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Total: /100

Main Words

- 1. advocate to speak or act in favor of.
- 2. environmental of or having to do with the surroundings of something, especially the natural surroundings.
- 3. bulldoze to move (earth) or clear out (land) using a bulldozer.
- 4. abandon to stop pursuing; give up.
- 5. financially having to do with money.
- 6. feasible capable of being done, carried out, or brought about; likely to succeed.
- 7. destroy to damage something so that it cannot be fixed.
- 8. replace to put something in the place of another thing
- 9. incident something that happens; a single event.
- 10. spark (informal) to set in motion; stir up.

The script must be played at least three times.   

Last year, my friend Angela Dobbs and I started a club called Believe in Trees. The motto of our group is "Save Nature" and all our members are advocates for environmental conservation. Let me tell you the story behind our club's founding.

 (Listen Carefully : _____


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All the trees, plants and grass were bulldozed by a local developing company called Lester Builders.

 (Listen Carefully : _____


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In other words, the company was worried that they would lose money on the project.

 (Listen Carefully : _____


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That was when Angela Dobbs and I decided to take action. We rallied a few friends and took our concerns to the town hall. We formed a club called "Believe in Trees" and collected names on a petition.

 (Listen Carefully : _____

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It took almost six months but the mayor was able to convince Lester Builders to repair the damage it had caused.

 (Listen Carefully : _____

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Those two members were, of course, Angela and myself. Now, we have over 500 members and are involved in almost 100 environmental conservation projects throughout the town.



Listen again and answer the questions below.

1. What did my friend Angela Dobbs and I start last year?
 - A. A government
 - B. A school
 - C. A business
 - D. A club

2. The motto of the club is "Save Nature"
 - A. True
 - B. False

3. What are our members advocates of?
 - A. Protecting chickens
 - B. Gender equality
 - C. Environmental conservation
 - D. Free candy

4. What did the builders intend to build?
 - A. A swimming pool
 - B. A mini mall
 - C. A train station
 - D. A restaurant

5. The local developing company planted many trees.
 - A. True
 - B. False

6. The company was worried that they would lose _____ on the project.
 - A. Fizzy drinks
 - B. Workers
 - C. Money
 - D. Mini mall

7. What did the two friends collect from people to give to the Mayor?
 - A. Cheeseburgers
 - B. Ceramic mugs
 - C. Milk bottles
 - D. Signatures

8. How long did it take the Mayor to convince the company to repair the damage?
 - A. 4 days
 - B. 6 months
 - C. 10 years
 - D. 12 years

9. How many members did the club have at the start?
 - A. Two
 - B. Three
 - C. Four
 - D. Five

10. The club now has over 500 members.
 - A. True
 - B. False

**Listening Exercise 2** Listen to the story, then fill in the blanks.

Listening Exercise 1

But unfortunately, history () () numerous counter examples.

Listening Exercise 2.

Many factories neither () an economical success nor () the environment intact.

Listening Exercise 3

So I () this declaration.

Listening Exercise 4

To sum up I () the disadvantages weigh much () than the possible advantages.

Listening Exercise 5

Therefore I () () the establishment of a large factory near my community.

Listening Exercise 6

What () you () about your hometown?

Listening Exercise 7

It () () air pollution problem.

Listening Exercise 8

I () () the following reasons to explain why I () to solve this problem.

Listening Exercise 9

The first and most important reason is that I () that my hometown () () a beautiful city.

Listening Exercise 10

My hometown () () () a great deal of contribution for the country's economic development.

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Main Words

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| 1. clear | easy to understand. |
| 2. pity | sympathy or sorrow caused by another's pain, bad luck, or suffering. |
| 3. discuss | to talk together about something. |
| 4. join | to become a member of something. |
| 5. method | a regular or proven way of doing something. |
| 6. electronic | using or having to do with a system that uses electricity. |
| 7. definition | a statement of the meaning of a word or phrase. |
| 8. demonstrate | to take part in a public activity to show that you are for or against something. |
| 9. certainly | without doubt or question. |
| 10. flip | to throw in such a way as to cause to turn over or spin. |


The script must be played at least three times. 

When we read books, we often find that the meanings of some words are not clear. It is a pity!

 (Listen Carefully : _____

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My name is Michael and I'm a student at Albert Street Middle School. I and three other students just joined a book club that was formed by Miss Eleanor McGovern, the school librarian.

 (Listen Carefully : _____

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Sandra Dawson responded right away, "I think you should because if you don't understand the word, you may also have difficulty understanding the story."

"But that slows down your reading," said Antonio Sanchez.

 (Listen Carefully : _____


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Then, Cherie Weeks spoke up, "I have an electronic dictionary which is quite fast. All I have to do is type in the first few letters of any word and the word and definition pop up on the screen right away.

 (Listen Carefully : _____

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"That is certainly much faster than flipping pages in a dictionary," said Antoino.

 (Listen Carefully : _____

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Listen again and answer the questions below.

1. We often find that meanings of words are not clear when reading what?
 - A. Cartoon
 - B. Newspaper
 - C. Books
 - D. Maps
2. What type of club am I in?
 - A. Cooking club
 - B. Shooting club
 - C. Swimming club
 - D. Book club
3. What is my name?
 - A. Albert
 - B. Michael
 - C. Eleanor
 - D. McGovern
4. Who formed the book club?
 - A. Michael's parents
 - B. Sandra Dawson
 - C. Michael and his friends
 - D. School librarian
5. What do people use to look up words they don't understand?
 - A. Science book
 - B. Sausage
 - C. Dictionary
 - D. Mobile phone
6. Who thinks it's better to look up words after you've finished reading?
 - A. Antonio Sanchez
 - B. Miss McGovern
 - C. Sandra's parents
 - D. The dictionary
7. Sandra is the first to respond to Miss McGovern's question.
 - A. True
 - B. False
8. What does Cherie Weeks have which helps her look up words fast?
 - A. Birds
 - B. Clever siblings
 - C. Parents
 - D. Electronic dictionary
9. Using the electronic dictionary is much faster than flipping pages.
 - A. True
 - B. False
10. "All of those _____ are good," said Miss McGovern.
 - A. presentations
 - B. cheese
 - C. cakes
 - D. methods


Listening Exercise 2 Listen to the story, then fill in the blanks.

Listening Exercise 1

As a result, the natural environment of the city () () badly ().

Listening Exercise 2.

The forest () (). The mountains () () bald.

Listening Exercise 3

And the most awful thing is that the quality of the air () more and more ().

Listening Exercise 4

People seldom () the () blue sky during most time of year.

Listening Exercise 5

Another reason why I () () () my hometown's air pollution situation is that.

Listening Exercise 6

The city's development () clean and tidy environment to () investors.

Listening Exercise 7

Nowadays, people () () () () that the city's environment.

Listening Exercise 8

Which () so () "software facility of the city", () an important role in the city's future.

Listening Exercise 9

For example, () () the fact that the environment of the city is very ().

Listening Exercise 10

Many local students who () their study out of the city () rather () themselves a job in other cities.