

CLOZE TESTS

A. Choose the correct option according to the text.

NEW YORK DEAF¹ THEATRE MARKS 35 YEARS



The New York Deaf Theatre company is celebrating its 35th anniversary with a production of 'The Strange Case of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde.' There are two actors for each role: deaf actors and hearing actors. Deaf actors use sign language and there are also hearing actors **1)** speak the lines at the same time. Double roles mean extra difficulties for the actors, and this requires strong teamwork. "Working with the hearing actors hasn't been easy because when a deaf actor is using his/her hands during a role, the voices **2)** match the deaf actor's hand movements. If this doesn't happen, it is a big problem," said JW Guido, the artistic director of the play. One of the actors in the play, Robert De Mayo **3)** in many other plays like this one so far. He says it is hard for deaf actors to find a job **4)** there aren't enough companies and opportunities for deaf actors on TV and in movies. "As a deaf actor, it was a lot easier to find a job in the past. There **5)** many deaf theatre companies, more than there **6)** now. Furthermore, governments **7)** the amount of money **8)** goes to theatre in the last twenty years. In brief, the situation is hard for everyone, but it is much harder for deaf actors. I am lucky to be able to do this," he said.

'The Strange Case of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde' by the New York Deaf Theatre company is on now at the June Havoc Theatre in New York City, **9)** many famous actors have performed their plays in front of theatre lovers. The company will play in other cities across the country, too, so the audiences that live outside New York still have a chance to see the play **10)** the theatre closes in the summer break because there are no plays in the summer. Tickets are available from the ticket offices around New York City. However, you need to open a free account on the company's website in order to buy a ticket online.

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| 1. a. where | b. who | c. which | d. what |
| 2. a. could | b. couldn't | c. don't have to | d. have to |
| 3. a. was acting | b. acts | c. has acted | d. will act |
| 4. a. however | b. since | c. but | d. because of |
| 5. a. were | b. have been | c. are going to be | d. are |
| 6. a. are | b. were | c. have been | d. are going to be |
| 7. a. will decrease | b. decreased | c. were decreasing | d. have decreased |
| 8. a. who | b. which | c. where | d. when |
| 9. a. that | b. who | c. which | d. where |
| 10. a. after | b. since | c. as | d. before |

¹ A **deaf** person cannot hear. Because they cannot speak, deaf people use **sign language** to communicate.



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B. Choose the correct option according to the text.

TEENS SAIL AROUND THE WORLD

A nineteen-year-old Australian who spent seven months at sea in her pink yacht **1)** _____ the finishing line of her round-the-world journey on Saturday. She **2)** _____ the youngest sailor to sail round the globe solo, non-stop and unassisted. Thousands of spectators **3)** _____ into applause as Emily Watson sailed into Sydney Harbour, the finale to an epic journey from which critics said she'd never **4)** _____ alive.

Watson's parents **5)** _____ for her when she arrived, and the teenager burst into tears; she **6)** _____ her mum and dad for seven months.

Emily Watson, from Buderim in Queensland, had **7)** _____ from Sydney on October 18th, ignoring comments by critics who said she was too immature and inexperienced for the journey. Her parents said that they had **8)** _____ her up to be independent and that she was well-prepared because she **9)** _____ since she was eight.

How did Emily feel to be back home? "Well, I haven't had a good meal **10)** _____ seven months; I've been at sea, alone, **11)** _____ October; I've missed my friends," she told reporters. Is she planning another voyage? "First, I think **12)** _____ a nice long rest – chill out, you know. And then, I'm **13)** _____ my studies." Emily is planning to study physical education at Sydney University.

