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**LISTENING. Watch the video and do the tasks**: <http://learnenglish.britishcouncil.org/en/britain-great/heritage-great-part-1>

***Task 1. What did Richard do in the video? Choose the answers that are true.***

1. He admired the view.

2. He gave some statistics about British heritage.

3. He got dressed up.

4. He got knocked to the floor.

5. He learnt a new skill.

6. He learnt about a downside of medieval life.

7. He looked around the Houses of Parliament.

8. He saw some of the sights of London.

9. He went on a boat tour.

***Task 2: Match the halves of the sentences according to what you heard in the video.***

1. Regent Street...

2. The city's financial district...

3. The Houses of Parliament building...

4. The London Eye ...

5. The London Gherkin...

6. The River Thames...

7. Warwick Castle...

a) is one of the biggest of its kind in the world.

b) separates Mayfair and Soho.

c) goes through the heart of the city.

d) has over three million visitors a year.

e) dominates the London skyline.

f) is otherwise known as 30, St Mary Axe.

g) dates back over a thousand years.

**READING. Read the text and do the tasks.**

**A pet is for life**

1 Before making the leap into pet ownership, there are several points to bear in mind, including how much time you have, the financial commitment, what accommodation you have and how long individual pets can live.

2 There are many reasons for wanting to own a pet. Perhaps you want to get fit by walking a dog or lower your blood pressure by stroking a cat, or simply want to look after another living creature? People who own pets are generally healthier and happier, according to research, which shows that pets can provide meaningful social support for owners, thus improving their lives.

3 This week a leading animal charity branded a British journalist's behaviour as "unacceptable" after she admitted she had abandoned four dogs in four years when they stopped being puppies.

4 No one should go out and get a pet before deciding what type would best suit their lifestyle. From dog and cat to goldfish and reptile, there are so many pets to choose from and so many considerations to take into account first. You should also rule out exotic pets such as primates that aren't really meant to be pets at all and will have been traded illegally.

5 How much time do you have? Be honest, do you have the time to devote to looking after a puppy? They are similar to babies in the time and energy they demand. They cannot be left for hours. They need to be house trained and they also need play time including socialisation with other dogs.

6 If you work 9 to 5 five days a week, you may need to shelve your puppy or dog-owning dreams for now. If you do work full-time and decide to get a dog, ensure that you have reliable people to look after the dog when you're out, or else arrange to have a dog walker exercise your pet.

7 A cat, or other less demanding pet, might be better if you work long hours. Cats, unless they are house cats, move freely between the house and outdoors and can generally fend relatively easily for themselves. A small pet such as a house rabbit could also be a good fit for your lifestyle.

8 Can you afford a pet? Pets can be expensive. You'll need to buy a bed for them as well as food, veterinary treatment including vaccinations and boosters, toys, cat litter, a cage or an aquarium. According to research by The People's Dispensary Sick Animals (PDSA), the lifetime cost of owning a cat is estimated to be around $ 17,000, while a dog can cost between $ 16,000 and $ 31,000, depending on the size of the dog and the amount it eats. Rabbits cost $ 9,000 over a lifetime, according to the charity. Before you get a pet, it's important to consider whether you could afford to pay up to several hundred pounds for veterinary treatment, or else to set aside a monthly amount for pet insurance.

9 Where do you live? Do you live in a flat, or do you have a house with a garden? Do you own your home, or do you rent? Both of these points need to be taken into account. Ideally, a dog needs a garden in which to roam and do its business. Hens are becoming increasingly popular as pets, but do you have the space for a coop? Also, even if you own your home, there could be bylaws in place that restrict the keeping of poultry and other livestock on your property. If you rent, does your tenancy agreement allow you to keep pets? Many do not, or they will allow the keeping of small pets such as goldfish only. Finding pet-friendly accommodation can be a challenge but there are agencies springing up that list such properties.

10 A pet is for life: so how long do they live? These are the typical lifespans of the most common pets. Small dogs can on average live to 11 years old, while larger dogs typically live to around 8 years. The average lifespan for a cat is 15 years but they can live into their twenties. Rabbits can live between 9 and 12 years. Hamsters live for an average of 2 to 3 years. In captivity, and if well cared for, goldfish can live for decades. The oldest goldfish on record lived to 43 years of age.

