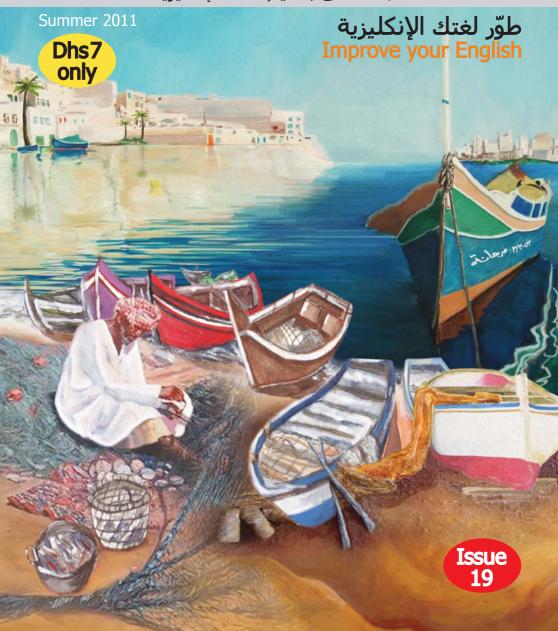
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Welcome back to English 4 U.

Our cover story is about **fishing** and the sea. These are important in Emirati heritage.

In the intermediate section, our characters, Fadi and Shadi, are in Russia. What's the difference between good and better? Read pages 28 - 31 to find out.

Advanced learners can read about **Jaws**, a well-known story about a great white shark. **The dozen words** are related to **rainforests** and staying on the subject of trees, what do you know about **mangroves** in Abu Dhabi? Read pages 50 & 51 to learn more.

Of course, you will also find the usual mix of **puzzles**, **jokes** and **competitions**. Please continue to send us your letters, stories and poems.

Finally, have a fun and relaxing summer.

Happy reading!

أهلاً بكم مجدداً في مجلتنا.

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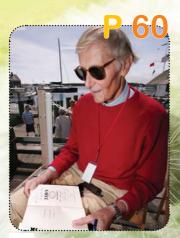
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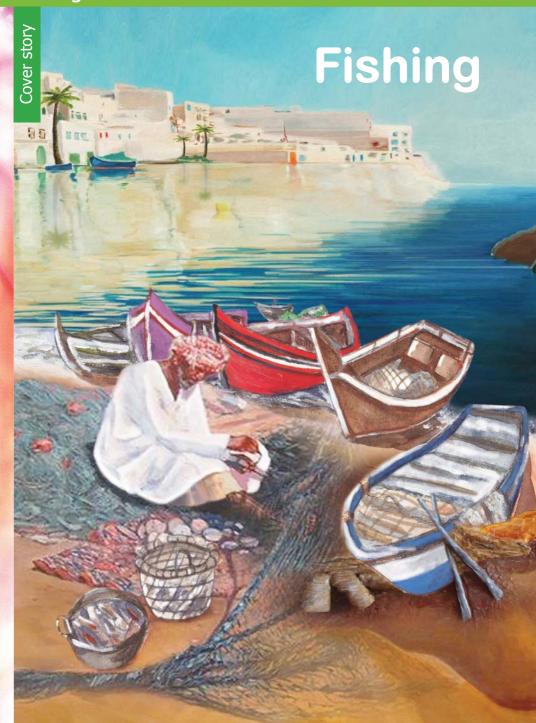
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For centuries the sea has played a big part in the lives of Emiratis, and even today it provides an important source of food.

Fishing is both a job and a hobby. In the past, pearl diving was also important in many coastal towns and villages, but that has now died out.

Here is a conversation between a customer and a fisherman.

Customer: Good evening.

Fisherman: Hi and good evening.

Customer: Your fish looks very fresh.

Fisherman: Yes, we returned from our fishing trip

a short time ago.

Customer: Can I ask you some questions about

your job?

Fisherman: Of course, no problem, go ahead.

Customer: Thanks. How often do you go fishing?

Fisherman: We go everyday but if the sea is rough

then we can't fish. We fish in the mornings and sometimes again in the

afternoons.

Customer: What are the best months for fishing?

Fisherman: We fish all year round but the winter

months are best because the weather is

cooler.

Customer: How many fishermen go in the boat?

Fisherman: Between two to four.

Customer: What kinds of fish do you catch?

Fisherman: It's always a surprise! We use a net so

we never know what's in the net until we bring it onto the boat. The most common types of fish are *hammour*, *shaari*, *tuna* and *sardines*. We put each type of fish

into a different basket.

Customer: Do you earn a lot of money?

Fisherman: That's a secret! But the more fish we

catch, the more money we earn. Our ancestors used to dive for pearls and there's always a chance that when you open an oyster you will find a pearl and

become rich!

Customer: Thank you for your time. I think fishing is

a difficult and dangerous job.

Fisherman: It is but we enjoy it.

Customer: I hope to see you again. Goodbye.

Fisherman: Don't forget to buy some fish before you

go! Bye.



Vocabulary builder



a boat

A boat travels on water

The sea is a large body of salt water that covers most of the earth's surface.

the sea

A net is something that you use to catch fish.



a net

A fisherman is a person who fishes as a job.



a fisherman

Fishing pictionary



An oyster is a sea animal that has a small body inside a hard shell.

an oyster

A Pearl is a small, white gemstone that you find in some Oyster shells.

a pearl

A basket is a container for carrying things.



a basket



A piranha¹ _____ a fresh-water fish that² _____ in the Amazon and Orinoco Rivers in South America. Piranhas³ ____ up to 26 centimetres long.

There⁴ _____ different types of piranha. They ⁵ _____ very sharp teeth and they⁶ ____ other fish and animals such as ducks.

Some people who⁷ _____ near to these rivers eat the piranha.



Tongue twisters are sentences that are difficult to say. They are good pronunciation practice. Try saying this quickly to a partner.

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Messages 1 Student's Book Unit 10 Grammar Practice

Present continuous used for the future

Complete the sentences. Use the present continuous form of the verbs.

