? I think life must have been really boring back then.**

Oya: \_\_\_\_\_

Selin: **You have a point. Sometimes I feel like throwing away my cell phone and my computer.**

- A) But there was also more simplicity. Nowadays, we spend all our time being overwhelmed with technology.
- B) Maybe, but imagine being alive in the era of such adventure. Wouldn't that be exciting?
- C) True, life was much more difficult for most people. You have to admit though, for some people it was great.
- D) If you don't like the past, would you prefer to live at some point in the future?
- E) I suppose you are right. I couldn't imagine life without the Internet.

70. Birgül: **I have an interesting job and I'm earning a good salary, why do I still feel so stressed?**

Eda: \_\_\_\_\_

Birgül: **What do you mean by that?**

Eda: **I have read it in an article. It says that as you gain more responsibility, your level of stress increases.**

- A) Perhaps, you should talk to your boss instead.
- B) Maybe you're suffering from the stress of having to do too much.
- C) You have such a calm personality to be so , stressed.
- D) Don't you think you're exaggerating this time?
- E) Have you considered doing yoga to relieve your stress?

71. Okan: **There are now almost a dozen studies showing that mind power can be increased over time by doing simple exercises.**

Berkay: **Really? That's very interesting. What kind of exercises are you talking about?**

Okan: **Things like sitting up straight instead of lying down and brushing your teeth with your less dominant hand.**

Berkay: \_\_\_\_\_

- A) So, what you're saying is that we should keep doing the same things over and over again.
- B) Scientists always come up with fresh claims about fitness and exercising for a healthy life.
- C) I've never realized such simple exercises could contribute to the development of our brain.
- D) That's not new to me. I've been trying to improve my memorization skill for a very long time.
- E) Studies on the brain tend to be quite popular nowadays, but this one doesn't sound very appealing.

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72. İpek: **Can you say which foreign language is easier to learn?**

Nilüfer: **I've studied French, but it's very different from Turkish and the pronunciation is really hard.**

İpek: **So maybe I should just give up on learning a foreign language.**

Nilüfer: \_\_\_\_\_

- A) You're right. Learning a language is both enjoyable and brings in many advantages.
- B) You shouldn't quit. Learning anything new takes time and hard work.
- C) Sure, that's an interesting way of learning a foreign language in a short time.
- D) Yes, it's better to go to the country where the language is actually spoken.
- E) Definitely, you can ask someone else about learning German or Spanish.

**73. Doruk: You know I have been hosting a guest from Egypt. He has come to celebrate Children's Festival with us.**

Ozan: \_\_\_\_\_

**Doruk: Certainly. He wants to visit us again this summer. He has also invited me to spend a month in his country.**

Ozan: **Really? You're so lucky. That sounds very exciting.**

- A) Sure, you told me all about it the day he arrived. How could you forget that?
- B) No, I haven't heard anything about it. When will you introduce him to me?
- C) Well, isn't that the country your family was working in previously?
- D) I'm really looking forward to seeing him on stage while performing their traditional dance.
- E) Oh, that's great. Has he been enjoying his time here with you?

**74. Yeşim: Have you heard about the personal trainer who will take on the challenge of gaining 40 kg and then losing it again all within a year?**

Pelin: **That sounds ridiculous! Why would anyone do that?**

Yeşim: \_\_\_\_\_

Pelin: **That's something to be addressed by health experts, not amateurs!**

- A) He looks really fit though, don't you agree? He must be following a very strict diet.
- B) I guess you're one of those who are struggling with their weight.
- C) I don't know what he's thinking, but losing weight isn't difficult for me.
- D) Well, he'll do this on a TV program every week to raise awareness about obesity.
- E) If you ask me, one's weight also has to do with his or her height.

**75. Reporter: Do you reward your employees based on individual performance or group work?**

Businessman: **I think placing people with different skills and knowledge together improves the overall quality of the work, so I promote team work.**

Reporter: \_\_\_\_\_

Businessman: **Yes. Last month, one of my employees won the lottery and gave some money to his colleagues. Since then, they all have been communicating effectively and making important decisions.**

- A) In fact, people with certain characteristics may fail to work in a group and feel uncomfortable. Do you have any employees of that sort?
- B) I've interviewed many businessmen, and you're one of the most successful ones. I'm sure your employees respect you a lot, am I wrong?
- C) But many say one member's behaviour or experience in a team leads to changes in others' performances. Do you agree?
- D) Surveys show many employers don't care about their workers' demands. Are there any areas your employees complain about?
- E) Suppose that one of your employees weren't able to complete his or her work on time. How would you react to it?

**76. Serdar: One of the most exciting things about travelling is seeing how big the world actually is.**

**Ayça: That sounds wonderful, but I've never had the chance to leave my hometown yet. I hope that someday I experience this feeling.**

Serdar: \_\_\_\_\_

**Ayça: I really appreciate your support. I'll need to save up some money and ask my parents, but maybe this is a possibility for us to consider in the near future.**

- A) I can help you achieve that goal. Let's just plan a small trip to somewhere not so far from here but still something very different from what you're used to.
- B) I can't believe that you've never left this town. I'm sure that there'll be many chances for you to travel as you're young and still studying.
- C) I've seen many parts of the world, and I must admit that no other country compares to my own.
- D) You've an interest in exploring more of what the world can offer, but it might be dangerous for a person at your age to go to a distant place alone.
- E) If you haven't travelled yet, then it seems that you won't have many chances to do so in the future.

**77. Ender: \_\_\_\_\_**

**Aylin: Are you having problems with concentrating?**

**Ender: Yes, but even without any distractions, I can't seem to focus intensely on anything for more than half an hour.**

**Aylin: Actually, that's perfectly normal. Most people can only focus for 20 to 30 minutes.**

- A) The new boss has introduced a very strict regime. He's even stopped our coffee breaks.
- B) I'm finding the new job quite challenging, but my colleagues are so helpful that we generally work in collaboration with each of us.
- C) I've just been promoted, but I'm not really sure if this is really what I want to do.
- D) There's so much going on at work. I don't seem to be able to finish anything.
- E) It's such a dull place to work, because there is no entertainment of any kind, and it'd be better for me to leave this job soon.

**78. Emel: Lately, I've noticed that I'm getting lines around my eyes and mouth.**

**Zeynep: You should try drinking more water to prevent them.**

Emel: \_\_\_\_\_

**Zeynep: Certainly, you'll notice the difference in your skin in a few months.**

- A) That's really interesting. How much water should I drink in a day?
- B) I've never heard such a benefit of water. Does it really work?
- C) Facial expressions like smiling or frowning also make existing wrinkles worse.
- D) Have you read anything that states water is the best solution for kidney disorders?
- E) I'm not sure whether it'll work. Can the lines be the symptoms of an illness?



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