

**Select Readings, Second Edition**  
**Pre-Intermediate, GEPT-Style Midterm**

**INCOMPLETE SENTENCES**

Beneath each sentence, you will see four words or phrases, marked A, B, C and D. You are to choose the word or phrase that best completes the sentence.

1. Scientists think that sleep helps the body to grow and \_\_\_\_\_ stress.  
A. relieve  
B. reuse  
C. report  
D. recognize
2. She was interested \_\_\_\_\_ knowing what foreign people thought about her country.  
A. for  
B. to  
C. in  
D. how
3. \_\_\_\_\_ my third trip as a volunteer, I was assigned to a group with people from around the world.  
A. Since  
B. During  
C. As soon as  
D. Meanwhile
4. Recent surveys show that young people in Asia spend \_\_\_\_\_ of 9.5 hours per day online.  
A. a limit  
B. the period  
C. an average  
D. sometimes
5. He worked hard as the manager, and soon the restaurant \_\_\_\_\_ a profit.  
A. makes  
B. has made  
C. is making  
D. was making
6. Some recent studies have shown that people use 10 calories of carbon energy per calorie of food we eat, and \_\_\_\_\_ is happy about this.  
A. anyone  
B. not one  
C. not everyone  
D. not someone

## TEXT COMPLETION

The following passage contains four missing words or phrases. You are to choose the best answer for each missing word or phrase.

### My Canadian Homestay

Living in a foreign country can be an exciting experience. When I was in high school, I went to Canada to study (7) one year. I lived with a host family in British Columbia, which is in the western part of the country. (8) city is Vancouver, and there is a large Chinese community living there. There are many restaurants with delicious seafood dishes. In the winter, I went (9) in Banff with my host family. It was difficult at first, but after a few lessons I was able to ski down small hills without falling. I really missed my family when I was away from them, but now that I'm back in Taiwan, I (10) my host family in Canada, too. I hope they'll come and visit me sometime, so I can show them my country as well.

7. \_\_\_\_\_  
A. since  
B. by  
C. until  
D. for
8. \_\_\_\_\_  
A. The largest  
B. A largest  
C. The larger  
D. A larger
9. \_\_\_\_\_  
A. to skiing  
B. ski  
C. skied  
D. skiing
10. \_\_\_\_\_  
A. missing  
B. miss  
C. missed  
D. was missed

## READING COMPREHENSION

The following passage is followed by five questions, each with four choices: A, B, C and D. You are to choose the best answer to each question on the basis of what is stated or implied in the passage.

Europe is considered to be one of the world's seven continents. Europe is bordered by Asia to the east, the Arctic Ocean and other bodies of water to the north, the Atlantic Ocean to the west, the Mediterranean Sea to the south, and the Black Sea to the southeast. Europe is the world's second-smallest continent in terms of surface area.

Europe has approximately 50 states. Russia is the largest by both area and population (although the country has territory in both Europe and Asia), while the Vatican City is the smallest. Europe is the third-most populous continent after Asia and Africa. With a population of around 740 million, Europe makes up about 11% of the world's population.

Due to the large number of countries in Europe, it is not surprising that a wide variety of languages are spoken. Most of the European languages fall into one of four main groups: the Romance languages, the Germanic languages, the Baltic languages, and the Slavic Languages. The European continent has 23 official languages. While having the majority of its vocabulary descended from Romance languages, the English language is classified as a Germanic language.

11. Which statement is true about Europe's population?
  - A. Russia has the largest population in Europe.
  - B. Europe's population is larger than Africa's or Asia's.
  - C. Vatican City contains 11% of Europe's population.
  - D. Europe is the second-smallest continent in terms of population.
  
12. What percentage of the world's total population lives in Europe?
  - A. Two
  - B. Eleven
  - C. Twenty-three
  - D. Fifty
  
13. Which of the following can we infer from the reading?
  - A. Europe's population is larger than other continents'.
  - B. They have few languages despite the size of the continent.
  - C. Europe did not always have 50 states.
  - D. The majority of Europe is surrounded by bodies of water.
  
14. Which language group is English related to?
  - A. Romance
  - B. Germanic
  - C. Baltic
  - D. Slavic
  
15. What would be the best title for this article?
  - A. The Seas of Europe
  - B. World Languages: Europe
  - C. Europe: A Diverse Continent
  - D. The Smallest Country in the World