- 0. We __'re_going_ _ to the museum tomorrow. (go)
- 1. Ben _____ skiing in November. (go)
- 2. I _____ Karen at ten o'clock. (meet)
- 3. You _____ a science test on Friday. (have)
- 4. They _____ their homework after dinner. (do)
- 5. Anna _____ tennis tomorrow. (not play)
- 6. I _ _ _ _ dinner tonight. (not cook)
- 7. Mum and Dad _____ to the concert on

Saturday. (not come)



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Suggestions

Complete the suggestions with the words in the box.

ride Why Let's Shall don't have we play

- 0. Shall we ____have ___ a pizza for lunch?
- 1. _____ have some fruit juice.
- 2. _____ don't we go for a walk this morning?
- 3. Shall _____ go swimming tomorrow?
- 4. Why _ _ _ _ we go to the cinema this evening?
- 5. Let's _____ a computer game.
- 6. _____ we take some photos?
- 7. Let's _____ our bikes in the park.

7 SCORE

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going to: affirmative

Find a mistake in each sentence. <u>Underline</u> the mistakes and correct them.

0. She going to visit the museum.	She's
1. Cathy and I is going to have a drink.	
2. My fathers going to buy a new car.	
3. They're going make some sandwiches.	
4. I going to watch TV after dinner.	
5. Jack going to buy some new jeans.	
6. We's going to visit our grandparents.	
7. Her brothers are going play football.	

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going to: negative

Complete the sentences. Use going to with 'm not, isn't or aren't.

- 0. I _ m _not _qoing _to _ listen to him.
- 1. Mel _____ sing this evening.
- **2.** We _____ buy a lot of food.
- 3. Naomi _ _ _ _ tidy her room.
- 4. They _____ watch a video.
- **5.** It _____ rain today.
- 6. I _____ argue with you.
- 7. We _____ swim in the river.

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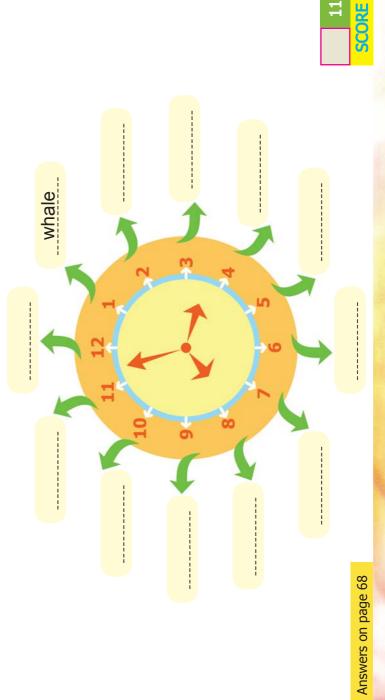
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Sea creatures - matching



Names clock

Arrange the creatures on page 18 in order of size. Write the largest next to 1 and the smallest next to 12. We have done the first one for you.





We will send a dictionary to the writer of the best letter and print it in the next magazine.

Send your letters by email to:

competition@english4u.ae

We would love to hear from our younger readers, so if you are aged 16 or under, get busy with your keyboard!

Summer will soon be here and with it the long holidays. After another busy school year, we are all in need of some rest and relaxation. Some people will travel to other countries but many of us will stay in the UAE.

So for the benefit of everyone staying here, we would like you to tell us about the fun things you can do in your home town or city during the summer. For example, you can visit the new water park in Ras Al Khaimah, or perhaps have fun at Ferrari World in Abu Dhabi, the world's largest indoor theme park, or have a night visit around the zoo in Al Ain.

Whatever you enjoy doing in your town, write and tell us about it. Use a **maximum** of 50 words.

Minidictionary



These words appear on pages 7 - 11.

ancestor (n) basket (n) boat (n) bring (v) catch (n) cool (adj) dangerous (adj) difficult (adj) earn (v) enjoy (v) fish (n) fish (v) fisherman (n) forget (v) fresh (adj) leave (v) market (n) money (n) month (n)

net (n)

often (adv) oyster (n)

pearl (n)

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return (v) يعود - يرجع rich (adj) غنی rough (adj) هائج sardine (n) سردين sea (n) بحر secret (n) سار surprise (n) مفاجأة trip (n) رحلة tuna (n) تونة weather (n) طقس winter (n) شتاء 34 words (n) = noun (v) = verb (adj) = adjective (adv) = adverb Try to remember these words. Now make sentences using the following words ... boat: enjoy: fresh: pearl:

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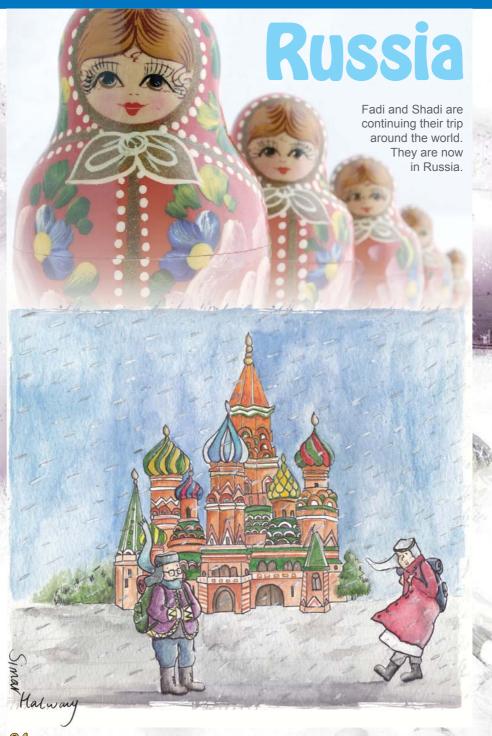
Joke corner

One word bluff

Pick the one word which doesn't fit.



Around the world with Fadi & Shadi



Around the world with Fadi & Shadi



Shadi: I know I'm in Russia because it's c-c-c-cold outside!

Fadi: Did you know that Russia is the biggest country in the world, with an area of 17 million square kilometres or more than 200 times bigger than

the UAE?

Shadi: No I didn't but then geography was never my strong point! Does it have a huge population?

Fadi: The population is around 142 million which is smaller than India's but larger than Germany's.

