



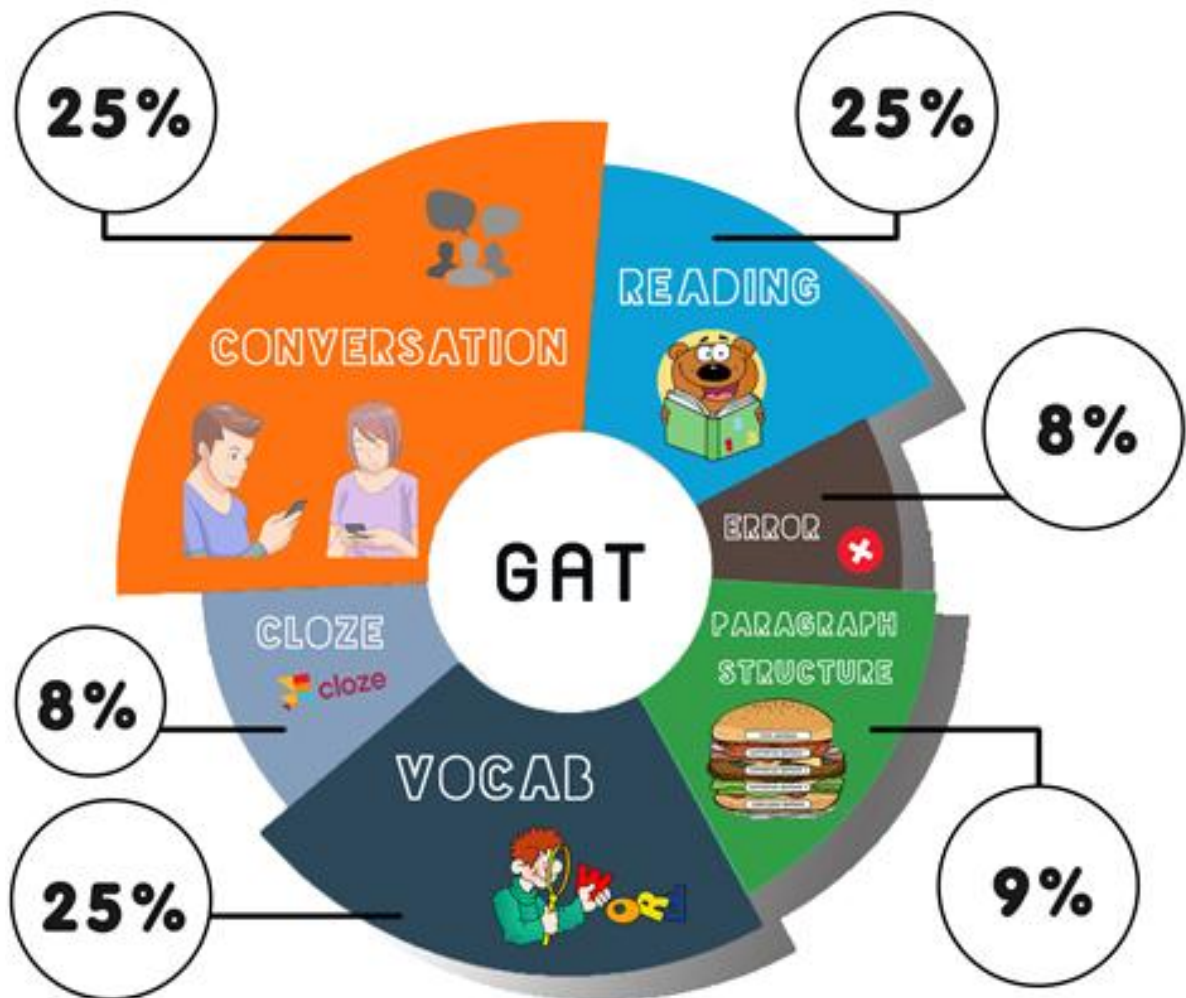
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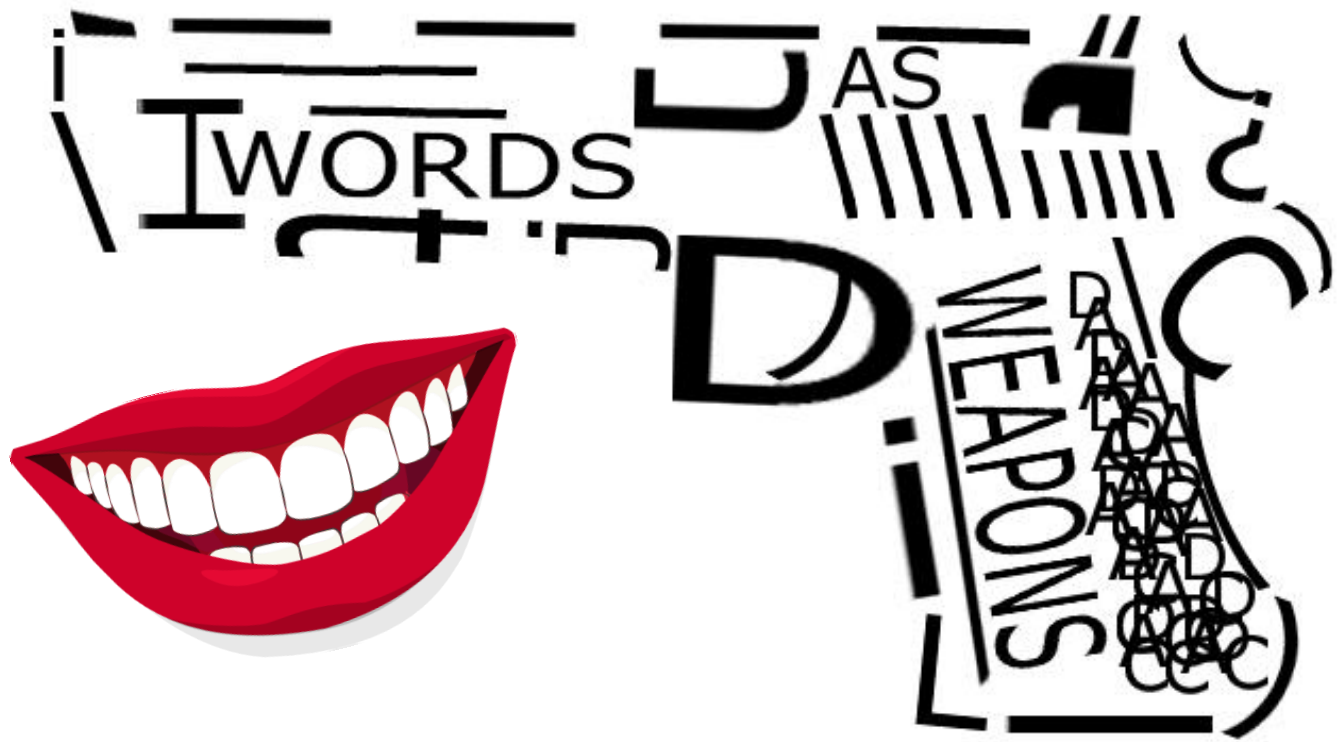
