

"Australia hotel bans emus for bad behaviour"

LANGUAGE - CLOZE

Two emus have been banned from (1) _____ a hotel in Australia's Outback. The emu is the world's second-largest living bird by height and is (2) _____ to Australia. The two banned emus are siblings (brother and sister). The four-room Yaraka Hotel in the state of Queensland (3) _____ the giant birds because of bad behaviour. The birds are called Kevin and Carol. They were well (4) _____ at the hotel for popping in for a few biscuits or a slice of toast. However, recently, the two birds have become a (5) _____ to the guests staying at the hotel. Co-owner Chris Gimblett has put rope across the stairs (6) _____ up to the hotel to keep the birds out. There is also a sign for guests saying: "Please let yourself through the emu barrier."

One of the (7) _____ for the emu ban is that the birds have learned to climb the stairs. They have been wandering up to the hotel's bedrooms and (8) _____ guests in the corridor. Mr Gimblett said: "Travellers have to be very cautious (9) _____ the emus because they will poke their heads in...and drink all the coffee...and steal your toast. And if you have a barbecue, watch out because they'll take everything." He added: "You don't want to get between an emu and its food. They've got very sharp (10) _____ and they're a bit like a vacuum cleaner where food is concerned." He warned: "Because they do eat so much food, their (11) _____ habits are very frequent.... imagine a sloppy bowl of porridge from a (12) _____ of a metre."

Put the correct words from the table below in the above article.

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|-----|-----------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| 1. | (a) enter | (b) entrance | (c) entering | (d) entrances |
| 2. | (a) native | (b) naive | (c) nativity | (d) naively |
| 3. | (a) barred | (b) jarred | (c) marred | (d) tarred |
| 4. | (a) known | (b) knowing | (c) knew | (d) knows |
| 5. | (a) swelling | (b) contagion | (c) creature | (d) nuisance |
| 6. | (a) heightening | (b) ascending | (c) scaling | (d) leading |
| 7. | (a) reasons | (b) reasoned | (c) reasoning | (d) reason |
| 8. | (a) shacking | (b) shackling | (c) shaking | (d) shocking |
| 9. | (a) with | (b) by | (c) of | (d) as |
| 10. | (a) eyes | (b) beaks | (c) tongue | (d) hearts |
| 11. | (a) toiletries | (b) toiletry | (c) toileted | (d) toilets |
| 12. | (a) height | (b) high | (c) heighten | (d) higher |

"Three charged in high-profile Twitter hack"

GAP FILL

Three people have been (1) _____ for their alleged involvement in the massive hacking attack on Twitter that took place on July the 15th. Hackers hacked into 130 high-(2) _____ accounts, including those of (3) _____ US President Barack Obama, presidential candidate Joe Biden, rapper Kanye West, Amazon CEO Jeff Bezos and SpaceX and Tesla CEO Elon Musk. The accounts of companies like Apple and Uber were also (4) _____. The hack was part of a bitcoin scam. The perpetrators (5) _____ Twitter's administrative tools to gain (6) _____ to the accounts. They then (7) _____ the accounts to post legitimate-looking tweets that informed followers they could double any (8) _____ sent to a bitcoin account.

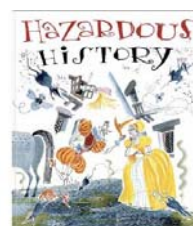
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funds
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The three (9) _____ were arrested on Friday. One is a 19-year-old from the United Kingdom, the other two are American (10) _____ aged 17 and 22. The 17-year-old is a resident of Florida. State investigators believe him to be the (11) _____ of the hack. A state attorney has filed 30 (12) _____ charges against him for "scamming people across America". The teen faces (13) _____ charges, including 10 counts of fraudulent use of personal information. A lawyer told CNN: "There is a (14) _____ belief within the criminal hacker community that attacks like the Twitter hack can be (15) _____ anonymously and without consequence." The hack resulted in 415 transfers being made into the suspects' bitcoin accounts, (16) _____ nearly \$118,000.

worth
felony
citizens
false
perpetrated
suspects
multiple
mastermind

Cloze: Hazardous History

Fill in the gaps with a word from the box. The first one has been done as an example. There are 4 words that you don't need (distracters). 20 x 0.5 = 10 marks



Three centuries (0) _____, people had much shorter lives. In 1700, insurance companies put the (1) _____ life expectancy of a new-born baby at only fourteen years! The average life expectancy in the world (2) _____ is sixty-six years, and in some (3) _____ it is much higher: in Japan or France, for (4) _____, the average is more than eighty. This is mainly because of better diet, better hygiene and better healthcare. Even in the olden days though, it is (5) _____ that if people survived to be an adult they often (6) _____ to be sixty or seventy.

Having children was much more dangerous in (7) _____ days: one in every nine women died in childbirth. Even so, women (8) _____ to have many more children than they do today: in 1800 the average (9) _____ family had seven children - today the average is (10) _____ than two. Perhaps the reason for this was that so many babies died: even a hundred years ago, 20% of children died (11) _____ they were five.

One reason that there were so many diseases was that people (12) _____ much less about hygiene: even rich people didn't use to wash much - many people thought that it was (13) _____ to take a bath, so they often bathed only once or twice (14) _____ year. Instead they used perfume to cover (15) _____ odours. Poor people didn't even have toilets or clean water and most had lice in (16) _____ hair, bodies, clothes and beds.