Shadi: I've noticed that not many people speak English and the writing looks strange.

Fadi: That's because it's written in a script called Cyrillic. A lot of countries in eastern Europe also use this alphabet. A few of the letters are the same as the English alphabet.

Shadi: Moscow is the capital. Is it the biggest city in the country?

Fadi: Yes, it is. The second largest city is called St Petersburg. The distance between the two is about 630 kilometres.

Shadi: Much further than the distance between Abu Dhabi and Dubai. There are some amazing buildings in and around Red Square. The buildings are very ornate and the tops look like onions!

Around the world with Fadi & Shadi

Fadi: You're right - people refer to them as onion domes.

Shadi: It really is cold. Luckily we're wearing heavy, warm clothes. But now I know why Russians go the UAE for holidays!

Fadi: Moscow has very cold winters but if you go to the south of the country the winters are milder.

Shadi: I have a suggestion. Let's have a boat excursion on the River Moscow. That way we can rest our feet and get warm. The views from the boat will be better than from here.

Fadi: Great idea. In the evening we can go to a traditional restaurant and enjoy food and music. Of course, it will be nicer but also more expensive than a fast food place.

Shadi: I want to do a bit of shopping. You know I hate shopping but I promised my sister I would buy her a set of Russian dolls - the ones that are made of decreasing sizes placed one inside the other.

Fadi: What a nice brother you are! They are called matryoshka, or babushka dolls. They are cheap and colourful and easy to carry. Well, we've got lots to do. Come on, let's head to the river.



Find the mistakes and correct them.

Be careful - some of the sentences are correct!

- 1. Russia is biggest country in the world.
- 2. In Russia not many people speaks English.
- 3. The capital is Moscow.
- 4. Winters in Moscow have cold.
- 5. More people live in Moscow than St Petersburg.
- 6. We can have a boat trip in the river.
- 7. The River Nile runs through Moscow.
- 8. Wooden Russian dolls is cheap.

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GRAMMAR designation

Comparative Adjectives

Look at the pictures.







tall

taller

heavy

heavier







more expensive

taller / heavier / more expensive are comparative adjectives.

We use a comparative form of an adjective to compare two things.

We use er with nearly all short (one-syllable) adjectives. Sometimes the spelling changes.

Adjective	Comparative
old	older
slow	slower
hot	hotter
big	bigger
easy	easier
noisy	noisier

■ We use more with long (two-syllables or more) adjectives.

famous	more famous
expensive	more expensive
beautiful	more beautiful

There are a few irregular adjectives.

good	better
bad	worse
far	further

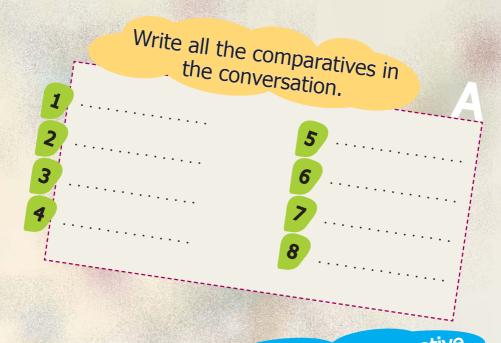
We use than after a comparative form to connect the two things we are comparing.

Comparative adjectives - activities



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Comparative adjectives - activities



Complete the sentences using a comparative.

- An action film is than a comedy.
- Badria is than Shaima.
- 3 My marks in the quiz were than yours.
- 4 In summer, London is than Abu Dhabi.
- 5 A Ferrari is than a Honda.

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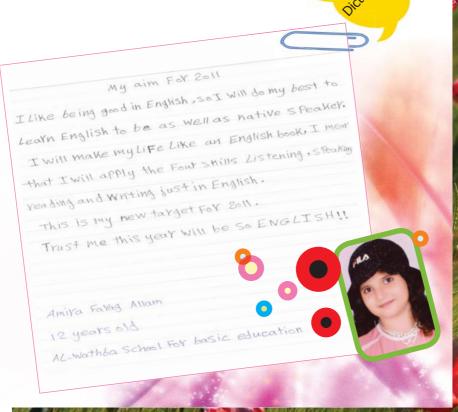
Kids'space

Thank you for all the contributions you sent us about "things you would like to achieve in 2011".

We enjoyed reading them and there was a nice mix of serious and fun things you want to do. For a few readers, thrills were important - Saif wants to race around Yas Marina in a Ferrari and Marwa wants to make a parachute jump. Abdulla from Baniyas wants to play football for Manchester United but admits this is highly unlikely! Some just want to do well in exams, and a few want to improve their English.

Whatever you want to do, we hope you will achieve it.

The winners are three sisters, Amira, Manar and Yasmine from Abu Dhabi.



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My aim for 2011

I usually do my homeworks ommy computer but I stillueed 'help' to compatert emy assignments done This year I promise myself to learn every teeny tinything about using the computer.

It's the modern world and I have to be like It!

Manar Farag Allam.

9 years old

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My aim for 2011 666

It always been a target to me to read more books and being cultured, but It is not that easiness. I mean school, home works and science projects make me feel that I have a lot of things to know.

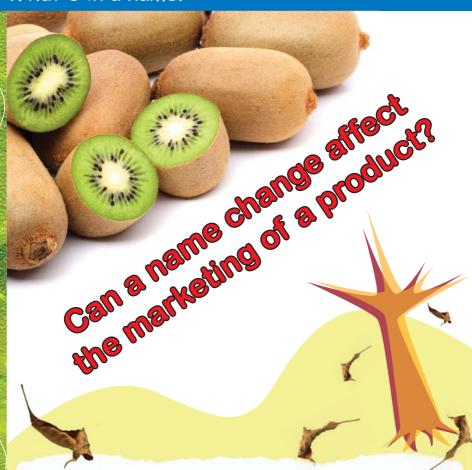
I have this will to persist in my aim. I know I can do It because It's my

own future and reading is my life.



Yasmine fallag Allam 14 years old Grade 10 Omamh Bint Albarith Second School ...

What's in a name?