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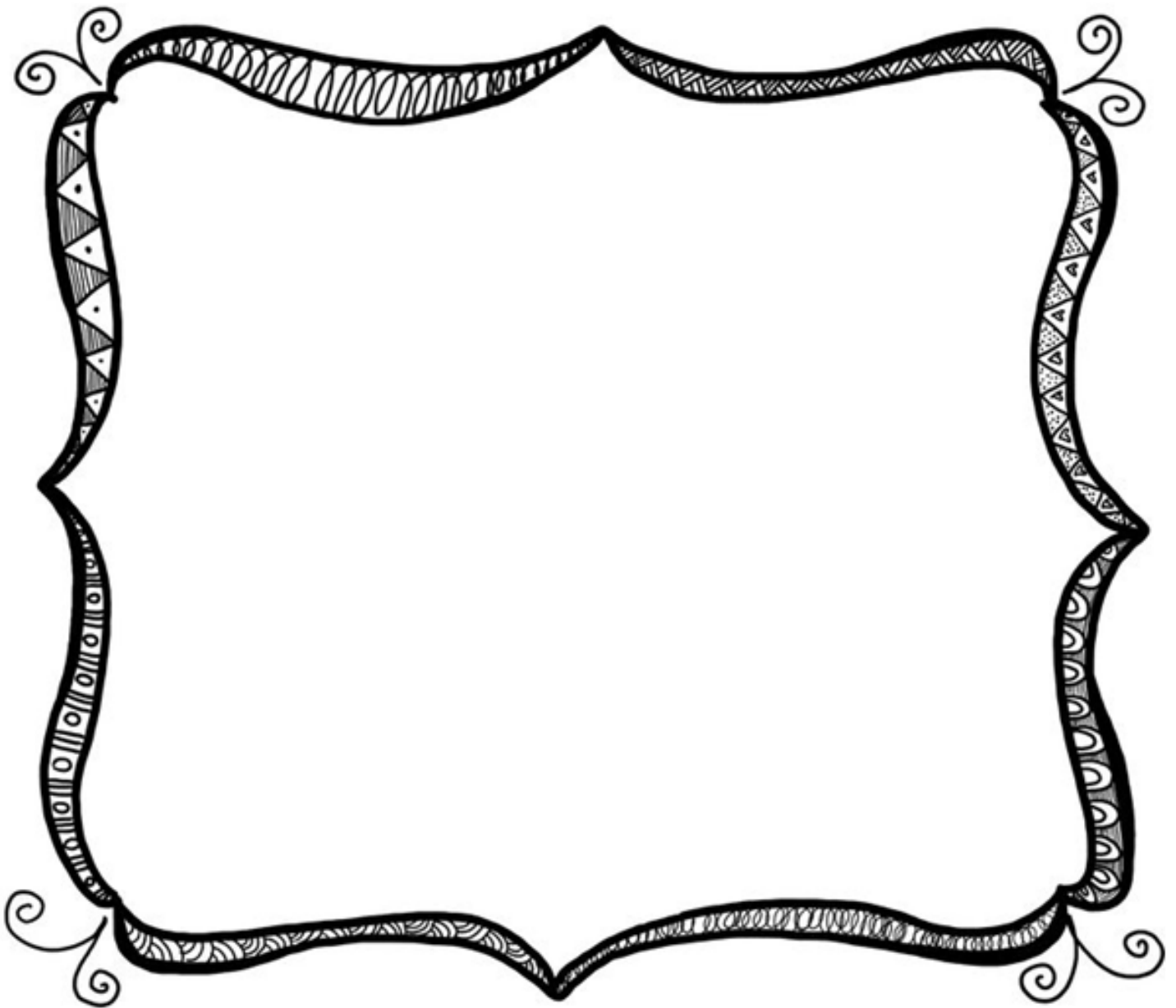
Decode GAT





