

READING COMPREHENSION

1. Cost of gaining a degree...

Task 1

	14	(0.) <i>students' average number of hours' work/week</i>
(1.)	£13.17	students' current spending /week on cigarettes
(2.)	£3,000	maximum amount of growth of the tuition fee this year
	£33,512	(3.) cost of a 3-year degree course
	17	(4.) expected percent growth of university costs in 2005
(5.)	2/3	proportion of parents financing their children's studies
	£14,779	(6.) expected debt on graduation in 2009
	£5,000	(7.) rise of total cost of gaining a degree this year
(8.)	87	% of students expect to take up part-time jobs
(9.)	£17.97	expected saving on weekly costs
(10.)	8	% of students getting money from relatives before each semester

Task 2

11. The majority of students are optimistic about their future careers.	T
12. Students have started to think more realistically about costs of studying.	T
13. The only exception where they did not want to cut costs was cigarettes.	F
14. Students usually combine money from their parents with part-time earnings.	T
15. 79% of students worry about the increasing costs of their university studies.	T

2. Short news on alternative energy

Which article is about an event?	1,2,3
Which article involves a research institute?	1,3
Which article names several alternative energy sources?	2
Which article is about creating alternative energy from gases?	1
Which article describes the technology of making a liquid energy source?	3
Which article mentions the sum to be spent on environmental research?	2,3
Which article describes co-operation between various organisations?	1,3
Which article compares the production of two kinds of alternative energy source?	3
Which article mentions a problem or problems to be solved?	2,3

LISTENING COMPREHENSION**Text 1**

1.T, 2.T, 3.F, 4.F, 5.T.

Text 2

1. part-time (or) /full time
2. artist (producing hand.made goods)
- 3 customer (who is interested)
4. e.g. knitting, crochet, painting, sculpting
5. e.g. woodwork, iron work, glass work or anything original
6. what you are good at / passionate about
- 7,8. cost of material, + time
9. unused /neglected
10. 173, 000

Sample table description

1. **In the rows we can see the various** export-oriented sectors in India, such as oil refining and marketing or pharmaceuticals.
2. **In the first column the values of the exports** are given in million rupees.
3. **The second column** shows the year-on-year change in percent.
4. **The third column** represents the export contribution to sector's revenue.
5. **The biggest value of exports** can be seen in oil refining and marketing, namely 1,258,432 million rupees.
6. **The second largest export share is due to** the revenues of software and IT sector.
7. **The gems and jewellery sector accounts for** 68.7% of export contribution.
8. **The pharmaceutical sector also has** a large export contribution with 43%.
9. **The following four categories reach** more than 100,000 million rupees in export revenue.
10. **Companies belonging to the final two categories** operate in the power equipment and the textiles sectors.

Sample letter

Devon Restaurant
2 Rose Street
Broadstone
SW 5LE9
England

Celetron System
15 Tulip Street
London
SW3 NE2

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Dear Sir or Madam,

I am writing to complain about the service we received in your restaurant last week. Our company organized a team-building training session for a group of 20 colleagues, which also included lunch in your restaurant on 15 November.

First of all, we have to mention your slow service, which caused us problems, since we could join the afternoon session of the training later.

Secondly, we were also dissatisfied with the waiters' attitude. They were rude, impatient and not helpful at all when we complained about the cold dishes they served.

Finally, when we settled the bill, we realized that you charged higher prices compared to the ones listed in the menu. Your staff could not deal with this problem, either.

Since all these problems caused us considerable inconveniences, we would appreciate if you could look into this matter and could offer some kind of compensation.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Yours faithfully,

Bella Budai
HR assistant