The Big Challenge paper 2026

3ª media

Answer key / Correction

1



In the photo, the girls are ... .

- inside someone's house
- **eating outside** ✓
- unhappy to be outdoors
- in the street at night

2



Find the right title for this photo.

- **A Street Party** ✓
- A Road Accident
- Arguing with the Neighbours
- Meeting New Colleagues

3



What can you see in the photo?

- pizza, a brush, trees
- snacks, houses, a field
- **cups, T-shirts, a flag** ✓
- drinks, chips, a hill

4

There's a ... in the town centre where you can borrow books.

- **library** ✓
- hospital
- garage
- pool

5

Someone who tells the truth is ... .

- evil
- polite
- friendly
- **honest** ✓

6 Choose a name for this "family" of words: post, like, follow.

- **Social media** ✓
- Tourism
- Sports Teams
- Recipes

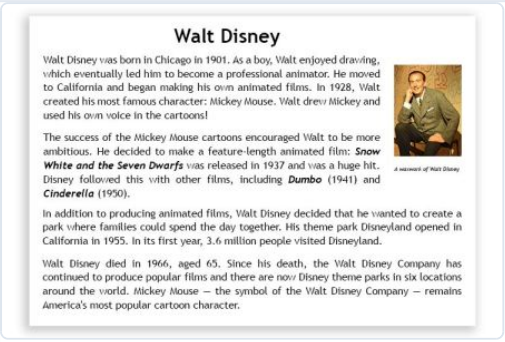
7 I'm not very ... Shakespeare. I prefer modern writers.

- pick up
- **keen on** ✓
- take off
- get up

8 In a computer document, you can move words from one place to another. This is called "cut and ...".

- glue
- stick
- **paste** ✓
- place

9



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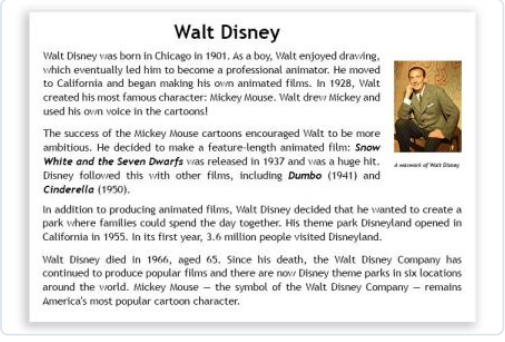
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Walt Disney ... .

- was born in 1966
- **lived in Chicago and California** ✓
- loved playing sport
- wanted to be an actor

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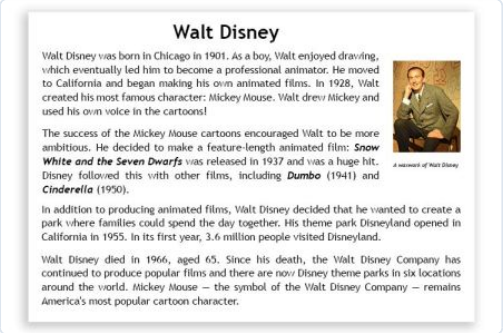
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We know that ...

- **Walt's most well-known character is a small animal** ✓
- the first film Walt Disney made was Cinderella
- "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs" was not a big success
- Walt drew Mickey Mouse and used his son's voice in the cartoons

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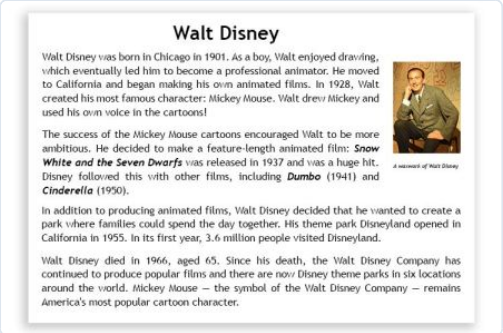
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Find the true sentence.

- The first Disneyland opened after Walt Disney died.
- Walt Disney wanted to make a park for children only.
- 3.6 million people visited Disneyland on its first day.
- **In 1955, Walt Disney started a new business.** ✓

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Find the sentence that is not true.

- Walt Disney was sixty-five when he died.
- You can visit a Disney theme park in six different places.
- **When Walt died, the Walt Disney Company stopped making films.** ✓
- Mickey Mouse is still a popular cartoon character.

13 The teacher says, "Whose bag is this on the floor?" Tim says, "It's ...

- my
- me
- of mine
- **mine** ✓

14 I didn't ... to school yesterday because I was ill.

- **go** ✓
- was
- went
- want

15 "When did you meet your wife?" "It was ten years ... ."

- from
- at the moment
- during
- **ago** ✓

16 Lily normally walks to school but it's raining so she ... the bus today.

- catches
- **is taking** ✓
- doesn't get
- going

17 Sorry, I missed your call. I ... to my boss when you phoned.

- am chatting
- **was talking** ✓
- didn't hear
- speak

18



The woman takes orders and serves food in this restaurant. She is a ... .