VOCABULOUS

Vocab Technique



Choose the best answer



1. The glasses were packed in a **rigid** plastic container to avoid damage.(GAT58/1)
 1. inflexible
 2. unrealistic
 3. unimportant
 4. inexpensive
2. An airline spokesman stated that the safety of the passengers was absolutely **paramount**. (GAT58/1)
 1. important
 2. impressive
 3. predictable
 4. avoidable



กลอน : สำคัญ
ความรักเป็นสิ่งสำคัญ♡♡
_____ กันสุดแสนดี
important, _____, คนดี
crucial ขบนี้ _____, ใจ
_____ มี key จับติด
essential แอบซิด _____, gist ห้วนไหว
_____, crux เดี่ยวทำไม
foremost โสดอยู่ได้
_____ ตายพอดี



3. We are miners. So, by closing these mines, you are taking away our **livelihood**. (GAT59/1)
 1. passion
 2. honor
 3. habit
 4. focus
 5. income



4. Swamps, canals, rivers, and lakes are known to be common _____ for crocodiles.
(GAT58/2)

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| 1. residences | 2. habitats |
| 3. venues | 4. settings |

5. Due to political unrest in the area, the _____ of people was expected to take place at any moment. (GAT58/2)

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| 1. exploitation | 2. cooperation |
| 3. recommendation | 4. evacuation |

6. Ebola has _____ to several countries, becoming a global health _____. (GAT58/1)

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| 1. spread, emergency |
| 2. expanded, urgency |
| 3. extended, anxiety |
| 4. evidence, physical |



กลอน : เพิ่ม

สู้ๆหนูขอเพิ่มเกรด ♥♥♥

escalate, _____ , ต้องไหว

_____ , _____ , swell มั่นใจ

mount , _____ หนูได้ครุฑ

expand , _____ , enlarge

increase นลาตจนไม่กล้าหนี

accrue , _____ โตดดี

_____ ร้องยี้ dilate ไม่ทัน

7. While the venom of some snakes is _____ to humans, that of others could be _____. (GAT58/1)

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| 1. harmless, fatal | 2. priceless, vital |
| 3. powerful, curable | 4. frightful, edible |



8. To deal _____ with depression, you must first _____ to yourself that you are depressed.
(GAT59/1)



- 1.successfully, convert
3.sufficiently, confess
5.strategically, suggest

- 2.contentedly, deny
4.effectively, admit



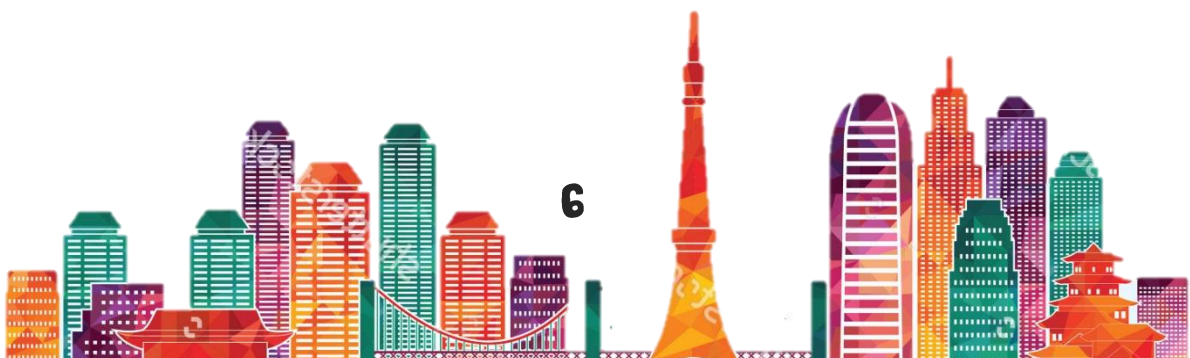
กลอน : สำเร็จ

accomplish, _____, succeed
attain, _____ ร้องกรีดกันใหญ่
fulfill, _____ เสร็จใจ
achieve ร่วมใจ _____ ทันท
bring off, _____, carry out
_____ พวกเราเร่งเข้าเร็วรี
pull through, _____ ตอบดี
การบ้านวันนี้ไม่มีเหลือเลย

9. Maintaining a healthy lifestyle does not have to be _____ but can be _____ with a series of small steps. (GAT59/1)
- 1.demanding, refined
3.challenging, accomplished
5.perplexing, committed
- 2.overwhelming, activated
4.fulfilling, achieved

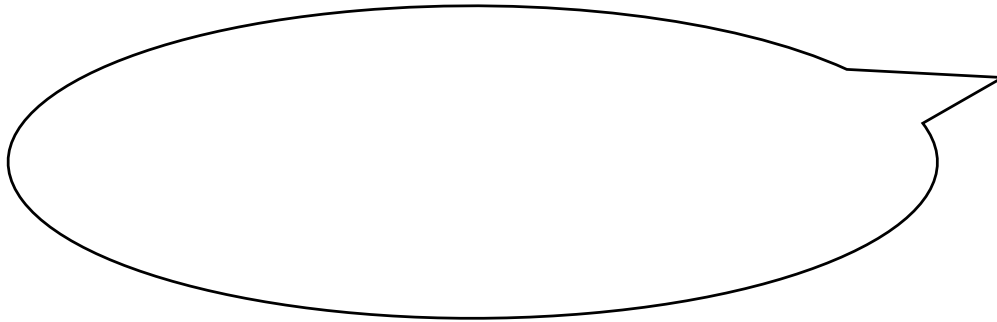


10. The evidence points _____ to the fact that rapid changes of _____ conditions were deadly to most forms of life. (GAT59/1)
- 1.unmistakably, climatic
3.hesitatingly, extreme
5.immediately, unique
- 2.unimaginably, critical
4.pitifully, artificial



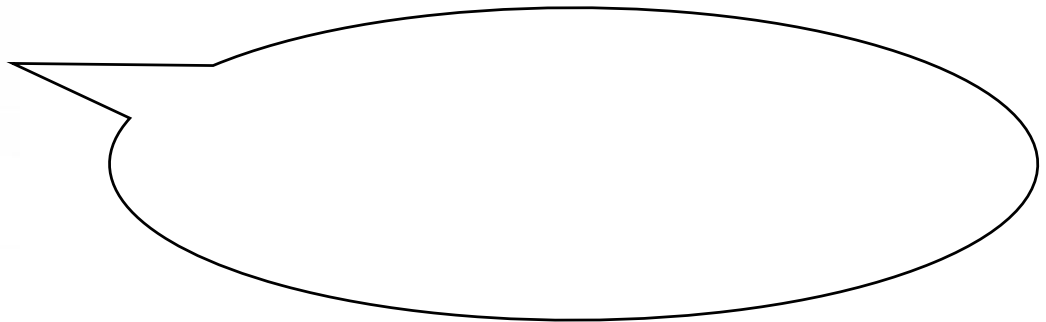
11. Russia's economy has been hit hard by the Ukrainian crisis. (GAT58/1)

1. He was hit by a stray bullet during the attack.
2. We were all hit by the change in the management team.
3. I wouldn't be surprised if these stories hit the front page.
4. Oil prices are expected to hit a new high next week.