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| 1. A. crossed | B. has crossed | C. has been crossing | D. had crossed |
| 2. A. becomes | B. is becoming | C. became | D. was becoming |
| 3. A. burst | B. were bursting | C. had burst | D. had been bursting |
| 4. A. get on | B. get back | C. get down | D. get up |
| 5. A. were waiting | B. have waited | C. had waited | D. had been waiting |
| 6. A. won't have seen | B. wasn't seeing | C. hasn't seen | D. hadn't seen |
| 7. A. put off | B. set off | C. called off | D. gone off |
| 8. A. brought | B. given | C. held | D. grown |
| 9. A. sailed | B. was sailing | C. has sailed | D. had been sailing |
| 10. A. for | B. since | C. during | D. while |
| 11. A. until | B. over | C. since | D. in |
| 12. A. I have | B. I'll have | C. I'm having | D. I will have had |
| 13. A. finishing | B. going to finish | C. about to finish | D. to finish |



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CLOSEST MEANING

A. Choose the answer that has the closest meaning to the sentence given.

1) My brother has received lots of job offers since Catering magazine awarded him the "Young Chef of the Year" title four weeks ago.

- A. A month ago, my brother got his current job because Catering Magazine awarded him the title of "Young Chef of the Year" several times.
- B. My brother had had several jobs before he won Catering Magazine's "Young Chef of the Year" last month.
- C. Catering Magazine named my brother their "Young Chef of the Year" a month ago, and since then, lots of companies have offered him work.
- D. My brother had worked hard to win Catering Magazine's "Young Chef of the Year" title, and he attained his goal last month.

2) Karl wasn't concentrating while he was preparing the vegetables for dinner in the restaurant due to problems at home.

- A. Karl's many domestic problems didn't stop him from carrying out the preparation of the vegetables for the restaurant.
- B. Because of domestic problems, Karl's mind wasn't on his work as he prepared vegetables for the evening meal at the restaurant.
- C. Karl didn't concentrate as well as usual tonight while he was preparing the vegetables for the restaurant.
- D. Karl didn't prepare the vegetables for dinner in the restaurant properly as he was too upset about personal matters to care.

3) He looked everywhere for his favorite t-shirt because he didn't know his mother had thrown it out.

- A. He had been looking for his favorite t-shirt for ages when he found out that his mother had thrown it away.
- B. After he had searched everywhere for his favorite t-shirt without success, he assumed his mother had hidden it from him.
- C. When he couldn't find his favorite t-shirt anywhere, he thought his mother had accidentally thrown it out.
- D. As he was unaware that his mother had thrown his favorite t-shirt out, he searched for it everywhere.

4) In my opinion, nuclear waste shouldn't be transported by rail.

- A. I believe that the best way to move nuclear fuel is over the railway network.
- B. It is my belief that it's a bad idea to move nuclear waste by train.
- C. It's generally accepted that it is unnecessary to move nuclear waste by train.
- D. I agree with the popular belief that nuclear waste is too dangerous to be moved by train.

5) Only a small minority of the population believes that the immigration benefits the country.

- A. The majority of people in the country consider immigration to be beneficial.
- B. The benefits of immigration to the country outweighs the disadvantages.
- C. Immigration is considered advantageous to the country by a very small proportion of the population.
- D. About half of the population recognizes that immigration can be advantageous to the country.



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READING

A. Read the text below and answer the questions that follow.

WOODY ALLEN

Woody Allen, the American director, bitter-sweet screen writer, actor and author is best known for his bittersweet comedies. His pale, thin appearance, together with his clever observations of humanity leads people to regard him as an intellectual. However, Woody Allen confesses that he'd rather go to a bar or a baseball game, than read philosophy. Many people think these comments are insincere, but Woody Allen insists that he has never been a high culture person. In addition, genuine intellectuals consider that he is not in their class.

Woody Allen hated school and has claimed that people should be taught reading, writing and arithmetic and then left alone. Woody had a natural talent for writing, which he made an effort to cultivate. Until the age of eighteen, he only read comic books. While still at school, he began writing stand-up comedy monologues by exaggerating his own life circumstances. Soon, he was selling his jokes to gossip columnists and by the age of fifteen, he had already been hired to write jokes for public relation firm. After that, he was hired to write material for some well-known TV comedians and within two years, he was contributing material that was used in many of the top comedy shows broadcast on TV.