- customer
- chef
- writer
- **waitress** ✓

19



The man can't pay for his meal. What is he saying?

- "Excuse me, I forgot to send you a card."
- **"I'm so sorry! I don't have any cash on me."** ✓
- "You need to pay for the food, sir."
- "There's no food left, I'm sorry."

20



The woman looks ... and the man looks ... .

- **annoyed / embarrassed** ✓
- jealous / proud
- angry / pleased
- irritated/ careful

21



Find the group of words that are all connected with money.

- **bank, purse, pay** ✓
- sick, coins, lend
- notes, storm, dollars
- camel, wallet, earn

22 Dublin, St Patrick's Day and leprechauns are all associated with ... .

- Australia
- **Ireland** ✓
- Wales
- Scotland

23 ... was the first president of the USA.

- Benjamin Franklin
- Abraham Lincoln
- **George Washington** ✓
- Thomas Jefferson

24 Canada and the United States of America both celebrate ... .

- Canada Day
- the 4th of July
- Bonfire Night
- **their own Thanksgiving Day** ✓

25 Aboriginal people, Maori, and ... Americans are all First Nations.

- **Native** ✓
- African
- Founding
- Latin

26	It's Monday. You are saying goodbye to your friend. You will see him on Tuesday at school. What can you say?	"It's on Tuesday."
		"See you tomorrow!" ✓
		"Have a great weekend!"
		"You're late!"
27	Anna and her mum are an ice-cream shop. Anna's mum says, "What would you like?" Anna doesn't have any preference. What can she say?	**"I don't mind."** ✓
		"Never mind."
		"I don't remember."
		"You don't care."
28	Bob and his friends are listening to music. Suddenly Bob says, "I can't stand this song!" What does he mean?	He always dances when it plays.
		He really doesn't like the song. ✓
		It's the first time he'd heard it.
		He's a huge fan of the song.
29	Julie calls a client at his office. The receptionist says, "He's not in at the moment." What can Julie say?	"Please leave a message."
		"OK. I'll tell him to call you."
		"Fine, I'll come back later."
		"Could you tell him I called?" ✓
30	On an invitation to a Halloween party is written: "You don't have to dress up but we would love it if you did!" What does this mean?	**The host would like people to wear costumes but it's not necessary.** ✓
		Everyone must come dressed in a costume.
		The host prefers guests to be dressed casually but won't exclude them.
		Badly dressed people won't be allowed to come to the party.
31	It's Ryan's first day in space as an astronaut. His colleague asks him, "How's it going?" "So far, so good," answers Ryan. He means that	it's exciting to travel such a long distance
		the farther they go, the better it feels
		he enjoys pushing himself to his limits
		everything has gone well up to now ✓

32 "Through" rhymes with "...".

- rough
- grow
- though
- **true** ✓

33 "Join" contains the same vowel sound as "...".

- choir
- going
- **royal** ✓
- power

34 "Definition" = o o O o. "Developing" = ...

- O o o o
- **o O o o** ✓
- o o O o
- o o o O

35



Read the itinerary. This tourist ... .

- will spend four days travelling
- will spend a week in the reserve
- is free to plan his/her activities
- **has three days of safari scheduled** ✓

36



The first day will be spent ...

- **in Nairobi, the capital of Kenya** ✓
- in a hotel close to the airport
- driving to the Masai Mara park
- in small village called Nairobi

37



Find the true sentence.

- This tourist is sleeping in a tent within the nature reserve.
- The Masai Mara contains many animals but it isn't well known.
- **The accommodation is comfortable but it is not inside the park.** ✓
- It takes six hours to fly to the Masai Mara Nature Reserve from Nairobi.

38



Find the sentence the is not true.

- There is an option to add a hot-air balloon trip on the final evening.
- **The trip to visit the Maasai village costs $150 extra.** ✓
- On the sixth day, there is an arranged visit to a Maasai village.
- There isn't time to visit Nairobi again on the final day of the trip.

39

"Why are you nervous? ... sung in public ... ?"

- **Haven't you ever ... before** ✓
- Didn't you ... yet
- Have you ... never yet
- You didn't ... before, did you

40

You can't imagine ... when they announced that I was the winner.

- which I was feeling
- the feeling that I have experienced
- **the emotion I felt** ✓
- how I've felt

41

He pretended to have friends because he didn't want ... he was lonely.

- **people to think** ✓
- that people thought
- for everyone thought
- that his parents think

42	The fox walks across their garden every evening, but it ... two days now.	didn't do that during
		hasn't been seen for ✓
		hasn't walked since last
		hasn't been for a walk since
43	"Tap," "mat" and "towel" are all associated with	dances
		yoga classes
		beaches
		bathrooms ✓
44	April 1st (called April ...' Day) is when people play tricks on each other.	**Fools** ✓
		Fishes
		Comics
		Jokes
45	Find the pair of words that contains the same vowel sound. For example: sister/decide.	drawing, extreme
		Arctic, lighter
		eighty, update ✓
		parcel, untrue