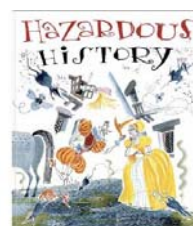


## Cloze: Hazardous History

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         | <del>ago</del> | 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 | <del>ago</del> |     |     |     |
| 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

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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

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## Spelling Challenge

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### 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

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