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Task 1. Reading

Read the text and answer the questions.

Derek Bentley was sentenced to death and was subsequently hanged on 28 January 1953. He was 19 years old and had been found guilty of murder. However, many thought that his trial was a great legal tragedy and it served to help end the use of the death penalty in Britain a few years later.

So, why was he hanged?

It all began on a Sunday in November 1952 when Bentley attempted to carry out a burglary with his friend Christopher Craig. Whose idea the burglary was isn't known for sure, although the personalities of the two men do suggest who might have been the leader. Craig was loud and had a high opinion of himself, whereas Bentley, in contrast, was quiet and reserved, and very much impressed by his younger friend's confidence. Both were armed with knives, but Craig also had a revolver concealed in his jacket, something that Bentley almost certainly knew about. Bentley himself also carried a knuckleduster, a small metal weapon that could seriously hurt someone in a fight.

The two were on the roof of a building when the police spotted them. They had earlier been seen breaking into the building by a young girl whose mother had called the police, and now they were trapped. Two policemen chased them, and soon caught Bentley, but Craig decided to try and get away. He fired his gun, hitting a policeman in the shoulder. It was then that Bentley shouted to Craig, 'Let him have it!', words that would become famous as a key piece of evidence in the trial. Moments later, more police arrived and started to chase Craig up some stairs. He turned and fired, killing a policeman before jumping from the roof and breaking his back. He was then arrested.

Both Bentley and Craig were charged with murder, and both, at their trial, told the court that they were innocent. This was a mistake. There was so much evidence to prove that Craig had committed the crime that it would have been better for him to plead guilty. Unsurprisingly, it

took the jury little more than an hour to find both men guilty, and Bentley was sentenced to death by hanging. Craig, however, was only 16, and avoided the same punishment.

The trial, and particularly Bentley's sentence, shocked many people. In part, this was because of the prosecution lawyers' arguments. Central to their case against Bentley was that he and Craig were equally responsible for the murder. The prosecution was able to prove to the jury that by planning a burglary, carrying a weapon, although not the murder weapon, and shouting 'let him have it' to Craig, Bentley was as much a murderer as his younger friend. However, the court didn't consider it important that Bentley had a mental age of 11, that the phrase 'let him have it' could mean 'shoot him' but could also mean 'give him the gun', and the fact that, unlike Craig, Bentley was restrained, though not arrested, by another policeman at the time of the murder.

Forty-five years after the trial, following years of arguing, campaigning and protests by Bentley's father and sister, the Court of Appeal finally ruled, admitting that the original sentence and verdict were mistaken. Sadly, neither his father nor his sister lived long enough to see Bentley's name cleared.

Example: Derek Bentley was hanged for _____.

A murder B burglary C arson

- 1 According to the text, the burglary was probably the idea of _____.
A Craig B Bentley C Bentley and Craig
- 2 Craig's character could be described as _____.
A arrogant B easy-going C sensitive
- 3 Bentley was armed with _____.
A a gun and a knife B a knife and a knuckleduster
C a gun and a knuckleduster
- 4 Bentley and Craig were reported to the police by _____.
A a passing policeman B a mother C a young child
- 5 Before jumping off the roof, Craig _____.
A fired at two policemen B was chased by two policemen
C killed two policemen
- 6 Unlike Craig, Bentley _____.
A said that he was guilty B was given the death penalty
C knew there was a lot of evidence against him
- 7 At the trial, _____.
A only Craig was charged with murder
B there was too much evidence to listen to
C it didn't take the jury long to reach their verdict
- 8 Part of the prosecution's argument that both Bentley and Craig were guilty of murder was _____.
A that Bentley told Craig to kill the policeman B that Bentley carried a gun
C that they were close friends

- 9 The writer feels that an argument in favour of Bentley's innocence was that _____.
- A he was under arrest at the time
 B he obviously wanted Craig to give the policeman the gun
 C what Bentley shouted could be understood in more than one way
- 10 The Court of Appeal changed the original verdict as a result of _____.
- A a long fight by Bentley's family B a change of mind by the trial judge
 C a change in the legal system

(0.4 points is earned for each correct answer/ total 5 points) ____/4

Task 2. Vocabulary

Complete the sentences with the correct prepositions

1. He took a pen and edited the text by crossing ... all the extra words.
2. She arrived at about four o'clock but her friend did not turn until half past six.
3. He asked her to marry me but she turned him
4. They have broken They were together for a long time.
5. Burglars broke the house last week.
6. Her car is not reliable; it keeps breaking
7. He is clever, sharp, and creative. He is always coming with new innovative ideas.
8. Ann pointed a few important things to us that we had ignored.

(0.25 points is earned for each correct answer/ total 4 points) ____/2

Task 3.

Describe the nouns using compound adjectives

0. A walk that takes ten minutes a ten-minute walk

1. Cookies that are free of fat
2. A boy who is five years old
3. A report that is thirty pages long
4. Students in high spirits
5. Children who behave well
6. a monster with green eyes
7. A man who has short hair
8. A lady with a kind heart

(0.25 points is earned for each correct answer/ total 4 points) ____/2

Task 4.

Grammar

INFINITIVE AND -ING FORMS. Complete the paragraph with the verbs given in the correct form.

When you leave school, it can be difficult (0) *to decide (decide)* what to do next. If you are not sure, you could think about (1) (have) a year off. Many young people work abroad before (2)

..... (start) university, and these days it is quite easy (3) (get) a job.
 Although you may not be paid much, one advantage of (4) (work) in another country is
 that you can really see how people live. If you don't think it's safe (5) (travel) alone, you
 can always ask a friend to go with you. Whatever you do, don't make any decisions without (6)
 (think) very carefully.

(0.5 points is earned for each correct answer/ total 3 points) ____/3

Task 5. Match the proverbs with their explanations / paraphrased statements.

1. Do not count chickens before they are hatched.	a. Do not judge people by their appearance.
2. Do not put all your eggs in one basket.	b. Never refuse good fortune when it is there in front of you.
3. Never judge a book by its cover.	c. Do not anticipate the future too much.
4. Never look a gift horse in the mouth.	d. Family is important.
5. Blood is thicker than water.	e. Do not invest all efforts in one thing.

(1 point is earned for each correct answer/ total 5 points) ____/5

Task 6 Writing.

Continue the statement with your own ideas. Write at least 70 words.

If I could do one good thing for my country I would -----

(4 points: 1 point for grammar, 1 point for vocabulary, 2 points for coherence) ____/4

TOTAL: ____/20