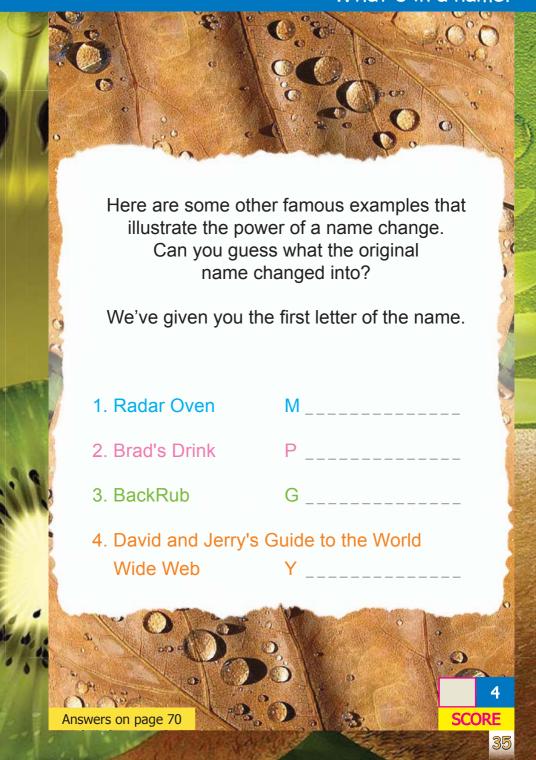


The kiwifruit, known as kiwi in many parts of the world, was originally called the *Chinese gooseberry*.

Kiwis are oval and about the size of a large hen's egg. It has a fibrous, brown skin and bright green flesh with rows of small, black, edible seeds. The fruit has a soft texture and a unique flavour. It is a commercial crop in several countries, mainly in New Zealand, Brazil, Chile and Italy.

The fruit was renamed by New Zealand exporters for marketing reasons in the 1950s. This name "kiwifruit" comes from the kiwi - a brown flightless bird and New Zealand's national symbol, and also a colloquial name for the New Zealand people.

What's in a name?

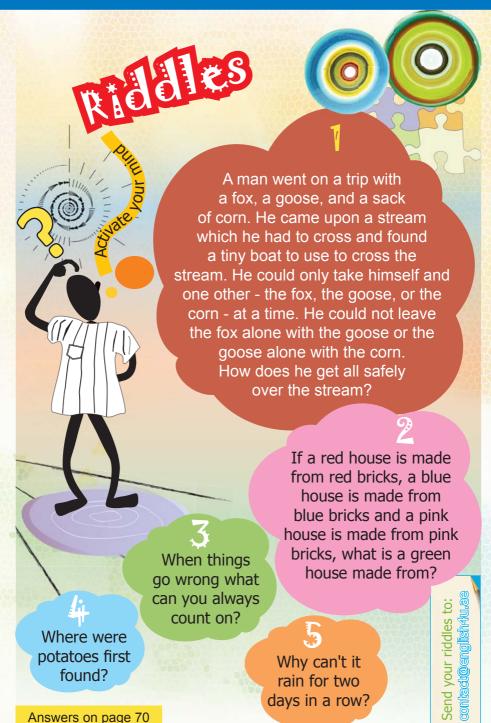


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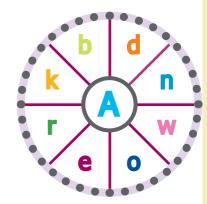
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Puzzles are a good test of your vocabulary.

How many words can you make from the letters in the wheel? Each word must contain the hub letter A.

Can you find a 9-letter word? There are at least 48 other words of four letters or more.



2. SEA MIX

Here are eight words related to the sea.
Can you unscramble the letters, and find out what they are?



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- 1. HODW
- 2. INHFSIG OATB
- 3. OATBIFLE
- 4. FLIEGURAD
- 5. RRYFE
- 6. MRINAEBSU
- 7. TAINCONRE HIPS
- 8. ANKRET

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5	 6	
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Friendship

My name is Dona, I am in grade, I will talk about the most important thing in our life, It's the friendship, the friendship is an in-depth, relaxed relation ship. Being able to trust and relax with your friend is a big part of friendship. My best friend is Logain Mobarak, I Love her so much, because she's honest and kind so she is my savourite friend, but real friends are seldom now, so we must maintain our friends.



written loy:

Dana Najeeb

Grade:

School: Al Hadarah







My name is Reem Zakareya Al Qadi.

I'm 7 years old. I study at AL Kawakeb

Elementry School in R.A.K. U.A.E.

I will tell you about my dream in the future.

I want to be a dentist to help the kids

to take care of their teeth and also

teach them how to Keep them clean and

healthy. That's all about my dream and

I hope one day it becomes real.



Thank you Reem





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What do leopards say after lunch? 'That sure hit the spots!'

What's the difference between a barking dog and an umbrella? You can shut the umbrella up.

What do you get from nervous cows? Milk shakes.

Why was the father centipede so upset? All of the kids needed new shoes.

Why was the bee's hair sticky? Because he used a honey-comb.

Why was Thomas Edison able to invent the light bulb?

Because he was very bright.

I have ten legs, twenty arms, and fifty-four feet. What am I?

A liar.







Hard Level



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This month's proverb



Meaning

There are many different ways of doing something.

This proverb is based on the fact that the Roman Empire's excellent road system radiated from the capital, Rome, like the spokes of a wheel. So all roads went to Rome, which at one time was believed to be the centre of the world.

Origin

The earliest recorded use in English appears in Geoffrey Chaucer's *Treatise on the Astrolabe* in 1391: 'Right as diverse pathes leden diverse folk the righte wey to Rome.'

Example

So long as you finish your assignment on time, I don't care how much help you get - all roads lead to Rome.

Mad about idioms!

An idiom is a form of speech or an expression that is peculiar to itself. Grammatically it cannot be understood from the individual meanings of its elements. This month we explain a few idioms related to boats and sailing.



How well do you know these idiomatic expressions?

Try matching them up. Good luck!

1 Push the boat out

Do or say something that causes problems.

2 Miss the boat

Someone who is mentally and physically exhausted.



Rainforests dozen



rainfall deforestation fungi ecosystems predators

Put the right words in the gaps.

We have done the first one for you.