12. There's a fair amount of work to be done before we can go home. (GAT58/1)

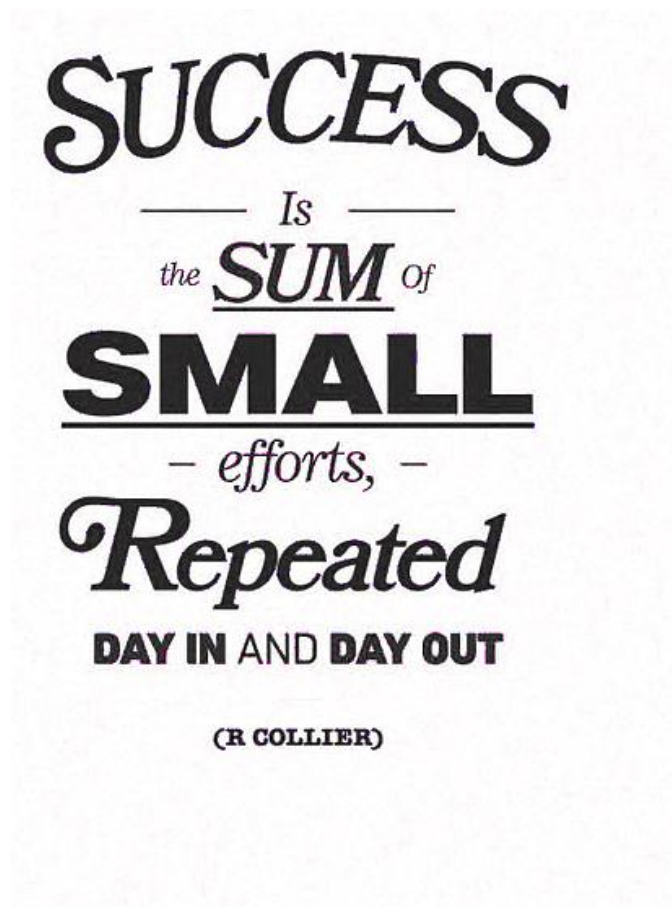
1. He takes it as his duty to be fair to the company and the clients.
2. I think the actors gave only a fair performance of the play.
3. Without sunscreen, fair to medium skin burns in 6 minutes.
4. She lives a fair distance away so I don't get to see her very often.



13. I might have to find a new apartment; my landlord has raised the rent. (GAT58/1)

1. The committee raised the issue of a student's improper behavior.
2. The Nobel Prize winner was born and raised in New York.
3. The board raised the interest rates in response to the changing market.
4. It was quite painful for her when she raised her injured arm.

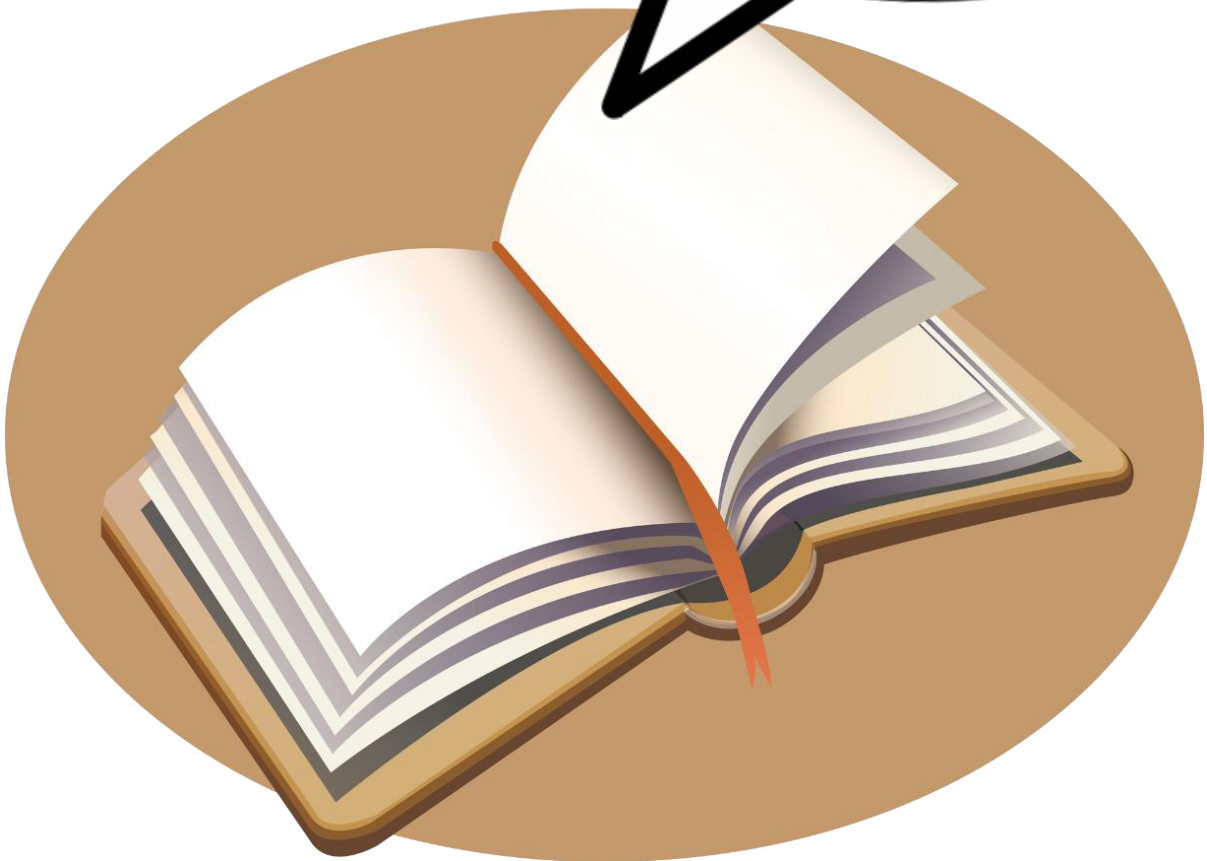
14. Security in the downtown area has been tight throughout the Pope's visit. (GAT59/1)
1. For safety. Please make sure that all screws are tight.
 2. The police are keeping a tight control on immigration to avoid chaos.
 3. I got into a tight situation yesterday because I left my report at home.
 4. It's quite to fit ballroom dancing into my tight schedule.
 5. A heart attack can cause a dull, heavy, or tight pain in the chest.
15. I need to stop at HomePro to see whether they have these batteries in stock. (GAT59/1)
1. At my dad's cattle farm. all the stock are housed in a large barn.
 2. He came from Irish stock , His ancestors migrated to the U.S. in the 1880s.
 3. Chicken stock. The basis of many sauces and stews, is a must-have in the kitchen.
 4. Before the euro crisis, the value of this company's stock rose to a new high.
 5. This bookstore has a large stock of British and American classics.



