

## READING COMPREHENSION

### 1. Let Them Eat Organic

#### Task 1

What is the critics' main argument against organic farming?	<b>1. not economical (lower yields)</b>
How was the Swiss research carried out?	<b>2. monitored organic and conventional methods for 21 years</b>
What findings of the research showed that organic farming is more economical?	<b>3. needs fewer nutrients 4. fewer pesticides 5. less energy 6. better water intake</b>
What environmental benefits did the change to organic farming bring in the Indian cooperative?	<b>7. increasing the diversity of predators 8. stopping soil erosion / buliding up top soil</b>
How did yields change in the Indian project after using organic methods?	<b>9. yields dropped in the first three years 10. they stabilized 11. they started going up</b>

#### Task 2

12. The yield of the organic farm monitored in the Swiss research was higher than expected.	<b>T</b>
13. The Swiss study shows that it is possible to get higher yields without causing environmental problems.	<b>T</b>
14. In the Indian cooperative farmers could harvest more because they increased the land for cultivation.	<b>F</b>
15. Rajeev Baruah thinks organic farming is a luxury for Third World countries.	<b>F</b>

## 2. Under the Hole in the Sky

### Task 1

<b>A. Training for the locals</b>
<b>B. A car park attendant's observations</b>
<b>C. The responsibility of the developed world</b>
<b>D. The establishment of a warning system</b>
<b>E. Chile's special geographical situation</b>
<b>F. The health impacts of the ozone hole</b>
<b>G. Consumption of CFCs in Chile</b>

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B	E	F	D	A	C

### Task 2

What harmful health effect of the radiation can be seen today in Chile?	<b>6. skin cancer has risen 66%</b>
What measures has the health department taken to make residents better-informed?	<b>7. solar stoplights</b> <b>8. education programs</b>
How does the population react to the advice issued by the authorities?	<b>9. most of them ignore it</b>
What should the developed countries do to help Chile and countries in a similar position?	<b>10. provide money for monitoring and research</b>

## LISTENING COMPREHENSION

### Text 1

1F 2T 3T 4T 5F 6T 7F

### Text 2

1.wholesale, 2. immigrants, 3. 13%, 4. supermarkets / cash-and-carry operators, 5. little space, 6. flower market, 7. vegetable market, 8. oxtail/ tripe/ beef/ goat meat, 9. whole pigs, 10. African, 11. (Nigerian) soup dishes, 12. cheaper /friendlier, 13. salt fish / (gunga) peas

### Sample table description

The source of the table is a website.

The first **column** lists the names of the BRICS countries. The other columns show the main dairy products, such as liquid milk, butter and cheese.

The amount of consumption is **expressed** in kg/inhabitant. If we **compare** the consumption figures of these products, we can see that the liquid milk consumption is **significantly higher** in each country. The consumption of butter and cheese is low in each country, **except for** Russia, where they consume **more** cheese than in the other countries, namely 6.6 kg per inhabitant.

**While** Brazil is the leader in liquid milk consumption with 59.9 kg/inhabitant, its butter and cheese consumption is lower compared to the other countries.

The amount of butter consumption is **the same as** cheese consumption in China.

The consumption of liquid milk is the second highest in India, but – according to this table - cheese is not consumed at all in this country.

### Sample letter

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Dear Sir or Madam,

I am writing to complain about the delivery service you provided to our laboratory.

On 20 February 2017 we placed an order with your company for 200 test tubes for our next research project. You offered delivery within a week. However, the items arrived in ten days', which caused us delays in our experiments.

Furthermore, we realized that twenty test tubes were broken during the delivery, although you promised safe shipping of these fragile items.

Finally, after checking the invoice we found that we were overcharged. You had offered a 10% discount on ordering over 100 test tubes previously, but you charged the full price for the delivery.

These errors put our laboratory in a difficult position. Therefore we request you to replace the broken items as soon as possible. In addition, please let us know what compensation you can offer in this situation.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Yours faithfully,

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Head of Erdei Laboratories