The *tropical rainforest* is a forest occurring in tropical areas of heavy are located around the _____ where temperatures stay near to 27° C degrees all year round, and there is high humidity. Rainforests receive 400-1000 cm of rain each year. The largest rainforests are in Brazil (South America), Zaire (Africa) and Indonesia (South East Asia).

The rainforests contain many³ _____ of wildlife and vegetation. Although they cover less than 2% of the Earth's surface, they are home to 40-75% of all life forms on our planet. Rainforests are the most productive and most complex⁴ ____ on Earth.

A tropical rainforest is typically divided into four main ⁵ , each with different plants and animals adapted for life in that particular area. These layers are emergent, canopy, lower canopy and forest floor. The <i>emergent layer</i> contains a small number of very large ⁶ which can reach heights of 45-60 m. Eagles, butterflies, bats, and some monkeys inhabit this layer.
Below the emergent layer is the <i>canopy</i> layer. This contains the majority of the largest trees, typically 30-45 m tall. The densest areas of ⁷ are found here. The fauna is more diverse and a quarter of all insect species are believed to exist in the rainforest canopy.
The <i>under canopy</i> layer lies between the canopy and the forest floor. This is home to a number of birds, snakes, and lizards, as well as a such as jaguars and leopards. Insect life is also abundant.
The <i>forest floor</i> , the bottom-most layer, is dark and damp and receives a tiny amount of sunlight. Only plants adapted to low light can grow in this region. Many forms of grow here which help decay the animal and plant waste.
Tropical rainforests provide timber but 10 (cutting down trees) is a major problem caused by humans. Another factor causing the loss of the rainforests is expanding urban areas.
Rainforests have value as 11 destinations and for the ecosystem services they provide. If development in the rainforest is 12 then these special forests will continue to flourish for the benefit of all mankind.

What do you know about mangroves?

In parts of Abu Dhabi and along the coast you can see mangroves. These are trees that grow in hot, inter-tidal areas. They have the unique ability to survive in salt water, which would mean death for other trees.

In order to survive in salty water, the roots lift the plant out of the salty water and various clever methods are used to either filter out or exclude the salt. These aerial roots above water, allow them to breathe.

The UAE's variety of mangrove is called *Avicennia marina*, also known as the grey or black mangrove. Over the past year or so, more than 750,000 mangrove saplings have been planted in coastal areas and on Jubail and Saadiyat islands.

The Environment Agency in Abu Dhabi has plans to restore mangrove habitats that have been affected by development in other coastal areas. Mangrove forests are among nature's most biologically productive habitats. They are attractive to birds, fish and invertebrates such as shrimp. These forests help to stabilise and protect the coastline.



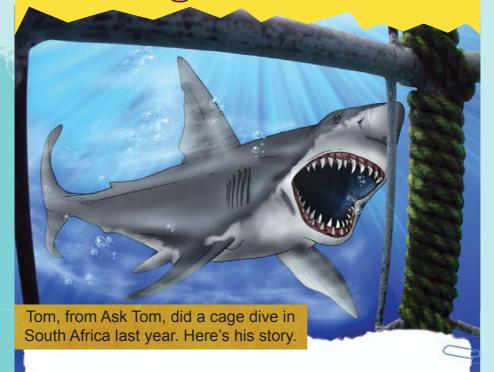
Understanding the reading

Writing questions are often more difficult than writing answers.

Write short questions for these answers.

)?	1. Q
You can see them in parts of Abu Dhabi and along the coast.	Α
)?	2. Q
They grow in salty water.	Α
)?	3. Q
The variety of mangrove is called Avicennia marina	Α
)?	4. Q
Over 75,000 mangrove trees have been planted.	Α
)?	5. Q
The Environment Agency in Abu Dhabi is restoring them.	Α
)?	6. Q
They are important because they help to stabilise and protect the coastline.	Α

Diving with sharks



First I'd read the book, and later saw the film Jaws and always wanted to see some real great white sharks. The opportunity to see sharks in their natural habitat arose during a holiday in South Africa.

The tríp began in Gansbaai, a small town 160 kilometres east of Cape Town. It's a well-known cage diving destination.

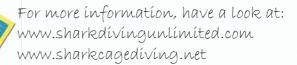
We met at the cage dive operator's crew house. There were about 20 other eager divers. Following a safety briefing, including all the do's (take photos, ask questions...) and don'ts (throw things into the water, jump overboard...) we set off.

We quickly reached our destination about 10 kilometres offshore. Then the captain anchored the boat. After that the crew began throwing some 'chum' into the water. This is a mixture of minced tuna and sardines and attracts the sharks.

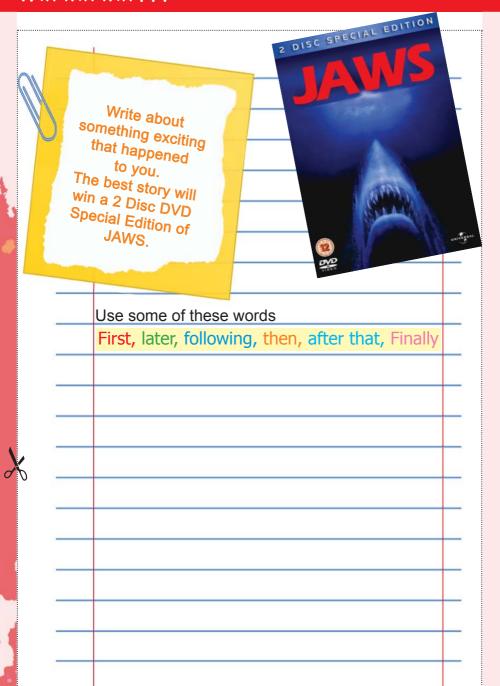
The water is cold so you must wear a wet suit which covers the whole body and keeps you warm. You also wear a face mask. The cage is attached to the boat at all times, with at least 60 centimetres above the water. It holds up to six people. You stand in the cage with your head above the water and when the sharks are swimming near the cage you put your head under the water to get great views. The sharks range in length from 2 to 5 metres.

