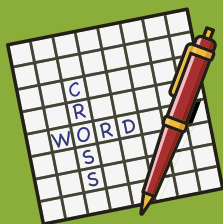




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**LIVELLI LINGUISTICI**

**A1** BEGINNER

**A2** PRE-INTERMEDIATE

**B1** LOWER INTERMEDIATE

**B2** UPPER INTERMEDIATE

**C1** ADVANCED

**C2** PROFICIENCY

**SIMBOLI FONETICI**

i: bee

ɪ it

ɛ bed

æ and

ɑ: car

ɒ box

ɔ: ball

ʊ book

u: blue

ʌ cup

ɜ: bird

ə mother

k car

j yes

θ thank

ð that

z zero

ʃ ship

ʒ leisure

tʃ chair

dʒ jewel

ŋ king

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ANIMAL  
TEAMWORK

► Read the article and answer the questions choosing one of the options.

- 1) What is a group of domesticated cats called?  
☐ a A school.      ☐ b A clowder.      ☐ c A pod.
- 2) What is a group of parrots called?  
☐ a A pandemonium.      ☐ b A bask.      ☐ c A murder.
- 3) What is a group of crows called?  
☐ a A swarm.      ☐ b A cackle.      ☐ c A murder.
- 4) What is a group of sharks called?  
☐ a A mess.      ☐ b A shiver.      ☐ c A parade.
- 5) What is a group of tigers called?  
☐ a An ambush.      ☐ b A bloat.      ☐ c A pod.
- 6) What is a large group of insects called?  
☐ a A school.      ☐ b A clowder.      ☐ c A swarm.
- 7) What is a group of crocodiles called?  
☐ a A shadow.      ☐ b A bask.      ☐ c A herd.
- 8) What is a group of big cats called?  
☐ a A pride.      ☐ b A shoal.      ☐ c A tower.
- 9) What is a group of mice called?  
☐ a A prickle.      ☐ b A mischief.      ☐ c A flamboyance.



# HOW TO TALK ABOUT THE HEAT

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## VOCABULARY

2.1

► Match the adjectives with a similar meaning.

1) moist	a) sage
2) soaring	b) unpredictable
3) cosy	c) unlucky
4) unexpected	d) roaring
5) colloquial	e) stifling
6) suffocating	f) typical
7) cool	g) fresh
8) several	h) various
9) wise	i) frequent
10) common	j) freezing
11) cold	k) humid
12) unfortunate	l) informal
13) classic	m) rising
14) blazing	n) comfortable



### USEFUL EXPRESSIONS

**toss and turn**  
 girarsi e rigirarsi



### USEFUL EXPRESSIONS

**in a row**  
 di fila, di seguito, consecutivo

Turning on the oven during a heat wave? No way! Beat the heat this summer with this traditional English recipe for ice cream. The idea of having bits of dark crunchies embedded in scoops of cool, creamy ice cream is an absolute winner.

## Ingredients

375ml heavy cream  
250ml whole milk  
150g granulated sugar  
pinch of salt  
200g brown bread crumbs  
(or any whole-grain bread)  
Optional: 1 tablespoon dark rum  
3 large eggs yolks  
150g cream cheese, or sour cream  
Optional: ½ teaspoon vanilla extract  
Sliced strawberries

## Brown bread ice cream



## Method

- ✦ Whip the heavy cream until stiff, then gradually add the milk.
- ✦ Fold in the sugar, a pinch of salt and the bread crumbs.
- ✦ Whisk in the rum (if using) with the egg yolks and stir into the cream mixture.
- ✦ Add the cream cheese (or sour cream) and the vanilla, if using, whisking constantly.
- ✦ Refrigerate until thoroughly chilled, preferably overnight, then freeze in your ice cream maker according to the manufacturer's instructions.
- ✦ Serve with sliced strawberries.

# THE GUESSING GAME

► Find in the article the verbs that mean:

- |                                    |  |
|------------------------------------|--|
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| 2) allenarsi, fare pratica         | <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>   |
| 3) perdere                         | <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>  |
| 4) migliorare                      | <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>   |
| 5) vincere                         | <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>   |
| 6) battere, sconfiggere            | <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>   |
| 7) appartenere                     | <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>   |
| 8) significare                     | <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>   |
| 9) attirare                        | <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>  |
| 10) evolversi, svilupparsi         | <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>   |
| 11) rappresentare                  | <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> |
| 12) esplorare                      | <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>  |
| 13) sfruttare, trarre vantaggio da | <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>   |
| 14) sembrare, assomigliare a       | <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>                      |
| 15) provare, cercare di            | <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>   |
| 16) inaugurare, dare il via a      | <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>                      |

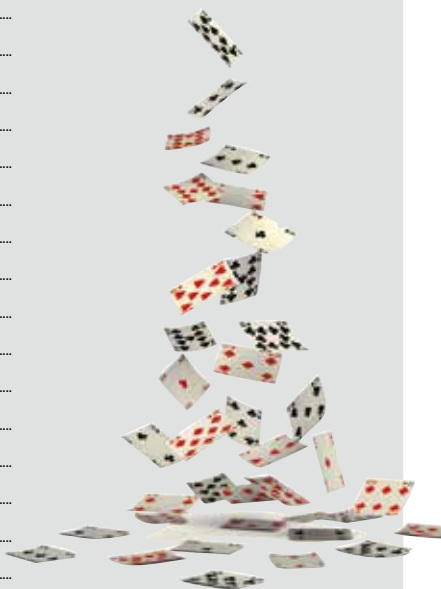


## SPOT THE MISTAKE!

3.2

► Some of the following words, all taken from the article, have a spelling mistake. Find it and rewrite the correct forms.