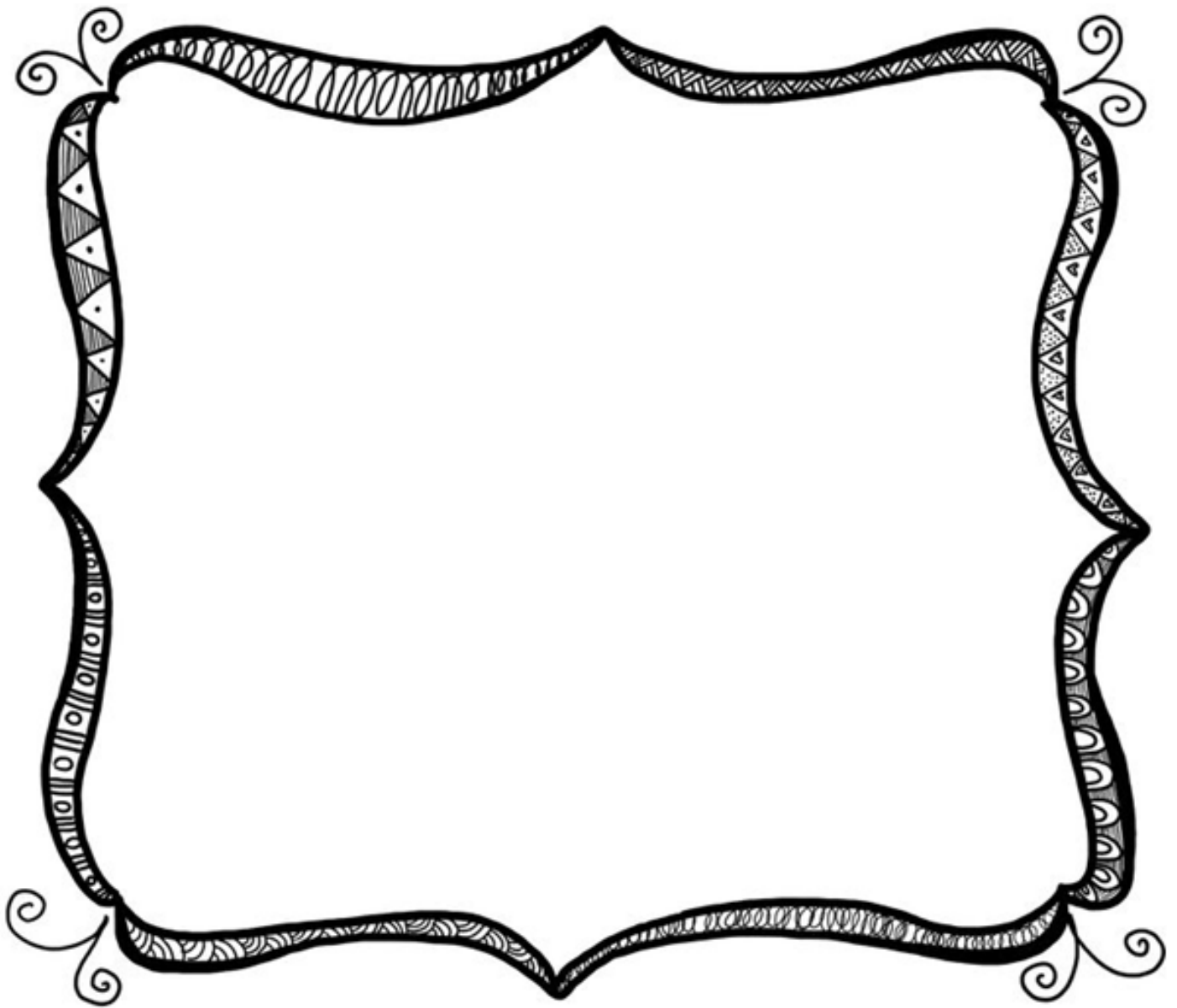
READING

read: |rēd| - v.

to examine and grasp the meaning of (written or printed characters, words, or sentences); to learn or get knowledge from something written or printed; to study



Reading Technique



Choose the best answer.



