COMPREHENSION

Cloze Passage

Insert suitable words in the blank spaces to complete each sentence

Jill was walking to her class slowly. She was worried ______ the History test she would have to ______ that morning. As she was reaching the classroom, a piece of paper suddenly fluttered down and ______ near her feet. As Jill glanced down at the paper, her heart nearly ______ a beat. It was the History test paper complete ______ answers!

Jill's very first thought was not to _____ anyone about what she had found. She would memorize _____ the answers and do extremely _____ in the test. After some hard thinking, however, she knew that it would be a very _____ thing to do. Besides, it would not be _____ to her classmates. In the _____, Jill returned the paper to her History teacher, Miss James.

"Thanks, Jill. I have been searching high and ______ for it," said the teacher.

"I... I've read all the questions _____, Miss James," Jill confessed.

Miss James ______ her not to worry as she would think of new questions for the test. Jill's ______ sank. She was half hoping that the test ______ be cancelled. Nevertheless, she did her best in the new test later that day.

A few days later, the test papers were _____ to the class. To her pleasant surprise, Jill discovered that she had _____ eighty marks.

"You know something," she told her friends. "I could easily have scored ______ marks if I had cheated on this test. But I wouldn't be as pleased as I am ______ with the eighty marks I obtained."

Use these words to fill the blanks. They are NOT in the correct order.

now	heart	well	full	told	all	scored
already	tell	low	with	would	end	returned
fair	missed	landed	take	about	dishonest	

Summarize each text or passage below into one sentence

Some people like to eat pineapple fresh with a sprinkling of salt. This gives it a touch of sugar mixed with chilli powder with extra zap. It is made into ice-cream, cookies and cake. Its juice is delicious by itself or as the basis for many tropical cocktails. Pineapple enhances chicken curry and is an important component of sweets and sour dishes.

Almost all species of bats are declining rapidly. This is largely due to slaughter, habitat loss and pesticide poisoning. Fruit bats are also a table delicacy to many Asians. In Europe, some bat populations have fallen by 90%, resulting in an explosion of insect pests that requires increasing sue of dangerous chemical pesticides.

The ancient Chinese believe that tea is good for a number of ailments. Not surprisingly, many people world-wide take tea believing that the refreshing drink is good for health. The ardent tea drinkers believe that tea has such power to calm as it stimulates, to give much pleasure while doing little harm.

Due to rapid increase in population in the cities, there are not enough houses. In actual fact, most of the migrants cannot afford to buy or even rent a house. The lucky ones may live with friends and relatives. Many of them resort to staying in squatter areas which may lack the basic amenities like water and electricity. Diseases are widespread and so are crimes.

For those interested in camping, here are some useful tips. First, remember to choose your equipment carefully to enable you to travel light and yet have all your need. Your personal need may include clothing, shoes, and toiletries. A rucksack is useful as there is a lot of walking. Ensure that your camping group bring along a first-aid kit.

After retiring as a commercial diver, Raj decided to set up a diving school of his own. He proved to be as successful as a trainer as he was a commercial diver. Thousands of professional divers from all over the country have graduated from his training school. His advice has been constantly sought and he has given lectures and conducted short courses all over the world.