Of course, sharks are wild and there is no guarantee that you will see any. I was lucky and saw about 10 at close-up range. Nearby there is Dyer Island, home to 50,000 seals, and a major attraction for the sharks!

Finally, the trips last around 3 hours and costs Dhs700. I had a fantastic time and survived to tell the tale. For adventure seekers, it's a once in a lifetime experience.



Win win win . . .



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Hello my dear Friends. Lam Voor. Lam 13 years. old. I'd like to start my subject with this proverb: Oneapple aday Keeps the doctor away. I think that you can guess what I amgoing to talk about. Well my subject is about being healthy. The heart is the most important part in the body, so we must keep it healthy, strong and active by following these tips: first, we have to keepaway from junk food because it is full of fat and it is harmful . Next, We should follow abalanced diet to keep our bodies always healthy. Moreover, practicing some sport is also useful to be fit and strong. Swimming and walking anethy bestexircises tinally it is important to sleep early energy day because early to bed early to rise make you healthy, wealthy and wise





Siberian tiger

Siberian tigers are the world's largest cats. They live in forests in eastern Russia. There are an estimated 400 to 500 Siberian tigers living in the wild. Although the climate is far harsher than for those of other tigers, these forests are sparsely populated and give the tigers lots of space.

The state of the s

Tigers are the biggest of all wild cats and are renowned for their power and strength. Tigers live alone. They are powerful hunters that travel long distances to find prey, such as bears, wild boar and deer*. Tigers use their coats as camouflage and hunt by stealth. They lie in wait and creep close enough to attack their victims with a quick spring and a fatal pounce.

*deer - the plural of deer is also deer (a deer, two deer . . .).

What other common animal and fish also have the same singular and plural forms?

1. _____ (clue: animal-wool)

2._____

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(clue: fish-pink)

Answers on page



Name: Siberian Tiger, also known as the Amur

Mammal Type:

Far Eastern Siberia. Russia Habitat Diet: Bears, wild boar and deer

Life span: 20 years Size: 3.3 metres Weight: 300 kilograms

Orange and black stripes, white underneath Colour:

Group name: Ambush or streak of tigers

Baby tiger: Cub

Protection status: Endangered

Fun with words

A collective noun is a word used to define a group of objects, where objects can be people, animals, or other things. In English there are many different collective nouns. For example, in the phrase "a crowd of people," crowd is a collective noun.

There is great diversity of collective nouns associated with animals.

Try matching these collective nouns to the correct animal.

a.

dogs 2. herd h whales

3. pack elephants

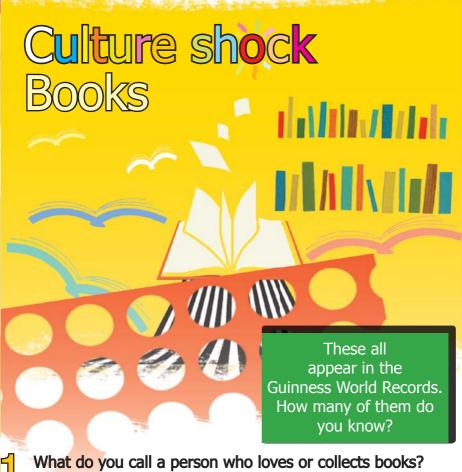
school/pod 4. d lions 5. pride sheep e.

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1.

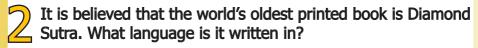
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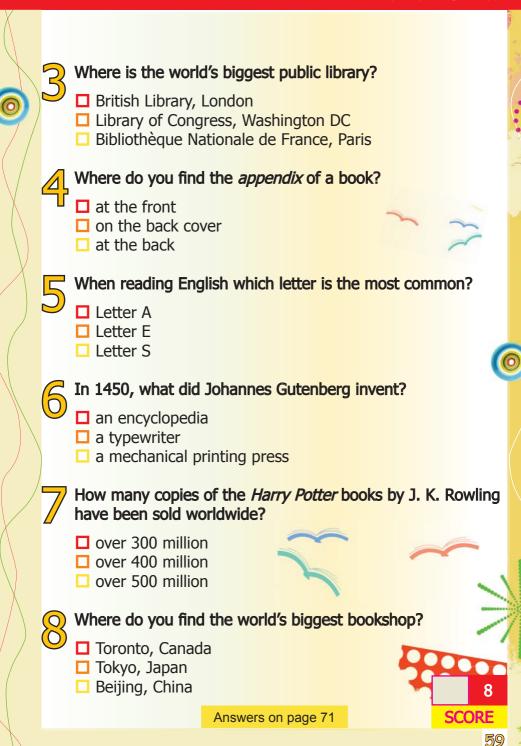


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- a bibliophile
- a librarian



- Chinese
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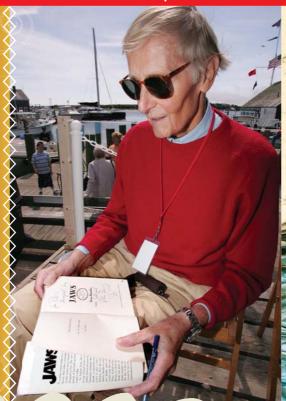




Intro to literature - Peter Benchley

For many people, reading is a great pastime. However, in our busy lives, we don't always find enough time to read.

Try to read something each week. Reading will improve your English.



peter Benchley

Peter Benchley (8 May, 1940 - 11 February, 2006) was an American author who is best known for his novel *Jaws*. It tells the story of a great white shark that preys upon a tourist resort, and the efforts of three men to kill it.

Intro to literature - Peter Benchley

After leaving university he worked as a journalist and later as a speechwriter in the White House for President Lyndon Johnson.

Benchley developed the idea of a man-eating shark terrorising a community after reading of a fisherman catching a great white shark off the New York coast in 1964. He also drew on some material from shark attacks in the same area in 1916.

Jaws was published in 1974 and became a huge success. The film was released in 1975 and was directed by Steven Spielberg. It made over \$450 million.

He wrote numerous other books of fiction as well as some non-fiction works but nothing achieved the success of *Jaws*. The film is regarded as a watershed film in motion picture history, the father of the summer blockbuster film.