Passage 1 (GAT58/1)

The shower gets more use than the bathtub in many households. That's why some homeowners are ripping out their tubs and creating bigger showers instead. Extra shower space allows for multiple shower heads, a built-in seat and designs without shower doors, said John Petrie, in an interview about current kitchen and bath trends. Showers can be designed without a threshold, which look more contemporary and are easier for people to use as they get older. "People really like the bigger showers. They like that there's elbow room," said Susie Johnson, a real-estate agent. Meanwhile, comments she hears from prospective buyers about whirlpool tubs when walking through a property are often along the lines of: "That's a nice tub but I don't take baths," she said.

"Now, keep in mind that a home should still have at least one bathtub," Johnson added. "Having a tub will be important at resale for some buyers, particularly those with small children. For high-end homes, buyers expect a shower and a separate bathtub, especially in the master bathroom," she said. One other possible consideration before ripping out a bathtub is how it will be viewed by multiple-listing services when you're selling the home. Realtor.com, for example, defines a "full bathroom" as having a toilet, a sink and a bathtub. A room with a toilet sink and shower is a "three-quarter bathroom." A room with only a toilet and sink is defined as a "half bathroom" or "powder room." "But those definitions aren't universal, and often a full bathroom is considered any room in which a person can bathe (be it by bath or



shower). Besides, descriptions of what the bathrooms contain in the listing help clear up any confusion,” she added.

16. What is being discussed in the excerpt?



1. Showers and families with children
2. Showers and bathtubs
3. Current kitchen and bath trends
4. Big showers and small houses

17. Homeowners might want to get rid of a bathtub if _____.

1. they are worried about elbow injuries
2. they want to have extra shower room
3. there are small children in the house
4. they are considering selling the house



18. According to Realtor.com, a _____ exists in all kinds of bathrooms.

1. toilet
2. shower
3. bathtub
4. threshold





Passage 2 (GAT58/1)

The stakes could not be higher for China, the largest investor in South Sudan's oil sector, as fierce fighting continues between forces loyal to President Salva Kiir and those of his former deputy. Some of the largest oil fields China operates are in areas controlled by fighters backing Riek Machar, the country's vice-president until he was sacked in July. Oil production has already dropped by 20% since the onset of the conflict three weeks ago and more than 300 Chinese workers have been evacuated. The specter of their Libyan experience also weighs heavily on the Chinese minds -- project after project now lies deserted because of heavy fighting during the Arab Spring uprising of 2011, inflicting huge losses on China. It is no surprise then that China is putting its full weight behind the peace talks in Addis Ababa.

Foreign Minister Wang Yi was in the Ethiopian capital on Monday and made it clear that China wanted both sides to stop fighting and seek a reasonable and rational way out. According to media reports, he was even willing to mediate personally between the warring sides. "It is unclear if Mr. Wang has been able to do this, but his message was important," reports the BBC's Emmanuel Igunza from Addis Ababa.

"It demonstrates how seriously the international community is taking the crisis -- with many diplomats present at the talks," he says. Apart from China's Africa envoy Zhong Jianhua, US special envoy Donald Booth and EU special representative Alexander Rondos are also attending.



19. The phrase 'the warring sides' refers to _____.

1. Chinese workers and the Sudanese government
2. Chinese and Ethiopian armed forces
3. supporters of South Sudan's President and ex Vice-President
4. China's oil companies and Libya



20. According to the passage, why is China anxious about the crisis?

1. They are supporters of world peace.
2. Fighting has interfered with its oil production.
3. 300 Chinese workers have already been killed.
4. Fighting could start in the Ethiopian capital.

21. The function of the last sentence is to _____.

1. describe the intensity of the situation
2. hint at another possible outcome
3. contradict the preceding sentence
4. support the preceding sentence



22. Which of the following is NOT true?

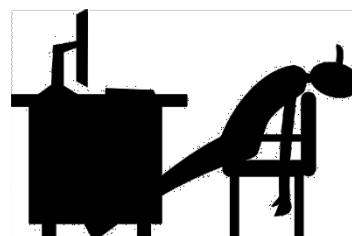


1. The stakes could not be very high for a large country like China.
2. China suffered huge losses as a result of fighting in Libya.
3. Ethiopia hosted peace talks where China made their intentions clear.
4. The US and EU did not ignore the ongoing crisis.

Passage 3 (GAT58/2)

Bangkok has many options of co-working spaces for freelancers, start-ups and small companies and their number is on the rise. *Hive* in Bangkok, the brand's first international branch outside Hong Kong, has an inspiring interior with its loft feel and ample natural light coming through large windows. The seven-storey building offers different settings. You can work like you do at coffee shops in the lounge area. If you come and go with laptops, there are hot desks that you can use for a short time. If you need to bring your desktop and leave it there on your own desk, it can be arranged. Should you already work with a small team of people, rent your own office. Or work while drinking beer at the rooftop garden bar.

Hive creates an environment that encourages productivity but connects like-minded people who work in different trades. They bring members together through activities such as movie nights and networking over beers. They also have Hivers Seeking Help, an email list that members can use to ask for or give help. People who have already signed up with them include a film-maker, magazine team, app developer and advertising agency. The ratio between Thai and expat members is now 50:50.



23. Based on the passage, the word that best describes the interior design at *Hive* is

_____.

1. classic
2. airy
3. fancy
4. colorful



24. Which of the following is **TRUE**?

1. *Hive* discourages the consumption of alcohol.
2. *Hive* provides members with customers' emails.
3. *Hive* has its headquarter in Hong Kong.
4. *Hive*'s clients are mainly Thais.

25. What is **NOT** being implied?

1. Working in a nice atmosphere could increase your productivity.
2. A membership here may lead to future collaborations.
3. *Hive* is ideal for people who can only work in peace and quiet.
4. *Hive* enables you to meet people in other field.



