

Answer all the questions. Please write clearly in blue or black ink. Marks may be deducted if your handwriting is difficult to read.

Grammar (10 marks)

Choose the correct answer to complete the phrases.

(10 marks)

1. Matt _____ while we were having dinner
A. phoned B. was phoning C. has phoned
2. Sally has been working here _____ .
A. for 6 months B. since 6 months C. 6 months ago
3. _____ tomorrow, so we can go out somewhere.
A. I'm not working B. I don't work C. I won't work
4. 'What time _____ ?' 'At 8.30'
A. begins the film? B. does begin the film? C. does the film begin?
5. Sandra is _____. She works at a large hospital.
A. nurse B. a nurse C. the nurse
6. Patrick is a fast runner. I can't run as fast as _____.
A. he B. him C. her
7. When we were in Italy, we spent a few days _____ Venice.
A. at B. to C. in
8. The bus service is excellent. There is a bus _____ ten minutes.
A. each B. every C. all
9. Why did you stay at a hotel when you were in Paris? You _____ with Julia.
A. can stay B. could stay C. could have stayed
10. It was a boring weekend. _____ anything.
A. I didn't B. I don't do C. I didn't do

English Usage (12 marks)

Read the text below and think of a word which best fits the gap. Use only one word in each gap. There is an example (0) at the beginning.

National Vegetarian Week

Around 5% of British households now have (0) AT least one family member who is vegetarian, (11) _____ means that in the region of 3 million British people are vegetarians. About 25% of all females (12) _____ the ages of 16 and 24 are vegetarian.

Vegetarians do not eat meat, fish or poultry. Among the many reasons (13) _____ being a vegetarian are health, compassion for animals, and religious beliefs.

A vegetarian diet can meet (14) _____ known nutrient needs. The key to a healthy vegetarian diet, as with (15) _____ other diets, is to eat a wide variety of foods, including fruits, vegetables, plenty of leafy greens, whole-grain products, nuts, seeds and legumes. Sweets and fatty foods should (16) _____ limited.

Statistically, if you choose (17) _____ diet, you are choosing an option which should boost your chances of living a long and healthy life. But why? The reason (18) _____ that a good vegetarian diet contains more carbohydrate, more vitamin C and more fibre (19) _____ one where a high proportion of the calories come from meat.

There is documentary evidence of a Vegetarian Day (20) _____ held as early as 1936, but National Vegetarian Week (21) _____ we know it today has its roots in the National Vegetarian Day held by the Vegetarian Society in October 1991. It proved (22) _____ successful that they extended it to a whole week.

Comprehension: (8 marks)

Read the article and then answer the questions that follow:

Man claims he was misled over nutritional content of meals

Adapted from The Guardian

If Caesar Barber dreamed of winning fame, he probably didn't think it would be due to his obesity. However, since the 120kg maintenance worker filed a lawsuit against McDonald's, Wendy's, Kentucky Fried Chicken and Burger King last month - seeking damages for selling him food that made him obese - Barber's 15 minutes of fame are proving as painful as the two heart attacks he has already had.

"Does anyone really believe that Mr Barber was too dumb to know that eating saturated fat was less healthy than having, say, a fruit dish or a chef salad?" said Steve Dasbach, who is the executive director of the Libertarian party. Barber says that he was in the dark about the nutritional content of the fast food he was eating up to five times a week from the 1950s onwards. Incredibly, he didn't give up burgers and salty fries after he had his first heart attack in 1996. He is now a diabetic with high blood pressure.

In his lawsuit - the first of its kind in the United States - he contends that deceptive advertising misled him about the nutritional value of the food, until a doctor pointed it out. "Those people in the advertisements don't tell you what's in the food," he says. "Now I'm obese. The fast-food industry has ruined my life. They said 100% beef. I thought that meant it was good for you."

Attacks on Barber's character and perceived IQ became a sport in the US media. Barber wasn't stupid, columnists and radio hosts joked, just out to make money by failing to take responsibility for his diet. More than 75 million Americans eat fast food every day. But who, the journalists asked, doesn't know that too much will make you overweight?

"Mr Barber honestly didn't know what the dangers were when he started eating fast food in the 50s," says his lawyer, Samuel Hirsch. "The fast-food chains made no effort then, and little today, to inform consumers about the dangerously high fat, cholesterol or salt content of their food." Hirsch says that his client, who has now gone into hiding, is not trying to make money but to get the chains to inform customers that their food is guilty of expanding their waistlines.

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Barber and his lawyer are following hard on the heels of a series of lawsuit wins over some tobacco companies for the addictive nature of nicotine and subsequent diagnosis of cancer. It actually seems that Hirsh believes that there might be similarities between tobacco and fast food products as he claims that both nicotine and fast food products create a craving.

The Physicians Committee for Responsible Medicine applauded the lawsuit. The committee's research coordinator, Brie Turner-McGrivey, says that whether Barber wins or loses, the hype surrounding the case has been good for doctors, spotlighting America's obesity epidemic and the role that fast food plays in it.

One might consider Mr. Barber's case an act of stupidity or an attempt to make some quick money but Caesar Barber definitely takes credit for initiating the discussion about whether obesity is a matter of personal responsibility or if fast food chains are also to blame for failure to inform consumers and fighting obesity has become a one of the priorities of American health organizations.

23. Why is Caesar Barber famous?
 - a. Because he has serious health problems due to eating fast food.
 - b. Because he is a top lawyer.
 - c. Because he sued fast food chains for making him obese.
 - d. Because he has been eating fast food for more than 40 years.

24. What does Caesar Barber say about fast food?
 - a. He started to eat fast food before 1950.
 - b. He didn't know what the content of fast food was.
 - c. He used to eat fast food five days a week.
 - d. In the 50s fast food wasn't fattening.

25. After the first heart attack, Caesar Barber
 - a. started to eat even more fast food.
 - b. became very ill.
 - c. stopped eating all fast food except for burgers and fries.
 - d. carried on eating fast food.

26. How did the American media react to this lawsuit?
 - a. The media made fun of Caesar Barber.
 - b. Barber was offered to host his own radio show.
 - c. Some media started a sports campaign against eating hamburgers.
 - d. The media suggested that Caesar Barber should go on a diet.

27. Caesar Barber's lawyer argues that
 - a. Caesar Barber is in hiding because he is worried about his life.
 - b. Caesar Barber is trying to force fast food chains to better inform their customers.
 - c. fast food chains are expanding too quickly.