Woody Allen soon started writing and directing films. By the time he made his first award-winning film 'Annie Hall', he had already made several others, gradually polishing his technique so that the seriousness beneath the comic surface became more evident. Whereas previous films had contained elements of nonsense and a more ridiculous type of situation, 'Annie Hall' was his most personal and for that reason his most recognized film. The hero, played by Woody Allen himself, is as close to him as any fictional character could be. When Annie Hall was released, Woody did his best to explain people that unlike the screen version, he didn't live under a roller-coaster when he was a boy and that he had not met or broken up with Annie Hall as is shown in the film. However, the public prefer to believe that his films are an accurate reflection of his life. Woody explains that his own life is orderly and boring, and as a writer, his job is to make things up. Woody believes that his films are less pessimistic than they are romantic and reflect his idealistic view of the way life should be.

Woody Allen has an obsessive and rather monotonous lifestyle. He admits that he is afraid of change and for this reason he sticks to his routines like playing the clarinet, writing, taking walks, visiting psychoanalyst and going to the same restaurants. Apart from that, he is a solitary person who is very 'anti-Hollywood' and hardly ever leaves Manhattan. He considers Hollywood to be culturally deprived city. In 'Annie Hall' he said, 'I don't want to live in a city where the only cultural advantage is that you can make a right turn on a red traffic light.'

He made his point clear by not being present to collect the three Oscars which his film received. Instead, he chose to keep his regular Monday night appointment with his jazz band at Michael's Pub, where he plays the clarinet. Woody Allen's love of jazz is evident in the music that is used in many of his films.

When asked about retirement during an interview, he was clear in his response. "I expect to go on working until one day when I am looking through a camera lens, I will suddenly grab my heart, feel the pain, drop to the pavement and die a very tragic death." According to Woody, that would be the ideal way to leave this world. In reply to whether making



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films is his way of achieving immortality, Woody asserted, "*It* isn't something I hope to achieve through my work, but would rather accomplish it through not dying."

1. According to paragraph 1, what do genuine intellectuals think about Woody Allen?

- a. They believe his appearance is ridiculous.
- b. They believe he is modest.
- c. They believe he doesn't deserve the title 'intellectual'.
- d. They believe he is not well-educated.

2. Woody Allen got the ideas for his early writing from

- a. the comic books he read.
- b. the gossip columns in newspapers.
- c. the environment he grew up in.
- d. the comic shows broadcast on tv.

3. The writer thinks that compared to "Annie Hall", Woody Allen's earlier films were more.....

- a. unrealistic.
- b. serious.
- c. professional.
- d. autobiographical.

4. What does the public believe about Woody Allen's life?

- a. It is like his films.
- b. It is orderly and boring.
- c. It is full of romance.
- d. It is like a roller-coaster.

5. Why didn't Woody Allen go to the Oscars Ceremony to collect his awards?

- a. He was afraid of changing his routine.
- b. He had an important meeting in a New York bar.
- c. He felt he didn't deserve them.
- d. He didn't want to go against his principles.



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6. What does 'It' in paragraph 5 refer to?

- a. his way
- b. immortality
- c. death
- d. making films

7. What is the author's purpose in this article?

- a. to give a short description of Woody Allen's life and career
- b. to justify Woody Allen's achievements in Hollywood
- c. to clarify any misunderstandings about Woody Allen's life
- d. to review some of Woody Allen's films in detail.

(Taken from Reading Comprehension for the FCE Examination)

B. Read the text below and answer the questions that follow.

GLOBAL WARMING

I. Earth's temperature has increased by about 0.56 degrees Celsius in the last century. Most of the warming in the last 50 years has resulted from human activities, according to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. Many lawmakers and major companies worldwide have reached an agreement to recognize climate change. They believe the scientific evidence is clear enough to take action. However, some scientists, economists, industry groups, and policy experts continue to insist there is no need to do anything right now. Consequently, many people, including scientists and politicians, can't seem to arrive at agreement on the issue. Here, we present various different opinions and worries ranging from the importance of climate change being "hugely *exaggerated* and unrealistic" to "If presidents could jump in a time machine and experience a single day in 2056, he or she would return to the present day with a shocked face."

II. Freeman Dyson, professor at Institute for Advanced Studies, Princeton University, argues in an email interview that climate change is a real problem, which is partly caused by human activities, but its importance has been mostly exaggerated and not realistic at all. He says: "It is far less important than other social problems such as poverty, infectious diseases, the decreasing number of forests, extinction of species on land and in the sea, not to mention war, nuclear weapons and biological weapons. We do not know if the observed climate changes are good or bad for the health of the biosphere."