- 1) language .....
- 2) popularity .....
- 3) appeling .....
- 4) convincingly .....
- 5) instantly .....
- 6) entusiast .....
- 7) psychology .....
- 8) confidense .....
- 9) enterprise .....
- 10) almighy .....
- 11) author .....
- 12) qualifyng .....
- 13) tournment .....
- 14) mathematics .....
- 15) weekness .....
- 16) unprecedented .....
- 17) flamboiant .....
- 18) headfones .....
- 19) teory .....
- 20) espressionless .....



### USEFUL EXPRESSIONS

to such an extent that....  
a tal punto da, al punto che...

► Listen to the interview and complete the sentences using one of the options.

1) Oliver Roeder is the author of

- a *Poker for Dummies.*
- b *If He Can Do That, I Can Do That.*
- c *Seven Games: A Human History.*

2) In 2003 the World Series of Poker Tournament was won by

- a Chris Moneymaker.
- b Oliver Roeder.
- c Texas Hold'em.

3) "GTO" school means

- a Got to Optimise.
- b Game Transformer Online.
- c Game Theory Optimal.

4) Chris Moneymaker was

- a an accountant.
- b a college student.
- c an ESPN commentator.

5) The expression "poker face" means

- a that the players wear sunglasses, hoodies and big headphones.
- b that the players' face lacks any interpretable expression.
- c that the players follow the computer's directions.



► Are the rules of sexual attraction similar to the rules of poker? Released in 2008, sung and cowritten by Lady Gaga, **Poker Face** is one of the world's best-selling singles of all time. Look for it on YouTube and fill in the missing words.

### POKER FACE

I wanna hold 'em like (1) \_\_\_\_\_ do in Texas, please  
Fold 'em, let 'em, hit (2) \_\_\_\_\_, raise it;  
Baby, stay (3) \_\_\_\_\_ me (I love it)  
Love game intuition (4) \_\_\_\_\_ the cards  
With spades (5) \_\_\_\_\_ start  
And after he's been hooked I'll (6) \_\_\_\_\_  
The one that's on (7) \_\_\_\_\_ heart

I'll get him hot, show him (8) \_\_\_\_\_ I've got  
I'll get (9) \_\_\_\_\_ hot, show him what I've got

Can't read (10) \_\_\_\_\_, can't read my  
No, he can't read my (11) \_\_\_\_\_ face  
She's got me like (12) \_\_\_\_\_  
Can't read my, (13) \_\_\_\_\_ read my  
No, he can't (14) \_\_\_\_\_ my poker face  
She's (15) \_\_\_\_\_ me like nobody  
P-p-p-poker (16) \_\_\_\_\_, p-p-p-poker face  
P-p-p-poker face, p-p-p- (17) \_\_\_\_\_ face

I wanna roll with him, a hard pair we will (18) \_\_\_\_\_  
A (19) \_\_\_\_\_ gambling is fun  
When you're with (20) \_\_\_\_\_ (I love it)  
Russian Roulette is not the same (21) \_\_\_\_\_ a gun  
And, baby, when it's love, if it's not rough, it isn't (22) \_\_\_\_\_

I'll get him hot, show (23) \_\_\_\_\_ what I've got  
I'll get him hot, (24) \_\_\_\_\_ him what I've got

Can't read my...

I won't (25) \_\_\_\_\_ you that I love you  
Kiss or (26) \_\_\_\_\_ you  
'Cause I'm bluffin' with (27) \_\_\_\_\_ muffin  
I'm (28) \_\_\_\_\_ lying, I'm just stunning  
With (29) \_\_\_\_\_ love-glue-gunning  
Just like a chick in the (30) \_\_\_\_\_  
Take your bank before I (31) \_\_\_\_\_ you out  
I promise this, (32) \_\_\_\_\_ this  
Check (33) \_\_\_\_\_ hand 'cause I'm marvelous

Can't read my...



