TEST 2

LISTENING

- 1. You will hear six monologues. Match each speaker's monologue A-F with the statements given in the list 1 -7. Each statement can be used only once. One of the statements is extra. You will hear the recording twice.
- 1 I believe endangered species are everybody's responsibility.
- 2 I know animals can be so much more than just pets.
- 3 I feel some animals should not be kept as pets.
- 4 I am committed to helping save wildlife.
- 5 I don't think zoos are the solution to endangered species.
- 6 I am pleased about the worldwide effort to help species recover.
- 7 I think it's important to think carefully before getting a pet.

A	В	С	D	Е	F	G

READING

2. Match the texts AG with headings 1-8. Each number can only be used once. There is one extra heading.

A Prizes before pride

B Battle of the Mind

C Preparation and enjoyment

D Going to extremes

E Racing by necessity

F Inspired by others

G Striving for Gold

H Reaching the Peak

1

Sally Jones feels lucky to have grown up speaking two languages. She says being bilingual has helped her in her career choices because she recognised the value of knowing more than one language from an early age. As a result, she was determined to become a language teacher when she graduated from university. She has been teaching for a year now and hopes to continue teaching for many years to come.

2

As a public relations manager for a company that promotes leading sports tourism events, Natasha Pearce has travelled extensively. Staying in luxury hotels and flying first class around the world is a perk of her job. She says: "I appreciate that I have had the opportunity to experience other countries in a way that only the very rich can."

3

Technology has finally arrived in the classroom. Teachers no longer have to rely on traditional "talk and chalk" methods to make their lessons interesting and understandable. Modern aids such as interactive whiteboards and other green technologies allow teachers to focus on the individual needs of their students.

4

Intrepid thrill seekers have developed another extreme sport that is starting to gain popularity. Daring participants in volcano surfing ride down the slopes of volcanoes on specially prepared boards at speeds of over 50 miles per hour. The sport can be dangerous as the surface is very uneven, with sharp jagged rocks that can cause injury if the surfer steps off their board. However, the sport has attracted a lot of interest and the number of participants is growing.

Volunteering is an ideal way to spend a few spare hours, especially for recently retired people who have many skills and a lot of time. Volunteer workers provide assistance in understaffed areas, such as hospitals, and provide support to the sick and vulnerable. Many volunteers get great satisfaction from their work and enjoy the feeling of being capable and productive.

6

Travel for many people has become a quest for adventure and exposure to different cultures and places. Traditional package holidays to popular European destinations are not for them. Climbing Everest or canoeing the Amazon are much more their style. Their main goal in traveling is to explore little-known places and try the unusual and dangerous.

7

Many retirees enjoy trying out a new sport in retirement. One of the most popular is lawn bowling. It is a sport that does not require much physical endurance and is safe for athletes of any age. But despite the fact that it is a very slow and calm game, it is a sport that requires a high degree of skill. Participants take the game very seriously and practice for many hours before games.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7

USE OF ENGLISH

Read the texts below. If necessary, transform the words in brackets so that they grammatically match the content of the texts.

Out of date?
Karen woke up long before her alarm was supposed to go off. She had set it for seven, although
she didn't really need to. She had an important job interview this morning and was afraid of
3) (arrive) late!
Karen jumped out of bed. She took a shower, got dressed and ran downstairs to the kitchen where
her mother was eating breakfast all by 4)(her).
"Well, good morning," she said to her daughter, a little surprised. "You don't usually get up this
early on Sunday mornings!" Karen looked shocked. "You mean it's not Monday?" she breathed.
"If I had known, I 5) (not bother)!"

Staircase racing