III. Another scientist, William Gray, hurricane expert and head of the Tropical Meteorology Project at Colorado State University, explains: "I don't disagree with the view that there has been global warming. There was a lot of global warming in the 1930s and '40s, and then there was a slight global cooling from the middle '40s to the early '70s. And there has been warming since the middle '70s, especially in the last 10 years. But this is natural, because of the changes in the movement of the oceans and other factors. It is not caused by human-beings. Nearly all of my colleagues who have been around 40 or 50 years are doubtful about this whole global-warming thing. But no one asks us, that is, hurricane experts. If you don't know anything about how the atmosphere functions, you will of course say, 'Look, greenhouse gases are going up, the globe is warming, they must be related to each other.' Well, this is not always the case. Yes, there may be two variables which are positively correlated, but this doesn't mean that one is causing the other."

IV. Although there are many people like Dyson and Gray, who argue that climate change is definitely not the most important problem in the world, many other scientists and intellectuals do not think so. Jim Hansen, director of NASA'S Goddard



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Institute for Space Studies, said the following in an email interview: "The argument about whether there is global warming is over. It is now clear that, for thirty years, we have been in a strong global warming trend at a rate of about 0.2 degrees Celsius per decade, and this means that there has been 0.56 degrees Celsius global warming in the past 30 years. The Earth is now at its warmest level in the period of instrumental data, that is, since the late 1800s."

V. Former US Vice President Al Gore expressed views similar to Hansen, in an opinion piece for an internet website in 2005: "The science is extremely clear: Global warming may not affect the number of hurricanes per year, but it makes the average hurricane stronger, increasing its **destructive** power. In the years ahead, there will be more storms like Katrina, unless we change our methods of dealing with this situation. Indeed, we have had two more Category 5 storms since Katrina—including Wilma, which was the strongest hurricane ever measured in the Atlantic. Another thing is, this summer, more than 200 cities in the United States broke all-time heat records. Again this summer, parts of India received a record amount of rainfall—37 inches fell in Mumbai in 24 hours, killing more than 1,000 people. The new extremes of wind and rain like these are part of a larger pattern that also includes rapidly-melting glaciers worldwide, increasing desertification, a global extinction crisis, the damage to ocean fisheries, and a growing range of disease vectors like mosquitoes, ticks and many other carriers of viruses and bacteria harmful to people."

VI. These are only a small selection from a wide range of opinions about the issue of global warming. While some governments are quick to listen to the warnings and act against the effects of climate change, some **others** are more cautious and prefer to wait and see what the future will bring.

1. What is the main idea of the text?

- a. Most scientists agree that global warming is real.
- b. Global warming has increased significantly in the last 10 years.
- c. Many scientists prefer to wait and see the effects of global warming.
- d. A wide range of opinions exist on the subject of global warming.

2. The word '*exaggerated*' in paragraph I is closest in meaning to

- a. made to seem larger
- b. done in a way to get attention
- c. considered realistic and worrying
- d. presented as different views

3. Which of the following is true according to Freeman Dyson?

- a. Global warming is all caused by human activities.
- b. Nuclear weapons are the most important problem in the world.
- c. There are other more important problems than climate change.
- d. We know the effects of global warming on the health of the biosphere.

4. Which of the following is NOT true according to William Gray?

- a. Global warming increased slightly between mid-1940s and early '70s.
- b. Some climate changes can occur because of factors like the movement of the oceans.
- c. There may not be a direct relationship between greenhouse gases and global warming.
- d. Global warming existed at high levels in the 1930s and 1940s.

5. What can be inferred about William Gray's colleagues?

- a. Nearly all of them think that global warming is serious.
- b. Their opinions about global warming are similar to William Gray's.
- c. They are trying to change Gray's mind about the issue of global warming.
- d. Most of them are less than 40 years old.



