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## GRAMMAR

*Read the text below and fill in each gap with a proper verb tense or verb form. Write your answers in the spaces below the article. Spelling counts! There is an example at the beginning (0).*

Prince William -0- ... (pay) an emotional tribute to wife Kate on her birthday after a turbulent year along with a beautiful new photo of the princess. With the Princess of Wales turning 43 today, William -01- ... (issue) an unprecedented written message on social media publicly praising her as an “incredible wife and mother” and hailing the strength she -02- ... (show) in the past year following her cancer diagnosis and chemotherapy treatment as “remarkable”. The message -03- ... (accompany) by a new, unseen picture of Kate taken by Matt Porteous in Windsor last summer -04- ... (show) the princess looking relaxed and smiling with her hands in her jeans pockets and wearing a gingham scarf.

In his message declaring his love, William wrote: “To the most incredible wife and mother. The strength you’ve shown over the last year has been remarkable. George, Charlotte, Louis and I are so proud of you. Happy Birthday, Catherine. We love you. W.”

William’s touching message for his wife -05- ... (come) after the official Royal Family social media accounts also shared a beautiful snap of the princess beaming at Sandringham on Christmas Day as she collected countless bouquets of flowers from well-wishers.

Kate is believed to -06- ... (spend) her birthday at home in Windsor after George, Charlotte and Louis returned to school after the Christmas break yesterday. Former BBC royal correspondent Jennie Bond believes that today Kate -07- ... (put) family first as always, but she still will be in line for a surprise or two from husband William and her other royal relatives. She told the Mirror: “Her birthday -08- ... (be) on a school day, so life will be the usual hectic round of getting everyone up and ready, with school bags packed. But maybe William will find time to give Catherine breakfast in bed before he looks after the kids and the school run. A rose on the breakfast tray and some luxury bath products would not go amiss.”

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## GRAMMAR- continued

**Continue reading the text and fill in the gaps with ONE word. Use only function words. Write your answers in the space provided below the text. Spelling counts! There is an example at the beginning (00).**

"I expect she might want to see her parents -00- ... her birthday too as they have been such a key part of her recovery. I'm sure something very special will be winging -09- ... way towards her from the King -10- ... her birthday, too. If he needed some help in choosing a gift, I'm sure Camilla would have been only too happy to help. She, too, is undoubtedly full -11- ... admiration for Catherine. I expect there will be a video call to wish her a happy birthday and to see the children making a fuss of her."

Next week marks a year since she was admitted to hospital for abdominal surgery -12- ... January 16, just seven days after her 42nd birthday. She spent nearly two weeks in the London Clinic after undergoing the major operation, and was recuperating -13- ... home when she was told she had cancer and had to begin chemotherapy. The royal family is hoping for a better 2025 after what William described as a "brutal" and probably "the hardest" year of his life, with his father, the King, also diagnosed -14- ... the disease. The princess's birthday today falls on the same day as the state funeral of former US president Jimmy Carter. But it will be William's uncle, the Duke of Edinburgh, who will travel -15- ... Washington DC and represent Charles, rather than the heir to the throne as has often been the custom for the funeral of American leaders.

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*Adapted from: Prince William pays tribute to 'incredible' wife Kate on her birthday with emotional statement -*

*Mirror Online*

**Total points: \_\_\_\_\_ / 15 pts**

## VOCABULARY

*Read the text below about an orca carrying her dead calf. Use the word given in brackets and form a word that fits in the space. Write your answers in the spaces provided. There is an example at the beginning (00).*

**This orca is carrying around another dead calf. Here's what we know about how orcas grieve.**

Tragedy has again struck Tahlequah, the orca mom who captured the world's **-00- attention (attentive)** in 2018 when she carried her dead calf on her head for 17 days. Her newest calf, a female, was first seen **-01- \_\_\_\_\_ (short)** before Christmas but perished before the new year. Though other marine mammals have been seen carrying their dead in this way, Tahlequah's 2018 journey across 1,000 miles was **-02- \_\_\_\_\_ (usual)** long—and risky too. Tahlequah, or J35, could not hunt for food while she carried her dead calf this way.

Researchers are once again **-03- \_\_\_\_\_ (worry)** she won't get enough food, though this time her son and sister are staying close by, according to Michael Weiss, research **-04- \_\_\_\_\_ (directorial)** for the Centre for Whale Research. Weiss says during the 2018 journey, Tahlequah's own mother stayed **-05- \_\_\_\_\_ (closeness)** by but has since passed. This time, Tahlequah's sister Kiki is there and has been known to share food with family. Right now, Tahlequah, Kiki, and Tahlequah's son Phoenix are "a little bit **-06- \_\_\_\_\_ (separately)** from the rest of the pod. They are moving slower," Weiss says. Though the group fell behind a bit, they can still hear the rest of the pod, he adds.

Moving slower may be due to the **-07- \_\_\_\_\_ (weigh)** and drag of pushing her dead calf through the water, and it might also be a sign of **-08- \_\_\_\_\_ (grieve)**. Weiss says we can never **-09- \_\_\_\_\_ (true)** know what she is feeling. "We know that the bond between **-10- \_\_\_\_\_ (kill)** whale mothers and their offspring is **-11- \_\_\_\_\_ (incredible)** strong, about as strong as a social bond can be," Weiss says. "We know that J35 is not ready to let go. I think that is as far as we can, or need, to **-12- \_\_\_\_\_ (interpretation)** her emotional state at this point."

Researchers of one study that examined various whale species' **-13- \_\_\_\_\_ (attentive)** and care for the dead suggested a possible reason for carrying a dead calf is that an adult may be trying to **-14- \_\_\_\_\_ (revival)** the newborn. It is also possible that due to strong attachments between a mother and calf, she may be grieving.