26. The phrase 'hot desks' refers to desks _____.

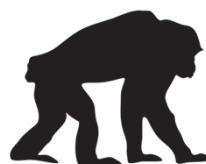
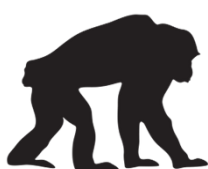
1. that do not belong to anyone in particular
2. for those who would rather work outdoors
3. for those whose laptops need to be repaired
4. where people come to ask for or offer help



Passage 4 (GAT59/1)

Since Charles Darwin's day, scientists have hotly debated whether some animal display emotions beyond those associated with parental care or other aspects of survival and reproduction. Darwin thought that, because of the evolutionary connection between humans and other animal, many emotions must be similar across species. He believed that monkey, for instance, experienced grief and jealousy. As well as pleasure and anxiousness. But assigning emotion such as these to animals gradually lost its popularity among scientists. By the early 20th century, the behaviorist theory **held sway**. Claiming that only observable behavior of animals, not their interior lives, could be studied with rigor. However, the belief in animal emotion has gradually been revived, thanks in part to anecdotes from long-term field studies on large-brained mammals. In Tanzania, a young chimpanzee died from grief only weeks after the death of his mother.

In Kenya, elephants attended to dying comrades and stroke the bones of deceased relative. Field biologists and anthropologists began to ask whether, and how, animals mourn.



27. What is the main idea of the passage?

1. Scientists have been looking into animals parental care, survival instinct, and reproduction.
2. Scientists have been arguing whether animals are capable of feeling a range of emotions.
3. Humans and animals are similar in that their observable behavior can be studied.
4. Darwin is best known for his contribution to the field of evolutionary biology.
5. The attribution of emotions to animals was not widely accepted within scientific community.



28. The phrase '**held sway**' is closest in meaning to _____.

1. became unsteady
2. lost influence
3. had evidence
4. was dominant
5. gave way

29. The chimpanzee in Tanzania was mentioned in order to _____.

1. oppose Charles Darwin's view
2. illustrate the idea in the sentence before
3. contradict the previous sentence
4. call for scientists to be more open-minded
5. show behaviorists influence on biologists field work



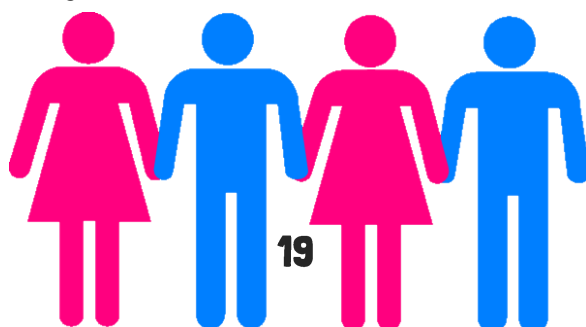
30. Which of the following is **TRUE** according to the passage?
1. Behaviorist theory did not believe that animals experience jealousy.
 2. According to Darwin, monkey are the only animals that share human emotion.
 3. Darwin's hypothesis about animals feelings was based purely on observation
 4. Biologists and anthropologists did not agree with the studies in Tanzania and Kenya.
 5. Research on Kenya has proven that some animals do express jealousy.

Passage 5 (GAT59/1)

When it comes picking car colors. Men and women _____. That's the most contentious color? Orange – according to recent data from iSeeCars.com, a search engine that collects data from online car listings. Black cars were the most popular, regardless of gender – getting about 16% of inquiries last year. White was a close second with 15% and silver had 13%

As for gender, men and women were sharply divided on brighter colors. Orange wasn't popular for either gender, but shoppers who were interested in the color were overwhelmingly male. Men liked brown paint jobs, but women preferred gold and silver much more often.

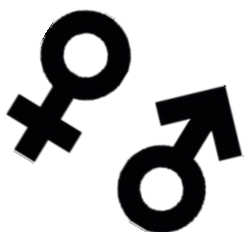
Surprisingly, red isn't as popular as it used to be. Red is typically one of the most popular color outside the grey scale. Swapalease.com said in January that red cars were listed the most behind white, silver and black. Red, however, fell behind blue in iSeeCars.com ranking, though it still had a good lead in front of other colors – including green, gold, beige, brown and yellow.



31. The phrase that best completes the blank in the first sentence is _____.

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| 1. are in agreement | 2. prefer brighter colors |
| 3. are quite similar | 4. do not always agree |
| 5. have a hard time deciding | |

32. In the data gathered by iSeeCars.com, _____ is both genders most favorite.



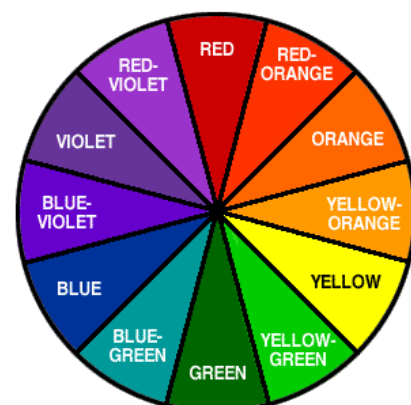
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| 1. white | 2. silver |
| 3. red | 4. black |
| 5. gold | |

33. According to iSeeCars.com, the order from least to most favorite is _____.

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|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. white, red, silver | 2. brown, white, orange |
| 3. orange, red, black | 4. blue, red, brown |
| 5. blue, gold, black | |

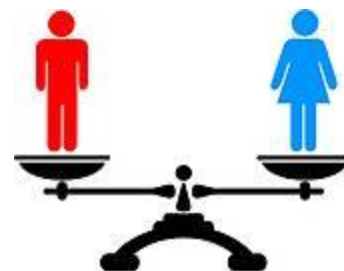
34. Based on the surveys, car manufacturers might be able to boost their next year sales by____.