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- 6. The word 'so' in paragraph IV refers to the idea that**
- a. global warming isn't a serious problem
 - b. climate change is definitely over
 - c. the global warming trend has been strong for 30 years
 - d. climate change is caused by human-beings
- 7. Which of the following is true according to paragraph V?**
- a. Parts of India experienced extremely hot weather in the summer of 2005.
 - b. Record-breaking heat waves killed more than 1,000 people in Mumbai in 2005.
 - c. More than 200 cities in the US received a high amount of hot weather in 2005.
 - d. Katrina was the strongest hurricane ever measured in the Atlantic.
- 8. The word 'others' in paragraph VI refers to**
- a. effects of climate change
 - b. warnings by scientists
 - c. opinions about global warming
 - d. governments

PARAGRAPH COMPLETION

A. Choose the correct answer that best completes the paragraph given.

1. Since man has discovered ways of treating illness and disease, and has thus reduced the death-rate, the only way to control population increase is by lowering the birth rate. In fact, as people in modern industrial societies began to move in order to work in the towns and factories, they found that a smaller family was easier to support. _____ .

- A. There are many religious, social and economic reasons why some parents do not want to control the number of children they have
- B. So in Western Europe after the Industrial Revolution, the birth-rate did slow down as parents chose to have fewer children
- C. To stop the population growth in such areas, it will be necessary to raise the standard of living
- D. New discoveries in medical science had a great effect on the death-rate

2. The development of new drugs and treatments in the 20th century has saved lives of millions of people who would have died in the 19th century. But it is the prevention of disease rather than its successful treatment that has led to the tremendous increase in the population of the World during the past 75 years. _____ .

- A. Water purification is a simple and largely natural process
- B. Due to the water supplies taken from the polluted sources many people died
- C. The purification process of water takes some time because it has some important levels
- D. One of the most important preventive measures is the purification of the drinking water supplies for large cities

3. Nothing spreads light better than our own sky. _____ . To do this, engineers have developed a system of prism panels that functions much like our own atmosphere. Thus, they are able to diffuse incoming daylight. The result is a pleasant glare-free environment with all the beauty of daylight indoors.

- A. As a result many engineers prefer to specialize in indoor lightning system
- B. This new lightning system will enable the country to save energy
- C. The trick is to get same effect indoors without the use of electricity
- D. The company has already committed itself to finding economic but effective solutions



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4. Earthquakes are probably one of the most frightening and destructive happenings of nature that men experience. The effects of an earthquake are often terrible. _____ . Today the study of the earthquakes has grown greatly as scientists all over the world study the causes of earthquakes. Scientists hope that their studies will improve the ways of predicting earthquakes and also develop ways to reduce their destructive effects.

- A. Earthquakes have caused the death of many human beings, a lot of suffering and great damage
- B. Portuguese scientists were asked to observe the effects and to make written records
- C. The vibrations produced by earthquakes are discovered, recorded and measured by instruments called seismographs
- D. Currently, scientists are making studies to predict earthquakes

5. There are about thirty species of dolphins, which measure from 1.5 to 9 metres. They are found in warm and tropical oceans and re extremely fast swimmers, often reaching a speed of twenty knots. _____ . They are, in fact, mammals and belong to the family of toothed whales.

- A. In spite of their size, they dive in and out of the water in a most rapid manner
- B. Despite the widespread belief that dolphins can talk, the truth is that they are only able to imitate sounds
- C. The idea that the dolphin is one of man's best friends goes back a long way in history
- D. The fact is that they are intelligent, inquisitive and quick to learn

6. Those who defend advertising business, especially those who are employed in it, would describe its function as informative rather than persuasive. They maintain that, in a society where most products are no longer bought out of necessity, it is the job of advertisers to make known to the public the choices available to them. _____ . The industry's presence is felt in almost every branch of the media.

- A. The most expensive form of advertising is undoubtedly the television commercial
- B. In order to achieve this end, millions of work-hours and scores of creative ideas are offered by advertising to the materialism
- C. Before an angle can be found, even before the script is written, market research must be carried out by the companies
- D. An enormous amount of time, money and expertise is employed for advertisements

WHILE-LISTENING

PART I/II

You will listen to Dr. Lloyd talking about the writing habits of famous writers. Listen carefully and answer the questions WHILE LISTENING TO THE RECORDING. You will listen TWICE.