Benchley became very rich from book sales and film rights.



The story is set in Amity, a quiet town near New York.

One night, a young woman called Chrissie Watkins goes for a swim and never returns. The next day police find her partial body on the beach.

Police chief Martin Brody knows it was a shark attack and wants to close the beaches, but is overruled by important people in Amity. They are afraid that if they close the beaches and announce a shark attack in the newspapers then summer tourism, on which the town's economy relies, will be damaged.

A few days later, the shark kills a young boy, an old man and a fisherman who was hunting it. Despite pressure to keep the beaches open, Brady closes them. An oceanographer, Matt Hooper, says that it is a Great White shark, a fish they call the 'man-eater'.

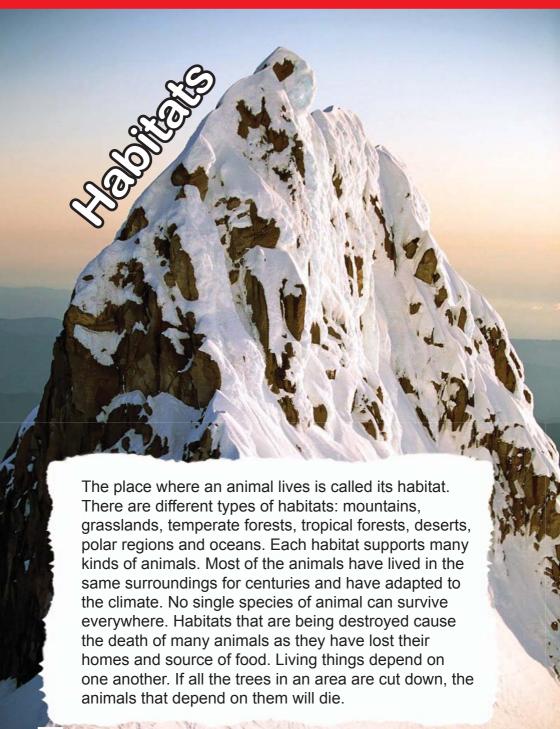
After a boy narrowly escapes being attacked by the shark close to the beach, Brody hires Quint, a professional shark hunter. The three of them, Brody, Quint, and Hooper set out on Quint's boat, the *Orca*, to track down and kill the shark.

During their first two days at sea they find nothing. On the third day, Hooper goes underwater in a shark proof cage to photograph the shark and attempt to shoot it with an underwater gun, or shark stick. However, the shark attacks the cage and kills him.

When Brody and Quint return the following day, the shark repeatedly rams into the boat, and Quint harpoons it three times. The shark leaps onto the boat and the boat starts to sink. Quint plunges another harpoon into it, but as it falls back into the water, his foot gets entangled in the ropes and he drowns. Now floating on a seat cushion, Brody spots the shark swimming towards him and closes his eyes, preparing for death. The shark gets to within a few metres of him, before succumbing to the wounds inflicted by Quint. Brody manages to get safely to shore.

Now it's your turn!

If you have read a book that you really enjoyed, then write a summary of it in about 300 words. We will send you a book token if we print your story.

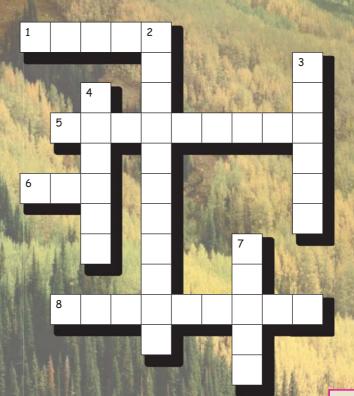


Across

- 1. This flows into the sea e.g. the Nile (5)
- 5. The Himalayas have a lot of these, including Mount Everest (9)
- 6. The polar regions are covered with this (3)
- Oceans are made of this (9)

Down

- These forests exist in very hot and humid areas of the world e.g. the Amazon (11)
- This is a very dry and usually hot place (6)
- 4. This has many trees (6)
- $\ensuremath{\mathbb{7}}_{\circ}$ About 72% of Earth's surface is covered by this (5)



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Common mistakes



A few has a positive meaning and refers to a small number of something.

Few also refers to a small number of something but has a negative meaning.

Compare:

A few friends came to the party. (positive)
Few friends came to the party. (negative)

Complete the sentences using 'a few' or 'few'.

- 1. Miriam was sad because she broke ______ glasses when she dropped the tray.
- 2. You're lucky because you have problems.
- S. Fortunately, I could buy the new CD because I had dirhams left.
- 4. Following the price rises angry customers complained to the shop manager.
- 5. At night the bus service isn't very good there are buses.

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Answers on page 71

Dear Tom

I love learning English and your magazine is very helpful for me and my classmates. After a few months I'm planning to take the IELTS exam so I can go to university here. My teachers tell me that my English good but I want it to be perfect.

I sometimes get confused with the words 'have' and 'having'. How can I use these verbs?

> Best wishes Rania

There's a simple rule but like most rules there are some exceptions.

We use the present simple 'have' to talk about possessions:

- Amina has a mobile.
- They have a house. 0
- The students don't have a car.

We use the present continuous 'having' to talk about actions that are happening at the time of speaking or around the time of speaking:

- I'm having a shower.
- They are having fun at the party.
 - We're not having dinner at home tonight.

Have a look at the present continuous exercises on pages 14 - 17.



Easy Level

☐ Page 9

(son - sun, I - eye) These words have different spellings and meanings but sound the same.