1. making a lot more bright colored cars
2. specifically targeting customer of one gender
3. increasing spending on advertising
4. reducing production of popular colors boost demand
5. increasing the manufacturing of cars of gray shades



35. How did the result of the more recent survey differ from a similar one done in January?

1. Gender was not an important factor.
2. Data was gathered from more than one source.
3. One of the finding was unexpected.
4. Blue was in the top of the preferred color list.
5. The purpose of the recent survey changed.



Passage 6 (GAT59/1)

When British doctor Greg Lewis wanted to contribute more to the world, he looked into leaving the U.K. to serve less fortunate patients. That seemed a better way to do good than working in a pristine hospital.

But when he crunched the numbers, they told a different story. By treating patients in a poor country, he calculated he might save 4 lives a year. By choosing a specialty at home and working toward an annual salary of \$200,000, he could donate up to half to a charity providing antimalarial bed nets – saving dozens of lives per year. As William MacAskill explains in his book, *Doing Good Better*. Lewis chose to earn in order to give.

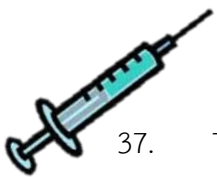
MacAskill takes a surprising approach to the rules of charity, suggesting that impulsive acts of kindness can often do more harm than good. Boycotting brands that use sweatshops, for example, risks putting workers out of much-needed jobs with better conditions than they



would otherwise find. Choosing where and how much to give should be “a scientific approach,” he writes.

It’s also a choice that should become a priority for corporations, Matthieu Ricard argues. In his new book, *The power of Compassion to Change Yourself and the World*, the author maintains that investing in acts of kindness can actually help make a profit. After Johnson & Johnson started a health initiative, for example, two-thirds of its smoker employees quit cigarettes – saving the company \$250 million in health care bills.

36. What is the best title for the passage?
1. How to make a decent living in the U.K.
 2. How to do well in the medical profession
 3. How to start a charity for the less fortunate
 4. How to do well when you do good
 5. How to stop companies from abusing employees



37. The clause ‘**they told a different story**’ means ____.
1. the result suggested that Dr. Lewis should continue to earn money in the U.K.
 2. the patients surprised Dr. Lewis with their version of what really happened
 3. the number of patients in the poor countries is far greater than in the U.K.
 4. the results suggested that Dr. Lewis should work in a poor country
 5. the numbers convinced Dr. Lewis that he should choose his specialty based on the needs of the poor

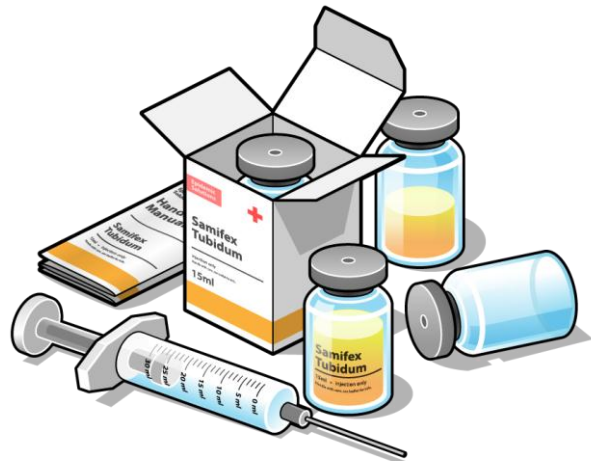
38. What can be inferred from the passage?

1. Malaria is the leading cause of death in less developed countries.
2. Johnson & Johnson should not discriminate against smokers.
3. We should never buy from companies that run sweatshop.
4. Doctors earn more in the U.K. than in other part of the world.
5. Dr. Lewis used a scientific approach in doing good.



39. The word _____ best describes Dr. Greg Lewis.

1. impulsive
2. compassionate
3. calculating
4. adventurous
5. harmless

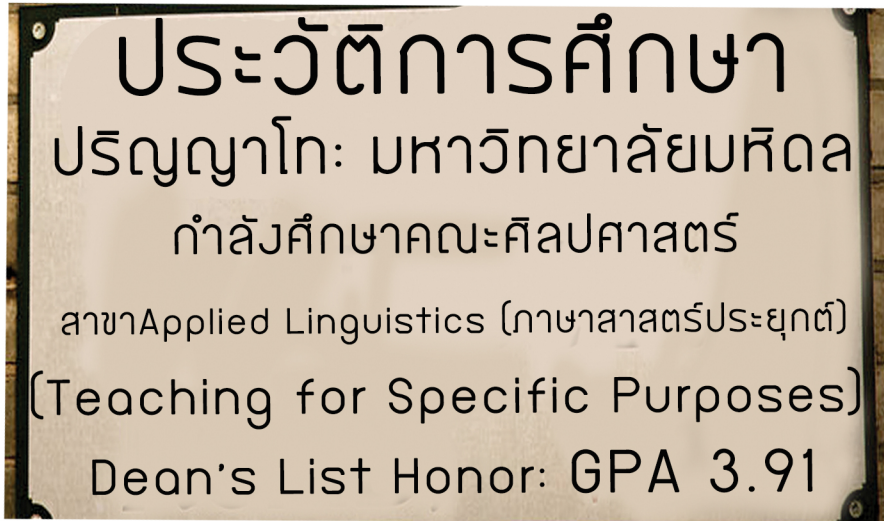


40. Ricard's book argues that _____.

1. corporations cannot afford to pay their workers' health care bills
2. companies need to set their long-term investment priorities
3. companies should encourage their workforce to quit smoking
4. acts of kindness can help companies that have hit rock bottom
5. acts of kindness make good business sense for large companies

41. Based on the passage, which statement is TRUE?
1. Doctor Greg Lewis is a good doctor but he cannot do math.
 2. Lucky patients are put in pristine hospital where they get the best care.
 3. The more people donate, the richer they become.
 4. Johnson & Johnson employees are healthier than those elsewhere.
 5. Not all charitable ideas are practical to those in need.





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