*(From The Independent)*

***Task 3. Choose the most appropriate answer to the following questions.***

1. What are the benefits of owning a pet according to the writer?

a) To avoid loneliness

b) To improve health

c) Pet owners may have plenty of benefits

d) Pet owners don't have any benefits

2. How did the charity organisation react to the journalist's attitude to her dogs?

a). She was severely criticised.

b). She recieved support.

c). The representatives of the organisation said that they understood the motives of her behaviour.

d). She was slightly criticised.

3. Why can't dogs be left alone?

a) They need socialisation with other dogs.

b) They need socialisation with their owner and other dogs.

c) They must be fed several times a day.

d) They need protection from other domesticated animals.

4. Which farm animals are getting more and more popular as pets in Great Britain?

a) chickens

b) turkeys

c) pigs

d) rabbits

5. What is the average lifespan of goldfish?

a) 10 - 40 years

b) more than 40 years

c) not more than 10 years

d) less then 10 years

6. Is it easy to rent a flat or a house if you own a pet?

a) Very easy, everyone is ready to help you.

b) Almost impossible

c) Quite difficult, but there are agencies who are ready to help you.

d) Not difficult at all, because local law supports pet owners.

***Task 4. Find a word or phrase in the text which means ...***

1. make a serious decision (phrase, P1)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

2. left and never returned to something or someone (verb -ed, P3)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

3. look after themselves without help (phrase, P7)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

4. dry material that is spread in a container and used as a toilet by animals (especially cats) while they are

indoors (noun, P8)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

5. farm animals (noun, P9)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**LANGUAGE IN USE.**

***Task 5. Translate the following into English.***

1. Мынам нимы Саша. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

2. Ижевскын вить ар улüсько ини. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

3. Мон вордски гуртын, но вить ар талэсь азьло Ижкаре улыны лыктüм.

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4. Песянае но песятае гуртын уло.

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5. Гужем каникулъёс дыръя соос доры куное ветлüсько.

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***Task 6. Open the brackets and use the words in the correct form.***

*Memories*

As people get older, the part of the brain responsible for helping record new memories becomes less efficient. New information (1. HAVE)\_\_\_\_\_\_ more difficulty getting in, but memories that were stored in the past do not disappear.This is one of the reasons why elderly people often remember details about (2. THEY)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ youth but sometimes forget what they had for dinner the night before. One lady said, “Things (3. CHANGE)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ a lot since I retired. But I try to keep in touch by sharing life stories with others. For example, I talk with friends about the plot of a book or a good movie. It makes me organize information and strengthens my memory. Isolation is the (4. BAD) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_thing”.

1.\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

2.\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

3.\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

4.\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

*The Aztec*

In the 1400s and early 1500s, the Aztec people controlled a vast empire in the area that is now central and southern Mexico. The Aztec ruled (5. THEY)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ empire from the great capital, Tenochtitlán.

It (6. LOCATE)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ on the site of what is now Mexico City.

The capital reflected the empire’s power and wealth, with its gleaming white palaces and temples. The Spanish conquest of the city in 1521 marked the end of the Aztec Empire. The Indians (7. LIVE)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in the Mexico City region today, however, are largely descendants of those whom the Spanish conquered.

5. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

6. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

7.\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

KEYS

(Максим. кол-во баллов – 43)

**Listening: (16)**

Task 1 (прав. ответ – 1 балл): True: 1; 2; 3; 5; 6; 8;

Task 2 (прав. ответ – 1 балл): 1.b; 2.e; 3.a; 4.d; 5.f; 6.c; 7.g

**Reading: (11)**

Task 3 (прав. ответ – 1 балл): 1 c 2a 3b 4a 5a 6c

Task 4(прав. ответ – 1 балл):

1 make the leap into

2 abandoned

3 fend for themselves

4 litter (cat litter)

5 livestock

**Language in use: (19)**

Task 5 (прав. ответ – **2 балла**): (12)

1. My name is Sasha (2 балла)
2. I have been living (have lived) in Izhevsk for 5 years. (2 балла)
3. I was born in a village (the country/the countryside), but moved (went to live in Izhevsk) 5 years ago. **(**4 балла)
4. My grandparents (my grandmother and grandfather) live in a village (the country/the countryside) (2 балла)
5. I visit them during my summer holidays (2 балла)

Task 6 (прав. ответ – 1 балл) (7)

1. has

2. their

3. has changed

4. worst

5. their

6. was located

7. living