

Complete the following text. Use the correct forms of the words in brackets and find words of your own to replace the question marks. There is one example (0) at the beginning.

A fascinating New Zealander: Sir Edmund Hillary (1919-2008)

According to *TIME*, one of the (0) *most influential* (**influential**) people of the 20th century

was the New Zealand-born Sir Edmund Hillary. As a

child, Ed was not (1) _____ (**tall**) as

his peers and very shy. He (2) _____

_____ (**spend**) his daily train journeys to

school reading adventure stories: "Since my school

days I (3) _____ (**read**) every

book I could get hold of," he once mentioned in an interview. At 16 his interest in (4)

_____ (**climb**) was sparked during a school trip to Mount Ruapehu. He

found that he was (5) _____ (**physical**) strong and had greater courage

(6) _____ (???) many of his classmates.

On 29 May 1953, Hillary and Tenzing Norgay became the first climbers to reach the summit of

Mount Everest. They were part of a British expedition (7) _____ (**lead**) by

John Hunt. Taking part in the Commonwealth Trans-Antarctic Expedition Hillary reached the

South Pole in 1958. He also got to the North Pole, making him the first person to reach both poles

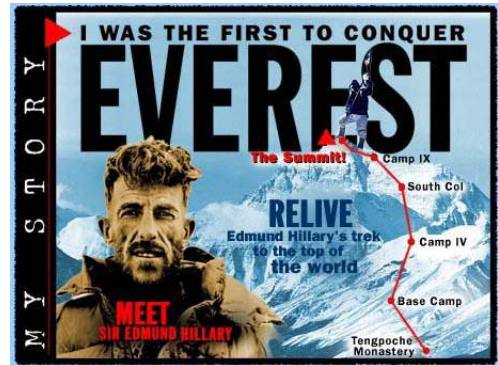
and conquer Everest. But he was also a lucky man. If Hillary (8) _____

(**not be**) late for TWA Flight 266, he would have become a victim of the 1960 New York air

disaster, in (9) _____ (???) 134 people lost their lives. Evidently, at that

time, Sir Edmund Hillary must (10) _____ (**have**) a powerful guardian

angel.



Key:
1 as tall 2 spent/was spending 3 have read/have been reading 4 climbing 5 physically 6 than 7 led
8 hadn't been 9 which 10 have had

Complete the following text. Use the correct forms of the words in brackets and find words of your own to replace the question marks. There is one example **(0)** at the beginning.

A short history of tractors in Ireland

Tractors may be a common sight **(0)** *in* **(???)** the Irish countryside today, but a century **(1)** _____ **(???)**, that wasn't the case. The machines have a longer history in

America, where they **(2)** _____ **(invent)** in the 19th century. The first



machines **(3)** _____ **(make)** their way

to Ireland sometime after 1904, with about 70 tractors in use

on the island by 1917. Those numbers multiplied **(4)**

_____ **(fast)**, and by 1939 more **(5)**

_____ **(???)** 2,000 American

Fordson tractors were in use. But Harry Ferguson wanted to

change the game. He worked in the motor industry in Belfast before **(6)**

_____ **(move)** into the field of agricultural engineering. He was also the

first Irishman to build his own aeroplane and to develop the first four-wheel drive Formula One

car, the Ferguson. By the late 1920s, he was developing his own tractor, The Ferguson Type A.

Production began in 1937, but sales were **(7)** _____ **(extreme)** low. If

Harry Ferguson hadn't travelled to the USA for a meeting with Henry Ford in 1938, Ford **(8)**

_____ **(not / agree)** to use the Irishman's system in a new

tractor. After the trans-Atlantic partnership ended in the mid-forties, Ferguson began to cooperate

(9) _____ **(???)** Standard Motor Company, and in 1953, his company and

Massey Harris established the now well-known Massey Ferguson Company. Harry Ferguson

(10) _____ **(die)** in 1960, but his ideas and designs for tractors will be

used for many years to come.

Key: 1 ago 2 were invented 3 made 4 fast 5 than 6 moving 7 extremely 8 wouldn't have agreed 9 with 10 died

You are going to read a **text about a new TV-show**. For questions 1-10 tick (✓) the correct answer (A-D). There is one example (0) at the beginning.

Britain's Most Talented Young Speaker

Britain's Most Talented Young Speaker is a TV show, starting in September 2012, where 14- to 18-year-olds (0) ___ in a series of challenges. Its aim is to find the nation's (1) ___ speaker. Candidates need passion, personality and confidence. Week after week they'll be put through tests of their communication skills. During the last three months, 14- to 18-year-olds (2) ___ to apply online, by posting a one-minute speech on the BBC website. They could speak on (3) ___ subject from pop music to homework. Recently, the media (4) ___ Britain's youth. The new show (5) ___ back the balance; it's about communication, confidence and giving British teenagers the opportunity to be heard. Each week, the mentors and judges give a masterclass in a different aspect of (6) ___, helping the finalists learn and rise to the weekly challenges. The guest mentors, (7) ___ are all experienced talkers, offer professional help. Each week, the speeches (8) ___ by the judges and their mentor. Then the three speakers who (9) ___ the very high standards will have to take part in an extra round. All of this reaches a peak in one final showdown at the end of the series in which the three candidates who presented (10) ___ successfully will get the chance of winning 10,000 pounds as well as an appearance in the *Graham Norton Show* on BBC.



A	competition	B	competes	C	have competed	D	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> will compete
A	good	B	better	C	best	D	well
A	had invited	B	were inviting	C	are invited	D	have been invited
A	many	B	any	C	some	D	all
A	have criticized	B	are criticizing	C	were criticized	D	have been criticized
A	brought	B	was brought	C	had brought	D	will bring
A	speak	B	speaks	C	speaking	D	spoke
A	they	B	who	C	which	D	---
A	evaluate	B	are evaluating	C	are evaluated	D	were evaluated
A	doesn't meet	B	don't meet	C	aren't meeting	D	won't be met
A	themselves	B	ourselves	C	them	D	their

Key:
1C 2D 3B 4A 5D 6C 7B 8C 9B 10A

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Moving out of home is one of the **(0)** *most interesting* **(interesting)** times of your life. But it can also be challenging if you're not **(1)** _____ **(full)** prepared. Here are a few tips to make it all go as smoothly **(2)** _____ **(???)** possible.

If you need to leave your **(3)** _____ **(parent)** house because you will be attending **(4)** _____ **(far)** education or if you can't find work in your hometown, then your decisions will be about **(5)** _____ **(find)** the right type of accommodation for you. This also involves a lot of stress. However, it's a good opportunity to prove to your parents that you can make it on your own.

If you are moving away from home with a full-time job, the most obvious choice is to move into a rented property, that is a property **(6)** _____ **(own)** by someone else.

It's a big responsibility, so a better option for your **(7)** _____ **(one)** year away from home might be renting with other young people **(8)** _____ **(???)** are in a similar situation. Check your local paper under 'shared accommodation' **(9)** _____ **(???)** suitable options. We also recommend visiting the website www.movingout.gov.au which **(10)** _____ **(update)** on a regular basis.

Key: 1 fully 2 as 3 parent's/parental 4 further 5 finding 6 owned 7 first 8 who 9 for 10 is updated/will be updated