

## Preliminary (PET) Reading Part 6 – Auxiliary Verbs

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Write **one** word for each gap.

### Show Jumping

A lot of people love riding horses. 1 ..... you ever ridden one? It can be really fun to spend a sunny morning riding your horse in the countryside. Some people 2 ..... not like riding, but enjoy watching equestrian sports like show jumping.

Now, show jumping is a popular sport which is in the Olympics, but it 3 ..... not exist until the 18<sup>th</sup> century. Before, people 4 ..... never thought that jumping horses was necessary, but in the 18<sup>th</sup> century people started building fences around their land. Horse riders had to learn how to jump over these new obstacles.

The sports is played by riding around an obstacle course with fences made of coloured poles. If a rider hits a pole while they 5 ..... competing, they are given a penalty. However, the sport of show jumping 6 ..... changed its rules over the years and now riders can be given time penalties too.



## Preliminary (PET) Reading Part 6 – Articles

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### *The Mona Lisa*

If you visit the Louvre museum in Paris, you will probably see the *Mona Lisa*, the famous painting by Leonardo da Vinci. It is 1 ..... most visited painting in the museum, often with crowds of tourists all looking at it and taking pictures.

The *Mona Lisa* was painted in 2 ..... 16<sup>th</sup> century during the Italian Renaissance. In Italian it is called *La Gioconda*. Experts believe it is 3 ..... portrait of an Italian noblewoman, but nobody is completely sure who 4 ..... woman in the painting is. The painting is famous because of the woman's mysterious expression.

In 1911, the *Mona Lisa* was stolen and later returned, which brought it a lot of attention. This attention caused it to become 5 ..... icon of popular culture. In 1962, the French government lent the painting to 6 ..... United States for a year, where it was displayed in New York and seen by 1.7 million people.



## Preliminary (PET) Reading Part 6 – Quantifiers

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### Yosemite National Park

Yosemite National Park is a famous attraction in California, USA. The protected national area is known for its huge stone cliffs. There are also 1 ..... waterfalls. In 2 ..... parts of Yosemite, you can see giant sequoia trees, which can live for thousands of years.

Millions of people visit Yosemite every year. There aren't 3 ..... towns or cities inside the park, so sometimes people have to drive a long way to get there. There are only a 4 ..... hotels in the park, so many visitors stay in campsites. During their stay, there are a 5 ..... of things to do in the park. You can go hiking in the forests, visit the museums or enjoy a picnic in the fields.

If you want to visit Yosemite, the best time to go is in spring or summer. In the spring, the waterfalls fill with water, but by autumn, there isn't 6 ..... water left, so the waterfalls dry up. It snows almost every year in the park, so winter can be dangerous and the park is closed to visitors.



## Preliminary (PET) Reading Part 6 – Relative Pronouns

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### Bees

Did you know that bees are one of the most important species on the planet? Some people don't like bees because they can sting you, but they only sting 1 ..... they are scared. Bees live on every continent on Earth except for Antarctica, 2 ..... there aren't any flowering plants.

The reason 3 ..... bees are important is because they help pollenate plants. Bees eat pollen from plants 4 ..... have flowers then they spread that pollen to other plants. This helps the plants produce food like fruit and vegetables. The bees fly home to their hive with the pollen and use it to make honey. The people 5 ..... care for the bees and collect the honey are called beekeepers.

The increase in global temperatures, 6 ..... scientists believe is caused by climate change, has put bees in danger. For example, a quarter of British bee species have disappeared in the last 40 years. So do you part and help save the bees!



## Preliminary (PET) Reading Part 6 – Dependent Prepositions

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### Ginger

Ginger is a plant that is used in cooking as a spice and it is sometimes used as a medicine. It is different 1 ..... other spices because we use the root of the plant. Ginger was one of the first spices to travel from Asia to Europe because the Greeks and Romans were keen 2 ..... it.

If you are thinking 3 ..... preparing Asian food, you'll need ginger. Indian food uses it as a main ingredient. It is common in curries, but people are also fond 4 ..... it in drinks like tea. It is also used in other countries like China, Japan, Vietnam and Indonesia. In the Caribbean, they make cake with ginger!

Traditional medicine often used ginger because people believed 5 ..... it as a cure for colds, headaches and nausea. However, modern medicine says it is only a possibility that ginger can help 6 ..... stomach problems.



## ANSWER KEY

## Auxiliary Verbs

1. Have
2. do
3. did
4. had
5. are
6. has

## Articles

1. the
2. the
3. a
4. the
5. an
6. the

## Quantifiers

1. many / several
2. some
3. any
4. few
5. lot
6. much

## Relative Pronouns

1. when
2. where
3. why
4. that / which
5. who
6. which

## Dependent Prepositions

1. from
2. on
3. about
4. of
5. in
6. with