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Tahlequah's community, the southern residents, rely on fish. Salmon, in particular the - 15-\_\_\_\_\_ (**prefer**) and endangered Chinook salmon, are scarcer than they once were. This is causing decreased birth rates and declining -16-\_\_\_\_\_ (**populate**). "It's not that they're not getting -17-\_\_\_\_\_ (**pregnancy**) and not even that they're not carrying well into term," Weiss explains. "It's late-stage pregnancy failure, or stillbirths and very young -18-\_\_\_\_\_ (**dead**). Dying young happens in the wild, but the rate that it happens in southern residents is really concerning."

The second death of a child for Tahlequah is heartbreaking for the Lummi people, says Kurt Russo, co-executive director of Se'Si'Le, a Lummi -19-\_\_\_\_\_ (**tribe**) organization. The Lummi have had a relationship with the southern residents for thousands of years and consider the whale community kin. "Southern residents are a clan named Sk'aliCh'elh, that's their name...they are not just animals, they are relatives. People are watching their relatives' children die -20-\_\_\_\_\_ (**needless**)."

*Adapted from: This orca is carrying around another dead calf. Here's what we know about how orcas grieve*

**Total points: \_\_\_\_\_ / 10 pts**

Participant Number: \_\_\_\_\_

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**VOCABULARY: PROGRESSIVE TEST**

*List as many phrasal verbs that include “make” as possible and provide their definition. You will score 1 point for every 3 correctly spelled answers.*

***For example:** make something up - to create something, like an excuse or a story, often with the intention to deceive*

**Total points:** \_\_\_\_\_ *pts*

## READING COMPREHENSION

**Read the following article about “The rise of ultra-processed foods (UPFs)”. For questions 01-10, decide which of the sentences (A-M) below the article best fits into each of the numbered gaps in the article. There are three extra sentences.**

Family mealtimes have become ground zero in the battle against ultra-processed foods (UPFs). From the sugary cereals that start the day to the endless snack options -01-, these foods are reshaping the way families eat – and not for the better. For Rob Hobson, award-winning nutritionist and author, this isn’t just a concern; -02-.

After the success of his book last year, *Unprocess Your Life*, which brought the conversation around UPFs into the mainstream, Hobson has turned his attention to the bigger picture. The clue is in the name. His new book, *Unprocess Your Family Life*, is aimed squarely at families – -03- – who are most vulnerable to the allure of these highly engineered foods. “During my career, I have worked with families, schools and charities, and supported my own family members through healthier habits,” says Hobson. “But there’s been a gap when it comes to teens and tweens.” With 66 per cent of adolescents’ daily intake now coming from UPFs in the UK, he says, -04-. “They’re at such a pivotal stage in their development, both physically and mentally, but they’re often left out of the conversation when it comes to diet and health.” At the core of the issue is the insidious design of UPFs. -05-, they’re engineered to be hyper-palatable – a dangerous trifecta of fat, sugar, and salt. They’re also aggressively marketed, making them not just convenient but unavoidable.

For families, particularly those with picky, stubborn teenagers, this presents a double-edged sword. “UPFs can disrupt taste preferences, making natural, -06- less appealing,” Hobson explains, and adolescents are especially vulnerable. The long-term implications? “Their overconsumption is linked to numerous health risks, including obesity, type-2 diabetes, heart disease, and even mental health challenges. Teens and tweens are navigating a tricky food environment,” he says. “They’re surrounded by peer pressure, -07-, and starting to enjoy the independence that comes with their age. At the same time, UPFs are convenient, affordable, and aggressively marketed directly at them.” -08- when lifelong habits are forged.

Hobson’s goal isn’t to banish indulgence but to empower young people to take ownership of their eating habits, “helping them make better choices without overwhelming them or making food feel like a battleground.” That 66 per cent isn’t just a hyperbolic statistic; reliance on UPFs means young people, especially young girls, are missing out on the -09- during this pivotal stage of life. Iron, calcium, zinc, vitamin D, and magnesium “are crucial for growth, bone health, brain development, and overall wellbeing,” Hobson explains. “Iron supports healthy red blood cells and cognitive function, while calcium and vitamin D are essential for -10-.”

**READING COMPREHENSION-continued**

- A** minimally processed foods
- B** particularly tweens and teens
- C** bombarded with messages on social media
- D** vying for attention after school
- E** critical nutrients they need
- F** provides a quick source of energy
- G** Adolescence is a defining moment
- H** it's a call to action
- I** The solution lies in stricter government regulations
- J** the stakes couldn't be higher
- K** find it challenging to prepare meals
- L** bone strength and development
- M** Energy-dense and nutrient-poor

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*Adapted from: How ultra-processed foods took over family mealtimes – and how to fight back | The Independent*

**Total points: \_\_\_\_\_ / 10 pts**

**LISTENING COMPREHENSION**

*You will hear a recording in which a psychologist discusses research-tested strategies for studying effectively. For statements A to H, indicate the order in which you hear the information by writing the numbers 1-5 next to the statement in the space provided. Three statements do not directly match the texts – put X instead of a number for these.*

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| A. Mix up your study subjects.            | _____ |
| B. Quiz yourself over time.               | _____ |
| C. Re-read class notes.                   | _____ |
| D. Use concept maps.                      | _____ |
| E. Recall information multiple times.     | _____ |
| F. Make the most of study groups.         | _____ |
| G. Highlight important textbook sections. | _____ |
| H. Adapt your favourite study strategies. | _____ |

*Adapted from: Six research-tested ways to study better*

**Total points: \_\_\_\_\_ / 5 pts**

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