1. Which of the following writers' habits is NOT mentioned by Dr. Lloyd?
 - a. Proust
 - b. Anthony Trollope
 - c. Balzac
 - d. Somerset Maugham

2. Which of the following writers are mentioned to exemplify habits related to writing environment?
 - a. Hemingway – Trollope
 - b. Trollope- Maugham
 - c. Balzac – Proust
 - d. Wolfe – Hemingway



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3. Which one is NOT true about Anthony Trollope?
 - a. He used to write from 5.30 to 8.30 in the morning.
 - b. He used to write 250 words every 50 minutes.
 - c. He used to write as soon as he got up.
 - d. He used to write extremely fast.

4. Which of the following is NOT mentioned as habits related to writing environment?
 - a. Drinking a lot of coffee
 - b. Writing in bed
 - c. Writing in the morning
 - d. Doing all the writing on feet

5. Which of the following habits does Dr. Lloyd approve?
 - a. Starting writing early in the morning
 - b. Writing exactly 500 words in a day
 - c. Drinking a lot of espressos
 - d. Writing as fast as you can

PART II

You will listen to a radio show about how language is changing. Listen carefully and answer the questions the questions WHILE LISTENING TO THE RECORDING. You will listen TWICE.

1. Which of the following is true about language change?
 - a. Many people are aware of the language change.
 - b. Language change happens all the time.
 - c. Many people wish it wouldn't happen.
 - d. Language change happens because of old people.

2. Which of the following words is NOT an example of portmanteau words?
 - a. Brunch
 - b. Bollywood
 - c. Television
 - d. Motel

3. What does "screenager" mean?
 - a. A lazy boy who stays at home all day
 - b. A type of a computer which is used by teenagers a lot
 - c. A teenager who spends a lot of time on the computer
 - d. A type of a computer which was common in the past

4. What does "B" in Bollywood stand for?
 - a. Bombay
 - b. Big
 - c. Bengal
 - d. Better

5. What words is the word "motel" created from?
 - a. Mini hotel
 - b. Mobile hotel
 - c. Midi hotel
 - d. Motor hotel



6. Which of the following is NOT correct about "TLAs"?
- They are three-letter abbreviations.
 - B2B, NIH are examples of TLAs
 - They are not used in people's speeches.
 - Use of TLAs is becoming more and more common.

NOTE-TAKING SHEET

Listen to a lecture on entrepreneurs and take notes. You will answer the questions using these notes. You will listen TWICE.

Introduction

Definition of Entrepreneurs

Characteristics of Entrepreneurs

Differences in background

Entrepreneurial Process

Conclusion



NOTE-TAKING

Look at your notes about the lecture on entrepreneurs and answer the questions accordingly.

1. **The lecturer starts the lecture by asking questions because he wants to _____.**
 - A. learn some information about Amazon.com
 - B. give an example about the topic of the lecture
 - C. explain the audience why Jeff Bezos was a successful man
 - D. draw audience's attention

2. **According to the lecture, an entrepreneur is a person who _____.**

3. **According to the lecture, which of the following is NOT one of the common characteristics of entrepreneurs?**
 - A. Not having the fear of failure
 - B. Having a good educational background
 - C. The ability to think about opportunities in the future
 - D. Coming up with new ideas

4. **The lecturer gives the example of Andrew Grove to show that entrepreneurs _____.**
 - A. are well-educated
 - B. start their careers at a young age
 - C. may have a poor financial background
 - D. come from a rich family

5. **According to the study which was done in 2012, the percentage of female entrepreneurs in Europe is _____.**

6. **In which of the following countries the number of female entrepreneurs is the highest?**
 - A. Liechtenstein
 - B. Luxembourg
 - C. Latvia
 - D. Lithuania

7. **According to the lecturer, the most challenging step of the entrepreneurial process is _____.**
 - A. thinking of a solution
 - B. preparing a business plan
 - C. hiring the right people to work
 - D. identifying a problem

8. **The lecturer's attitude towards entrepreneurs is _____.**
 - A. neutral
 - B. positive
 - C. cautious
 - D. critical