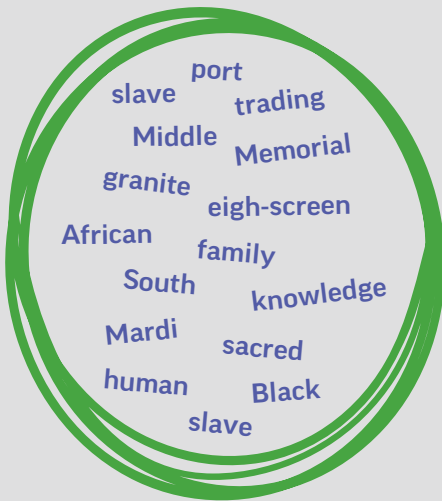
# INTERNATIONAL AMERICAN

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## VOCABULARY

4.1

► Read and match the two words that go together selecting one word from each group, to obtain expressions used in the article.



- 1) .....
- 2) .....
- 3) .....
- 4) .....
- 5) .....
- 6) .....
- 7) .....
- 8) .....

- 9) .....
- 10) .....
- 11) .....
- 12) .....
- 13) .....
- 14) .....
- 15) .....
- 16) .....

# AFRICAN MUSEUM

## VOCABULARY

4.2

► Insert the vowels to complete the following nouns used in the article.

- |            |       |              |       |
|------------|-------|--------------|-------|
| 1) dscndnt | _____ | 11) strhs    | _____ |
| 2) hstrn   | _____ | 12) dspr     | _____ |
| 3) ncstr   | _____ | 13) gnlgy    | _____ |
| 4) msm     | _____ | 14) srvy     | _____ |
| 5) xhbtn   | _____ | 15) cntrbtn  | _____ |
| 6) ncstry  | _____ | 16) rt       | _____ |
| 7) chvmnt  | _____ | 17) cntmpltn | _____ |
| 8) nstlltn | _____ | 18) rtfct    | _____ |
| 9) prfrmnc | _____ | 19) whrf     | _____ |
| 10) pllr   | _____ | 20) pltcn    | _____ |



### USEFUL EXPRESSIONS

as a whole  
nel complesso



► Listen to the interview and decide whether the following statements are true (T), false (F) or not given (NG).

		T	F	NG
1)	The town of Charleston is in South Carolina.			
2)	The International African American Museum opened in 2020.			
3)	The museum features 105,000 square feet of exhibition space.			
4)	The \$200 million project has been underway for about 20 years.			
5)	Gadsden's Wharf is the dock where more than 45% of all African slaves entered America.			
6)	The voyage across the Atlantic from West Africa to America was known as the Middle Passage.			
7)	The museum's building sits atop 18 pillars so as to not touch the ground below, a sign of respect for the sacred site.			
8)	At the entry point, on the second floor, visitors are greeted by an installation featuring eight large video screens.			
9)	The International African American Museum is home to 12 galleries.			
10)	The first rotating exhibit produced by IAAM will be titled Follow the North Star.			
11)	You'll be able to visit the storehouse where enslaved women, men and children were shackled.			
12)	The Center for Family History will allow visitors to trace their genealogy.			
13)	The permanent exhibitions will feature 150 original artifacts, more than 30 artworks, and almost 50 films and digital media.			



### USEFUL EXPRESSIONS

It's a feat in itself  
 è un'impresa in sé,  
 è un'impresa di per sé

► Read this inspirational poem by Langston Hughes (1901-1967), an American poet and activist, and fill in the missing words choosing from the box below.

TOO • TO • BROTHER • STRONG • COMES • HOW •  
COMPANY • EAT • AT • DARE • KITCHEN • BE • I • WELL

### ***I, too***

*I, too, sing America.*

*I am the darker (1) .....*

*They send me to eat in the (2) .....*

*When (3) ..... comes,*

*But (4) ..... laugh,*

*And eat (5) ..... ,*

*And grow (6) ..... .*

*Tomorrow,*

*I'll be (7) ..... the table*

*When company (8) .....*

*Nobody'll (9) .....*

*Say (10) ..... me,*

*"(11) ..... in the kitchen,"*

*Then.*

*Besides,*

*They'll see (12) ..... beautiful I am*

*And (13) ..... ashamed—*

*I, (14) ..... , am America.*

## MUHAMMAD

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## CROSSWORD

5.1

► Complete the crossword by filling in a noun used in the article that means:

ACROSS 2 giustizia

5 velocità

7 colpo

9 romanziere

10 atleta

12 fascino

13 orgoglio

DOWN 1 autore

3 campionato

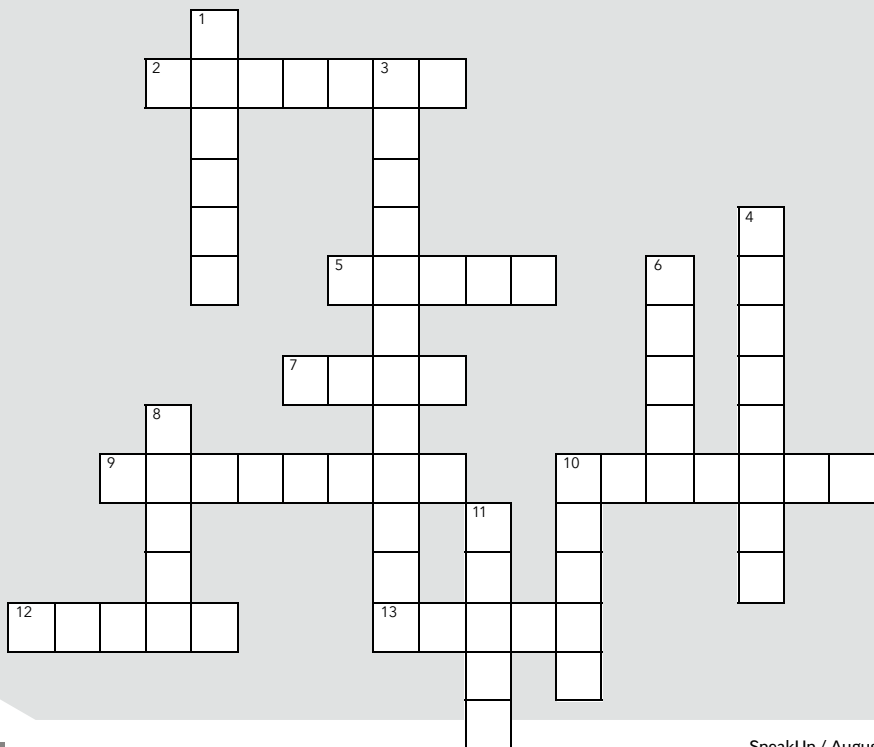
4 movimento

6 pugno

8 potenza

10 irritazione, rabbia

11 abilità



► Find in the article the words that correspond to the following definitions.

- 1)  (noun) a detailed description of another person's life
- 2)  (verb) decline to accept, decline to do
- 3)  (noun) feature that spoils something; defect in a person's character
- 4)  (adjective) causing public disagreement or discussion
- 5)  (noun) stuffed toy bear made from soft material
- 6)  (noun) someone recognised as having an exceptional degree of holiness
- 7)  (adjective) very exact, free from error
- 8)  (verb) make a distinction on the basis of the group to which someone belongs
- 9)  (adjective) possessing a compelling charm that attracts other people



► Unscramble the letters to obtain nouns used in the article.  
The first letter is given to help you.

- 1) WHTHVEEIGAY      H .....
- 2) OINGBX            B .....
- 3) PHERBGIORA      B .....
- 4) ANPECEAPAR      A .....
- 5) HMPTUENNIS      P .....
- 6) ACRETNIO          R .....
- 7) CTNFIORA          F .....
- 8) AINTERNERET      E .....
- 9) HORYTE            T .....
- 10) SPRUREES          P .....
- 11) TAUDEITT           A .....
- 12) ITABYIL            A .....
- 13) MPCAIGNA          C .....
- 14) ELESTLERBS        B .....
- 15) EVIERWINT          I .....
- 16) WOLERFLO          F .....
- 17) HPEOSERUR        S .....
- 18) AISKEMT           M .....
- 19) OAILRDBLB        B .....





► Read the text before the interview and answer the questions choosing one of the options.

- 1) How many of Jonathan Eig's books are bestsellers?
  - ☐ a Five.
  - ☐ b Three.
  - ☐ c Just one.
- 2) When and where was Cassius Clay born?
  - ☐ a In 1940, in Louisville.
  - ☐ b In 1942, in Louisville.
  - ☐ c In 1942, in Atlanta.
- 3) What is the book *Ali: A Life* based on?
  - ☐ a Newly released FBI files.
  - ☐ b A long interview to Muhammad Ali.
  - ☐ c Over five hundred interviews and new released FBI records.
- 4) Why did Cassius Clay change his name in Muhammad Ali?
  - ☐ a After converting to Islam.
  - ☐ b To avoid going to fight in the Vietnam War.
  - ☐ c Because he wanted a more "ethnic" name.
- 5) How many times did Muhammad Ali win the Heavyweight title?
  - ☐ a Three.
  - ☐ b Once.
  - ☐ c Never.
- 6) When was Muhammad Ali banned from boxing?
  - ☐ a In 1981.
  - ☐ b In 1967.
  - ☐ c In 1976.
- 7) Where did he light the Olympic Flame in 1996?
  - ☐ a At the Olympic Games in Atlanta.
  - ☐ b At the Olympic Games in Calgary.
  - ☐ c At the Olympic Games in Seoul.



# IMMEASURABLE WORLDS

► Find in the circle the adjective with an opposite meaning.

- |                    |                        |
|--------------------|------------------------|
| 1) vast .....      | 9) conducive .....     |
| 2) modern .....    | 10) constant .....     |
| 3) full .....      | 11) damaged .....      |
| 4) dry .....       | 12) former .....       |
| 5) dead .....      | 13) near .....         |
| 6) exciting .....  | 14) man-made .....     |
| 7) famous .....    | 15) immeasurable ..... |
| 8) important ..... | 16) lesser-known ..... |





## READING COMPREHENSION

6.2

► Read the article and answer the questions.

