B1-1 Megoldókulcs

Part 3 – Listening comprehension

Task 1: Questions 1-7   *1,5 points for each correct sentence*

1. Fun puzzle apps are useful to have ***on your phone***.

2. Puzzle apps can ***improve*** your mental skills.

3. Only start playing these fun apps if you have **time** *for* fun.

4. 1010! puzzle game is similar to Tetris without the ***time pressure.***

5. Players earn points when they ***clear*** rows and columns.

6. Monkey Wrench is a ***word search game.***

7. When you have found all of the words, you have ***solved the puzzle.***

Task 2: Questions 8-12   *1,5 points for each correct answer.*

8. A   9. B   10.B   11. A   12.B

Task 3: Questions 13-20   *1,5 points for each correct answer.*

13 B/H, 14H/B, 15F/C, 16C/F, 17A/E, 18E/A, 19G/J, 20 J/G

Transcripts

Task 1

Fun puzzle apps are handy to have **on your phone**. Keep them ready when you need to clear your mind. Maybe you are stuck in the office on a Friday afternoon, or trapped in a car on a long road trip, or waiting on a flight that is delayed. Puzzle apps can help make that time more enjoyable.

The apps can also help avoid the oft-repeated question, "Are we there yet?" from your young travellers.

But puzzle apps can do more than entertain you. They can also **improve** your mental skills, to help keep you sharp. While you are having fun, your brain can be solving problems, learning new English words and more.

Warning: These games may be addictive! Only start playing them if you have **time for** fun.

1010!
If you are a fan of the classic video game Tetris, you will enjoy 1010! This puzzle game is a lot like Tetris but without the **time pressure**.

1010! shows a game board of 10 spaces across and 10 spaces down.

In each part of the game, you get three shapes to place on the board. The shapes are similar to the Tetris shapes and are made from squares. You must place them on the boards in the free spaces.

Like Tetris, in 1010! a row or column is cleared if it is filled with squares.

Players earn points when they **clear** rows and columns. Clearing the board is also important to have enough open spaces to place the shapes.

As with Tetris, you cannot really "win" at 1010! The game is over once your board is too full to fit another shape. But the higher you score the better. And you can always try to beat your best score.

You can find tips and tricks to master 1010! on the app's website under "Tips, Tricks and Such."

Monkey Wrench

Monkey Wrench is a **word search game** with a twist: you have to clear the board by finding words.

Each puzzle has categories of words you must find. The categories may be from history, sports, pop culture, music, food, people and more. Instead of letters being in a square, letters in Monkey Wrench are in hexagons. The first letter of each word is darkened.

Swipe your finger along the letters when you find the word. The word will be cleared from the puzzle. When you clear all of the words you have **solved the puzzle**.

Task 2

Camping in America's National and State Parks

Millions of people in the United States like to spend their holidays enjoying nature. They carry everything they will need with them. Today we tell about this popular activity called backpacking. We are high in the Blue Ridge Mountains in the state of North Carolina. It is very early in the morning. We have been walking in the mountains for almost one week. Each night we sleep in a small cloth shelter called a tent. We carry the tent, sleeping bags, clothes, food and water with us in our backpacks.

The air this morning is fresh and clear. It smells like green trees and wild flowers. Our surroundings are dark green. We have been deep in the forest for many kilometers. Little light reaches here. It is so thick with trees we cannot see the sky.

At last we come to a clear area. When we look across to other mountains it is easy to see why they were named the Blue Ridge Mountains. The early morning air in the distance looks like thick smoke. It makes the color of the mountains a deep ocean blue. This color is caused by the amount of water in the air. Then the mountains will slowly turn dark green.

We have stopped to eat a late morning meal. A friend has begun to cook our food over a small fire. The smell of fresh coffee soon mixes with the smell of burning wood. The clear mountain air and our long walk this morning have made us extremely hungry.

We eat a meal of eggs, fruit and bread and drink some very good coffee. We carefully clean the area when we are done. When we leave, there is nothing to show that we have been there. We try very hard to leave the area as we found it -- the way nature made it.

Task 3

Expectations and fears when talking about self-driving cars

Peter (Presenter)

Hello everybody. My name is Peter. Today we are talking about the pros and cons of self-driving cars. We have to admit that drivers are at fault for most accidents. The reality is that there are so many factors at play when a driver gets behind the wheel and a safe road experience relies on a driver that is 100 percent focused on the road.

My partners today share their opinions on the newest developments and directions of self-driving cars.

I would like to ask you to introduce yourself in a sentence and tell us about your expectations and fears if you have any. Bob, would you start?

Bob

I'm a chemist, a senior researcher living in Ventura and working in Carpentaria, California. I commute every day. Once I heard Chris Urmson saying that the company's vehicles are better all around: "They are more courteous and more defensive drivers than normal drivers." Computers use complicated algorithms to determine appropriate stopping distance, distance from another vehicle and other data that decreases the chances of car accidents dramatically.

Peter

Thank you, Bob. Jessica, how long have you been driving? What do you expect from self-driving cars?

Jessica

I'm a second year student at UCLA, reading law. I lose a lot of time driving which leaves me with less time for my studies and leisure. I think these cars will save us time. When a computer takes over the driving responsibilities, drivers can use that time to do other things, like catch up on reading or chat with passengers, all without having to worry too much about road safety. I've read that these cars will communicate with one another, helping to identify traffic problems or road risks early on for example avoiding traffic jams.

Peter

Thank you, Jessica. Daniel do you have the same optimistic view?

Daniel

Unfortunately, not. I do market research. While the computer takes over, once the vehicle is operational, the driver would still be required to have some knowledge about how to operate it safely. The other thing is that these cars will be very expensive; we should not forget that people should buy not only the car but the computer, the software and sensors. Not many people will be able to afford a car like that.

Peter

OK. I see your point. Any other opinions? Yes, Kim?

Kim

I'm a teacher of geography and I'm also a PE teacher. I often take my classes for field trips. Our buses are noisy and always busy inside. So I can tell, that the numerous human factors like speeding, being distracted by happenings inside the car or outside, failing to follow road laws, or driving while tired, drunk, or under the influence of drugs can all be extremely dangerous.

Adding just one of these factors to the mix dramatically increases the chances that an accident will happen. While all of these factors are unlikely to be controlled every time a driver turns the ignition key, the same is not necessarily true for self-driving cars.

Peter

Thank you, Kim. I think many of us share your opinion. Thank you everybody for coming and sharing your views.