- 1. buy bye 2. to - two 3. no - know
- 4. for four 5. see - sea

☐ Page 12

1. is 2. lives 3. grow 4. are 5. have 6. eat 7. stay

- B
- □ Page 13 S
- □ Page 14 1. 's/is going 2. 'm/am meeting
- 3. 're/are having 4. 're/are doing
- 5. isn't/is not playing
- 6. 'm/am not cooking
- 7. aren't/are not coming

SE

P

OA

75

try again

very good

excellent

N

E

Т

good

FINAL SCORE

0 - 20

21 - 40

41 - 60

61 - 75

- K E
- SHE RM A(N) Ι Т
- OY S (T) ER

Page 15

1. Let's 2. Why 3. we 4. don't 5. play 6. Shall

□ Page 16

- 1. is are 2. fathers father's 3. going going to
- 4. I I'm 5. Jack Jack's 6. We's We're 7. play to play

□ Page 17

- 1. isn't going to 2. aren't going to 3. isn't going to 4. aren't going to
- 5. isn't going to 6. 'm not going to 7. aren't going to

□ Page 18

shark I, dolphin D, octopus B, prawn F, fish K, shell C, lobster G, crab E, seahorse J, polar bear L, penguin H

□ Page 19

(Answers may vary)

- 2 shark, 3 polar bear, 4 dolphin, 5 penguin, 6 fish, 7 octopus,
- 8 lobster, 9 crab, 10 sea horse, 11 prawn, 12 shell

☐ Page 21

(Answers may vary)

- 1. We took a boat between the islands.
- 2. Everyone enjoyed the barbecue.
- 3. These vegetables are really fresh.
- 4. She is wearing a beautiful <u>pearl</u> necklace.
- 5. The weather is hot in summer.

Medium Level

□ Page 23

- 1. coal not a type of renewable energy
- 2. recycling not harmful for the environment
- 3. water not a fossil fuel
- 4. atmosphere not a harmful substance
- 5. throw away opposite meaning
- 6. refund repay; not use again
- 7. seawater not a fossil fuel

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FINAL	SCORE
0 - 10	try again
11 - 20	good
21 - 30	very good
31 - 49	excellent

☐ Page 27

1. Russia is <u>the</u> biggest country in the world. 2. In Russia not many people <u>speak</u> English. 3. OK. 4. Winters in Moscow <u>are</u> cold. 5. OK. 6. We can have a boat trip <u>on</u> the river. 7. The River <u>Moscow</u> runs through Moscow. 8. Wooden Russian dolls are cheap.

☐ Page 30

- 1. stronger 2. colder 3. heavier 4. harder 5. better 6. more modern
- 7. happier 8. more important 9. worse 10. cheaper

☐ Page 31

A)

- 1. bigger 2. smaller 3. larger 4. further 5. milder 6. better 7. nicer
- 8. more expensive

B)

- 1. nicer, better, more boring, more exciting . . .
- 2. taller, shorter, older, younger . . .
- 3. better, worse, higher, lower . . .
- 4. wetter, colder, windier, cooler, more expensive, cheaper . . .
- 5. faster, more expensive, better, nicer, more dangerous, more beautiful . . .

Answers

☐ Page 35

1. Microwave 2. Pepsi Cola 3. Google 4. Yahoo!

□ Page 37

- 1. Take the goose over first and come back. Then take the fox over and bring the goose back. Now take the corn over and come back alone to get the goose. Take the goose over and the job is done!
- 2. A greenhouse is made from glass. 3. Your fingers. 4. In the ground.
- 5. Because there is a night in between.

☐ Page 38

1.

9-letter word - BREAKDOWN. Some other words of four letters or more containing the hub letter A: abode, adore, anew, bake, baker, band, bank, banker, bare, bark, barn, baron, bead, beak, bean, bear, beard, board, brake, bran, brand, bread, break, broad, dare, dark, dawn, dean, dear, drab, draw, earn, near, okra, onward, rake, rank, read, road, wade, wake, ward, warden, ware, warn, weak, wear, wreak . . .

2.

1. dhow 2. fishing boat 3. lifeboat 4. lifeguard 5. ferry 6. submarine 7. container ship 8. tanker

Hard Level

□ Pages 46 & 47

1 = E 2 = D 3 = B 4 = A 5 = C

☐ Pages 48 & 49

2. equator 3. species 4. ecosystems 5. layers 6. trees 7. biodiversity

8. predators 9. fungi 10. deforestation 11. tourism 12. sustainable

☐ Page 51

(Questions may vary.)

- 1. In the UAE, where do you see mangroves?
- 2. In what kind of water do mangroves grow?
- 3. What is the name of the mangrove that grows in the UAE?
- 4. How many mangrove trees have been planted?
- 5. Which agency is restoring mangrove habitats?
- 6. Why are mangroves important?

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1. sheep 2. salmon

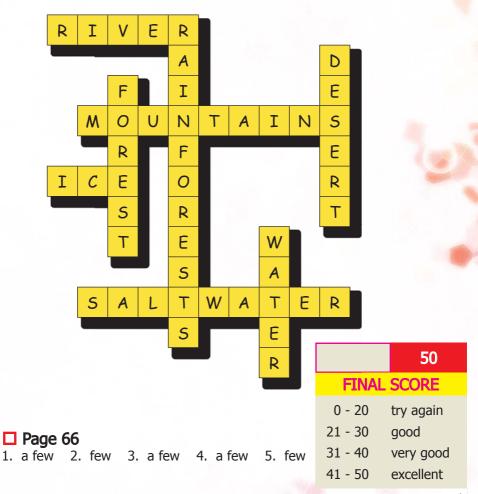
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1. e 2. c 3. a 4. b 5. d

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1. 2. 3. 4. 5. 6. 7. 8.

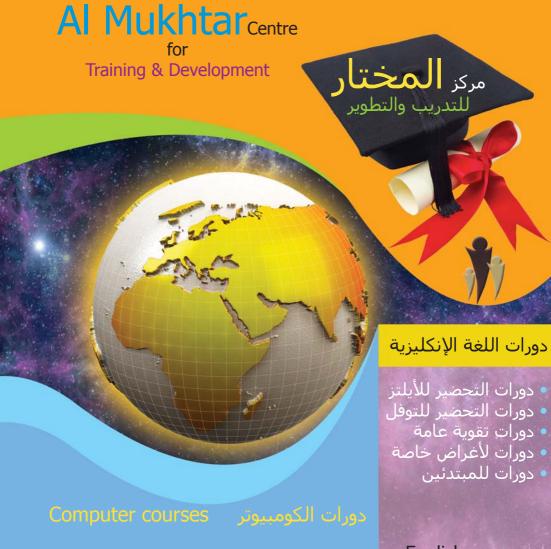
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