- 1) Where did the “Desert Fathers” go to form the basis of Christian monasticism?  
.....
- 2) In what modern TV series is the desert represented as a place of freedom and lawlessness?  
.....
- 3) What nationality is William Atkins?  
.....
- 4) How many deserts did he explore?  
.....
- 5) What is T. E. Lawrence better known as?  
.....
- 6) When did Mildred Cable travel to China’s Gobi Desert?  
.....
- 7) How many Spanish-speaking migrants have died trying to cross the Sonora desert on the US-Mexican border over the last twenty years?  
.....
- 8) What is the name of a famous man-made desert in Kazakhstan?  
.....
- 9) Why was the Aral Sea drained by the Soviet Union in the 1960s?  
.....
- 10) When did the British test their nuclear bombs in the Great Victorian Desert in southern Australia and the Maralinga area?  
.....

THE TRUTH  
ABOUT CATS

► What does it mean?

1) ancestor

- a antiquariato
- b contenitore
- c antenato

2) meow

- a possesso
- b miagolio
- c cigolio

3) resemblance

- a somiglianza
- b resistenza
- c assemblaggio

4) chainsaw

- a motosega
- b catena
- c guinzaglio

5) flagpole

- a bastone
- b asta della bandiera
- c bandiera

6) grooming

- a stalliere
- b risata
- c toelettatura

7) clowder

- a zuppa
- b nuvola
- c gruppo di gatti

8) purpose

- a focena
- b scopo
- c porpora

9) purr

- a povero
- b vibrisse
- c fusa

10) belly

- a campana
- b bellimbusto
- c pancia



## GRAMMAR

## 7.2

► In the article we found a number of comparatives adjectives (**fewer, longer, smaller, shorter, higher, closer, better, more attentive, more pleasing**) and comparative adverbs (**more frequently**).

Let's review the comparatives, including some irregular ones and the spelling rules when adding **-er**. Form the comparative of the following adjectives and adverbs. How many did you get right?

- |               |       |             |       |
|---------------|-------|-------------|-------|
| 1) bad        | _____ | 17) hot     | _____ |
| 2) big        | _____ | 18) icy     | _____ |
| 3) carefully  | _____ | 19) late    | _____ |
| 4) certainly  | _____ | 20) little  | _____ |
| 5) cheap      | _____ | 21) lucky   | _____ |
| 6) crazy      | _____ | 22) much    | _____ |
| 7) crowded    | _____ | 23) nice    | _____ |
| 8) deep       | _____ | 24) polite  | _____ |
| 9) early      | _____ | 25) pretty  | _____ |
| 10) expensive | _____ | 26) quickly | _____ |
| 11) fast      | _____ | 27) simple  | _____ |
| 12) fat       | _____ | 28) slowly  | _____ |
| 13) funny     | _____ | 29) thin    | _____ |
| 14) good      | _____ | 30) tiny    | _____ |
| 15) happily   | _____ | 31) well    | _____ |
| 16) heavy     | _____ | 32) wise    | _____ |

► Listen to the article and match the two halves of the sentences.

1)	House cats differ in only a small number	a)	not just to humans.
2)	Compared to wild felines, domestic cats have	b)	all small species of wild feline meow.
3)	It has been observed that	c)	known as the only really social wild feline species.
4)	The vocalizations of the domestic cat have	d)	domestic cats is a nearly unique behaviour.
5)	Purring is another biological behaviour	e)	longer intestines and smaller brains.
6)	The tail raised almost vertically exhibited by	f)	to interact amicably with each other.
7)	This flagpole signal is directed to other cats as well,	g)	changed to become more pleasant to the human ear.
8)	The tail up communicates the intention	h)	associated with domestication in cats.
9)	However, the social function of tail up	i)	of ways from their wild kin.
10)	Lions, living in prides of as many as 20 cats, are	j)	can be observed in lions too.



► Are you a cat expert? Or a cat owner? Or do you simply love cats? Well then, this Cat Trivia is for you!



- 1) Cats spend how much of their day sleeping?  
**a** 60%.                      **b** 70%.                      **c** 50%.
- 2) What is a cat's normal body temperature?  
**a** 37-39 °C.                      **b** 36 °C.                      **c** 40 °C.
- 3) What percentage of a cat's bones are in its tail?  
**a** 10%.                      **b** 5%.                      **c** There are no bones in the tail.
- 4) All cats are born with what colour eyes?  
**a** Brown.                      **b** Yellow.                      **c** Blue.
- 5) What is the proper term for a group of kittens?  
**a** Pack.                      **b** Kindle.                      **c** Kettle.
- 6) How much of their genetic makeup do cats share with tigers?  
**a** 95,6%.                      **b** 9%.                      **c** 65%.
- 7) How many toes do cats have?  
**a** 18.                      **b** 20.                      **c** 16.
- 8) How many muscles do cats have in each of their ears?  
**a** 32.                      **b** 70.                      **c** 12.
- 9) Which part of a cat is as unique as a human fingerprint?  
**a** Their nose.                      **b** Their back paws.                      **c** Their tongue.
- 10) How did the ancient Egyptians mourn when a family cat died?  
**a** They shaved their eyebrows.  
**b** They shaved their heads.  
**c** They burned incense.