There was no toothpaste in those days (17) _____ and only rich people used toothbrushes. Of course, toothache was very (18) _____, but there were no professional dentists until the (19) _____ of the nineteenth century. Before that, if you had a toothache, you had to go to the barber's. He not only cut hair, but also used to take out (20) _____ and perform other small operations.

a	ago	American	average	before
body	change	common	contagious	countries
dangerous	either	example	interesting	knew
less	lived	middle	often	rats
teeth	their	those	today	used

0. ago	ago			
1.	2.	3.	4.	5.
6.	7.	8.	9.	10.
11.	12.	13.	14.	15.
16.	17.	18.	19.	20.

Complete the sentences with relative pronouns from the box.

THAT - WHEN - WHERE - WHICH - WHO - WHOSE - WHY

1. The new movie is about a boy _____ has lost his parents in a car accident.
2. He is the young man, _____ wife left him for someone else.
3. The DVD recorder _____ I bought at this store a few days ago is not working.
4. That's the book _____ I recommended reading in class.
5. Is this the hotel _____ you are staying for the tournament?
6. My dad, _____ travels a lot on business, is in Australia at the moment.
7. It was midnight _____ the first rescue team arrived at the scene of the accident.
8. There are several reasons _____ I am not allowed to give you any information.
9. We stayed at the famous Rockstar hotel, _____ also had an indoor swimming pool.
10. Did you write back to the person _____ offered you a job?
11. The story is about a young woman _____ 5-year old son suddenly disappears.
12. The tennis court _____ they usually play is currently not available.
13. My sister was born at a time _____ my dad was out of work.
14. Where is the money _____ I gave you yesterday?
15. That's the man _____ I spoke to the other day.
16. Mr. Fields, _____ sister is one of the leading experts in this country, talked about the dangers of the virus.
17. He didn't tell us _____ he made such an irresponsible decision.
18. The present _____ I got from my boyfriend was really fantastic.
19. I have to buy a present for my mother, _____ birthday is next week.
20. The youth hostel _____ we stayed last week was really big.

Complete the sentences with one of the prepositions from the box.

AT - BY - FOR - IN - ON

1. She was _____ university when she heard about the death of her father.
2. We usually go on holidays _____ plane but this year we are going to Italy _____ car.
3. Let's go _____ a walk. The weather is so great!
4. The train was travelling _____ a speed of over 150 km an hour.
5. She got _____ the bus at Oxford Street and got off five stops later.
6. Despite the bad weather all trains are running _____ time.
7. Bats are mammals that are highly active _____ night.
8. This village isn't even _____ the map. It's so small.
9. We usually go to dance class on Mondays.
10. _____ nightfall over 10 inches of snow had fallen.
11. Doctors hope that the spread of the virus will slow down _____ the summer.
12. Dad always reads his daughter bedtime stories _____ the evening.
13. Let's meet _____ noon. We can have lunch and sort things out.
14. The cat was playing with a ball _____ the corner of Michael's room.
15. She has been a member of the committee _____ 6 years.
16. What are we having _____ dinner today?
17. _____ average, the unemployment rate has been going up 1 per cent a year.
18. Take a seat. I'll be with you _____ a minute.
19. We decided to meet _____ the station.
20. The boss would like to have the report _____ the end of the day at the latest.



Spelling Challenge

For each question only one is spelled correctly and matches its clue.
Write the letter of the correctly spelled word in the space.

- ___ A. CHIDHOOD B. CHILDHOWD C. CHELDHOOD
___ D. CHILDHOOD

youth

- ___ A. LABEL B. LABBEL C. LLABELL D. LABEB

stamp

- ___ A. FREE B. FREA C. FREEE D. FRAE

complimentary

- ___ A. BELEIVE B. BELIERE C. BLIV D. BELIEVE

think

- ___ A. PEICEFUL B. PEACEFULL C. PEACEFUL
___ D. PECEFUL

serene

- ___ A. HARMFUQ B. HARMFUL C. HORMFUL
___ D. HARMFULL

damaging

- ___ A. JUMMP B. JUMPE C. JUMP D. JEMP

bounce

- ___ A. COAST B. KOAST C. COASTE D. COASST

shore



Spelling Challenge

Spelling Worksheet

For each question only one is spelled correctly and matches its clue.
Write the letter of the correctly spelled word in the space.

___ A. ROD B. RODE C. RODDE D. ROCE
carried

___ A. BAREFOOTE B. BAREFOT C. BOREFOOT
D. BAREFOOT
shoeless

___ A. KAREFUL B. CAREFULL C. CATEFUL
D. CAREFUL
attentive

___ A. FREEEZE B. FREAZE C. FREEZE D. FRZ
chill

___ A. KAN B. CAN C. KAN D. KAN
jar

___ A. BIRTHDAI B. BIRTHDAY C. BIRTHDAYE
D. BIRTHDAE
anniversary

___ A. CHOUT B. SHAUT C. SHOUT D. SHOT
scream

___ A. CENNTS B. CENTN C. CENTS D. SENTS
coins



Rhyming Words

Circle the word on each row that rhymes with the word on the left.

traded	foot	behind	skated
great	life	plate	wonder
bear	share	square	perfect
bounce	true	enjoy	announce
grows	blows	follow	tiny
throw	alive	giant	low
speak	girl	leak	drawing
sale	cell	look	whale