Dependent Prepositions | Verbs – Open Cloze

A. Discuss the questions with a partner.

1. Do you consider yourself a risk-taker?
2. Have you ever done an extreme sport? Would you like to?
3. Look at the extreme sports below. Which ones are most/least dangerous? Why?

skydiving	snowboarding	rock climbing	bungee jumping
whitewater rafting	surfing	mountain biking	cave diving

B. For questions 1-10, read the text below and think of the word which best fits each gap. Use only one word in each gap.

Cave diving is an exhilarating adventure that demands absolute focus and skill. It requires a unique set of qualities and a deep understanding of the environment. As a cave diver, you must depend (1) _____ your training at all times, as the slightest mistake can have serious consequences.

First and foremost, you have to believe (2) _____ yourself and your abilities. Trusting your training and experience is crucial when going into the unknown depths of underwater caves. It's important to think (3) _____ the potential risks and plan well to ensure a safe and enjoyable dive.

When exploring these mysterious caverns, you must take care (4) _____ your equipment and team members. Your life may rely (5) _____ their support in case of any unpredictable circumstances. Therefore, it's vital to carefully select your partners. While underwater, it's essential to trust your instincts and focus (6) _____ the task at hand. The underwater world is exciting, but distractions can be dangerous.

Clear communication is essential during cave diving. You should talk (7) _____ everything with your buddies before the dive, discussing the dive plan and potential dangers. Protocol must be followed to avoid accidents. Failure to follow the rules can result (8) _____ severe consequences.

If you're passionate about cave diving, you may apply (9) _____ specialised courses and certifications to enhance your skills. These qualifications will lead (10) _____ more diving opportunities and improve your overall diving experience.

Remember, cave diving can be great for personal growth. However, it's crucial to always prioritise your own safety and that of others while exploring the hidden wonders of underwater caves.

C. Write a short text about another extreme sport. For every dependent preposition, leave a gap. Then exchange with a partner and test their knowledge.

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ANSWER KEY

A.

Answers will vary. This is one possible opinion, not a factual risk ranking. Risk depends on conditions, training and precautions.

1. Cave diving
2. Skydiving
3. Whitewater rafting
4. Rock climbing
5. Bungee jumping
6. Snowboarding
7. Surfing
8. Mountain biking

B.

1. on / upon
2. in
3. about / of
4. of
5. on / upon
6. on
7. about / through / over
8. in
9. for
10. to

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