# SUSAN SARANDON

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## WORDSEARCH

8.1

► Locate the nouns hidden in the grid that mean the following. The words can be written in any direction.

❖ IMPEGNO  
❖ CANDIDATO  
❖ GIUSTIZIA  
❖ RICHIESTA  
❖ SOSTEGNO

❖ MANCANZA  
❖ SCIOPERO  
❖ VUOTO  
❖ PIATTAFORMA  
❖ RIFIUTO

❖ SCENEGGIATORE  
❖ DOMANDA, INTERROGATIVO  
❖ SEGMENTO DELLA POPOLAZIONE  
❖ RITRATTO, INTERPRETAZIONE  
❖ PREOCCUPAZIONE, INTERESSAMENTO

P H W  
L A U W E P V P R  
T K Y K L A F M B T L W N  
K B I I J F N H C R F I H I S I J  
P L A T F O R M E N C Y W W A P T Z J  
D U S N U G E I U O Z S B D S F C U Q I X  
Z R O V N C W F I P F M H E W X I Z P K P  
P O X L V N X M T M Y X K S M Z X M N P U K D  
Y V D P O C M S U Z E Y D C A G H M E U D Z A  
Y K G F C O U E X J K G L O R N C G F N W B W J S  
T N E E I L U A Z P I A D S E D S V C B L K B R U  
I X T X F Q E P A M S I T N E F U H X L A T J F P  
R X H X E V Q V A C U U M D N N E V D V A C K F P R  
E E B F D N N D R F V P M A A W X D E P S K L N N O T  
H B P N O M I N E E D P W S Y R P M A U U G O M X R V  
U X O R V Z R J M Q Z T C D I E L T W N I D T G T  
V J I R U C T D I O A R N I T B C H Q W Z Y P Z Q  
C L N J T W T C X G G W B M E W O P I J Q E B Q P  
J I P P R T P U G P R V N R Q O E P Y Z T E A  
X Q A F J A R B C I E A S W N X N D N I U I P  
E J H W Y Y Y K Y N Z P L C T A Q W M Y Z  
F Y L H J W A V D F V T H G J L Z C N N K  
H J X I T U L C P R Z J I X T H E U U  
S S R W Z E V C T A P T C Y A A G  
C O M M I T M E N T B W U  
O E Q S T R I K E  
S Z A





## LISTENING COMPREHENSION

8.2

► Listen and complete the following sentences choosing one of the options.

- 1) In the film *Blue Beetle* Susan Sarandon plays the role of

**a** actress Bette Davis.  
**b** a Hollywood screen writer.  
**c** a ruthless business woman.



### USEFUL EXPRESSIONS

**pave the way**  
spianare la strada, preparare il terreno, gettare le basi

- 2) Susan Sarandon's first Oscar nomination was for the film

**a** *Thelma & Louise*.  
**b** *Atlantic City*.  
**c** *The Rocky Horror Picture Show*.



### USEFUL EXPRESSIONS

**hours on end**  
ore e ore

- 3) Susan Sarandon was born in

**a** New York in 1946.    **b** Italy in 1946.    **c** New York in 1950.

- 4) *The Rocky Horror Picture Show* was released in

**a** 1991.    **b** 1965.    **c** 1975.

- 5) The film *Dead Man Walking* was directed by

**a** Tim Robbins.    **b** Janet Weiss.    **c** Bernie Sanders.

- 6) Susan Sarandon and her husband Tim Robbins

**a** supported Democrat Hillary Clinton against Donald Trump.  
**b** were arrested during a minimum wage protest in New York in May.  
**c** marched against the 2003 invasion of Iraq.

# THE LIES THE CAMERA TELLS

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**ODD ONE OUT**

**9.1**

► Find the adjective that doesn't belong to the group.

- 1) harmonious ♦ charitable ♦ peaceful ♦ agreeable
- 2) unfaithful ♦ deceptive ♦ jealous ♦ adulterous
- 3) domineering ♦ controlling ♦ rough ♦ tyrannical
- 4) fallible ♦ despicable ♦ error-prone ♦ untrustworthy
- 5) oppressive ♦ burdensome ♦ heavy ♦ secluded
- 6) furtive ♦ secret ♦ stealthy ♦ solitary
- 7) devastated ♦ arrogant ♦ grief-stricken ♦ desolate
- 8) lonely ♦ dull ♦ alone ♦ lonesome
- 9) lavish ♦ luxurious ♦ generous ♦ grand
- 10) expensive ♦ excessive ♦ costly ♦ pricey



## LISTENING COMPREHENSION

9.2

► Listen to the short story and write the numbers (1-13) next to the sentences to provide the correct sequence of events.

- ☐ a) Today it's the first anniversary of her death.
- ☐ b) They are going through some of Maggie's photo albums.
- ☐ c) But then Sam decides against it because he doesn't mean to ruin his relationship with Roy.
- ☐ d) Once Sam has left, Roy continues looking at his family photos.
- ☐ e) But then Roy decides against it because he doesn't want to ruin his relationship with Sam.
- ☐ f) He notices that in the pictures his brother is often the person standing next to Maggie and that they seem to share a secret.
- ☐ g) He thinks he should probably tell his brother the truth: that his marriage wasn't as happy as he thought.
- ☐ h) He considers going to Sam's house and confront him.
- ☐ i) At the same time Sam is reflecting on his own memories.
- ☐ j) He suddenly realises that perhaps his wife and his brother had an affair.
- ☐ k) He recalls the many times he had to comfort Maggie about her unhappy marriage.
- ☒ l) Roy has been married to Maggie for over forty years.
- ☐ m) Roy is talking about it with his brother Sam.



# JOKES

I LOVE IT WHEN I FIND MYSELF  
SCREAMING "STOP SCREAMING"  
AT MY KIDS. THAT'S HOW I TEACH  
THEM IRONY.



I TRIED TO SUE  
THE AIRPORT FOR  
MISPLACING MY LUGGAGE.  
I LOST MY CASE.



I USED TO THINK  
I WAS INDECISIVE,  
BUT NOW I'M NOT  
SO SURE.



# SOLUTIONS

## GROUPS OF ANIMALS

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#### 1.1 VOCABULARY

- 1) A clowder. 2) A pandemonium. 3) A murder. 4) A shiver. 5) An ambush. 6) A swarm. 7) A bask. 8) A pride. 9) A mischief.

## HOW TO TALK ABOUT THE HEAT

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#### 2.1 VOCABULARY

- 1) k, 2) m, 3) n, 4) b, 5) l, 6) e, 7) g, 8) h, 9) a, 10) i, 11) j, 12) c, 13) f, 14) d

## THE GUESSING GAME

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#### 3.1 VOCABULARY

- 1) capture, 2) train, 3) lose, 4) improve, 5) win, 6) beat, 7) belong, 8) mean, 9) attract, 10) evolve, 11) represent, 12) explore, 13) exploit, 14) look like, 15) try, 16) kick off

#### 3.2 SPOT THE MISTAKE!

- 1) language, 3) appealing, 6) enthusiast, 7) psychology, 8) confidence, 10) almighty, 12) qualifying, 13) tournament, 15) weakness, 17) flamboyant, 18) headphones, 19) theory, 20) expressionless

#### 3.3 LISTENING COMPREHENSION

- 1) c, 2) a, 3) c, 4) a, 5) b

#### 3.4 SONG

- |             |              |              |
|-------------|--------------|--------------|
| (1) they    | (13) can't   | (25) tell    |
| (2) me      | (14) read    | (26) hug     |
| (3) with    | (15) got     | (27) my      |
| (4) play    | (16) face    | (28) not     |
| (5) to      | (17) poker   | (29) love    |
| (6) play    | (18) be      | (30) casino  |
| (7) his     | (19) little  | (31) pay     |
| (8) what    | (20) me      | (32) promise |
| (9) him     | (21) without | (33) this    |
| (10) my     | (22) fun     |              |
| (11) poker  | (23) him     |              |
| (12) nobody | (24) show    |              |

## INTERNATIONAL AFRICAN AMERICAN MUSEUM

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#### 4.1 VOCABULARY

- 1) port city, 2) trading port, 3) slave trade, 4) Middle Passage, 5) granite wall, 6) Memorial Garden, 7) eight-screen installation, 8) family history, 9) African American, 10) South Carolina, 11) knowledge system, 12) Mardi Gras, 13) sacred site, 14) human being, 15) Black American, 16) slave owner

#### 4.2 VOCABULARY

- 1) descendant, 2) historian, 3) ancestor, 4) museum, 5)

- exhibition, 6) ancestry, 7) achievement, 8) installation, 9) performance, 10) pillar, 11) storehouse, 12) diaspora, 13) genealogy, 14) survey, 15) contribution, 16) root, 17) contemplation, 18) artefact, 19) wharf, 20) politician

#### 4.3 TRUE OR FALSE?

- 1) T, 2) F, 3) NG, 4) F, 5) T, 6) T, 7) T, 8) T, 9) F, 10) NG, 11) F, 12) T, 13) NG

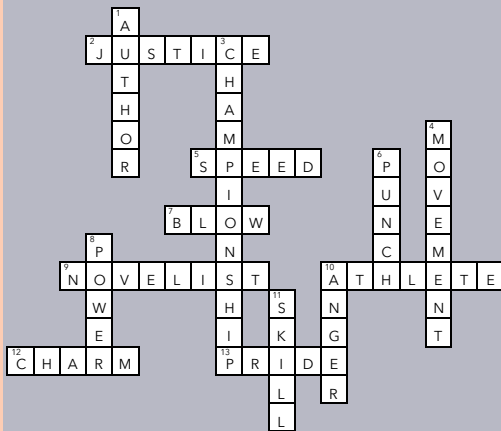
#### 4.4 READING COMPREHENSION

- |             |           |
|-------------|-----------|
| (1) brother | (8) comes |
| (2) kitchen | (9) dare  |
| (3) company | (10) to   |
| (4) I       | (11) Eat  |
| (5) well    | (12) how  |
| (6) strong  | (13) be   |
| (7) at      | (14) too  |

## MUHAMMAD ALI

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#### 5.1 CROSSWORD



#### 5.2 VOCABULARY

- 1) biography, 2) refuse, 3) flaw, 4) controversial, 5) teddy bear, 6) saint, 7) accurate, 8) discriminate, 9) charismatic

#### 5.3 VOCABULARY

- 1) HEAVYWEIGHT  
2) BOXING  
3) BIOGRAPHER  
4) APPEARANCE  
5) PUNISHMENT  
6) REACTION  
7) FRACTION  
8) ENTERTAINER  
9) THEORY  
10) PRESSURE  
11) ATTITUDE  
12) ABILITY

- 13) CAMPAIGN
- 14) BESTSELLER
- 15) INTERVIEW
- 16) FOLLOWER
- 17) SUPERHERO
- 18) MISTAKE
- 19) BILLBOARD

#### 5.4 READING COMPREHENSION

- 1) b, 2) b, 3) c, 4) a, 5) a, 6) b, 7) a

#### IMMEASURABLE WORLDS

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#### 6.1 VOCABULARY

- 1) vast - tiny, 2) modern - old-fashioned, 3) full - empty, 4) dry - moist, 5) dead - alive, 6) exciting - dull, 7) famous - obscure, 8) important - negligible, 9) conducive - unfavourable, 10) constant - occasional, 11) damaged - perfect, 12) former - latter, 13) near - far away, 14) man-made - natural, 15) immeasurable - limited, 16) lesser-known - renowned

#### 6.2 READING COMPREHENSION

- 1) Into the Western Sahara.
- 2) In *Breaking Bad*.
- 3) British.
- 4) Eight.
- 5) Lawrence of Arabia.
- 6) In the 1930s.
- 7) At least eight thousand.
- 8) The Aral Sea.
- 9) To divert water for the irrigation of cotton.
- 10) In the 1950s and 1960s.

#### 7.3 LISTENING COMPREHENSION

- 1) i, 2) e, 3) b, 4) g, 5) h, 6) d, 7) a, 8) f, 9) j, 10) c

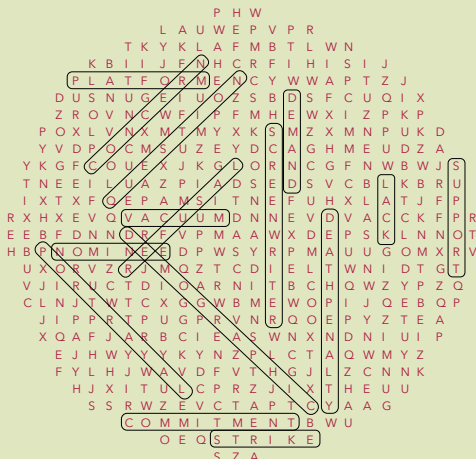
#### 7.4 TRIVIA TIME!

- 1) 70%. 2) 37-39 °C. 3) 10%. 4) Blue. 5) Kindle. 6) 95,6%.
- 7) 18. 8) 32. 9) Their nose. 10) They shaved their eyebrows.

#### SUSAN SARANDON

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#### 8.1 WORDSEARCH



#### 8.2 LISTENING COMPREHENSION

- 1) c, 2) b, 3) a, 4) c, 5) a, 6) c

#### THE TRUTH ABOUT CATS

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#### 7.1 VOCABULARY

- 1) c, 2) b, 3) a, 4) a, 5) b, 6) c, 7) c, 8) b, 9) c, 10) c

#### 7.2 GRAMMAR

- |                    |                  |
|--------------------|------------------|
| 1) worse           | 17) hotter       |
| 2) bigger          | 18) icier        |
| 3) more carefully  | 19) later        |
| 4) more certainly  | 20) less         |
| 5) cheaper         | 21) luckier      |
| 6) crazier         | 22) more         |
| 7) more crowded    | 23) nicer        |
| 8) deeper          | 24) more polite  |
| 9) earlier         | 25) prettier     |
| 10) more expensive | 26) more quickly |
| 11) faster         | 27) simpler      |
| 12) fatter         | 28) more slowly  |
| 13) funnier        | 29) thinner      |
| 14) better         | 30) tinier       |
| 15) more happily   | 31) better       |
| 16) heavier        | 32) wiser        |

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#### 9.1 ODD ONE OUT

- 1) charitable
- 2) jealous
- 3) rough
- 4) despicable
- 5) secluded
- 6) solitary
- 7) arrogant
- 8) dull
- 9) generous
- 10) excessive

#### 9.2 LISTENING COMPREHENSION

- 1) l, 2) a, 3) m, 4) b, 5) d, 6) f, 7) j, 8) h, 9) e, 10) i, 11) k, 12) g, 13) c

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