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NEWSREEL

Questions



Education cannot wait

1. A new report by the children's charity UNICEF states that 75 million children in the world are missing out on _____.
2. These children live in countries affected by _____ or _____ where schools have closed or have been damaged or destroyed.
3. The report states that if children stay out of school for more than a year, they...?
 - a) will not return
 - b) will never learn to read or write
 - c) will fall outside of society



4. It means they don't get the chance to be educated and..?

- a) improve their lives
- b) literate
- c) earn enough money to secure the future of their families

5. What is the name of the new international fund to help children return to school?

Learning on safari

6. Which South African children are invited to go on safaris?

7. What will they learn about on the safaris?

The problems of _____

8. Circle the animals mentioned in the sequence;

Parrots

Zebras

Rhinos

Giraffes

Hippos

Elephants

Testing times

9. Kids in the UK aged 7 and 11 recently took important tests called..?

- a) TAAS
- b) STTS
- c) SATS

10. What subjects are they tested on?

- a) Science and maths
- b) Reading, writing and maths
- c) English literature

11. What do parents think of the tests?

12. What was special about Mrs. Thom's instructions before the test?

- a) She gave her pupils the correct answers
- b) They included eating ice cream
- c) She told her pupils to skip the test



Messages for Rio

13. Athletes from Great Britain will take special messages of inspiration with them to the Games, written by _____ back home.

14. Kids were invited to take part in a competition to send their good luck messages to the athletes who won't have to look _____ to find them.

15. Where will the messages be hidden?

Translation time

1. Newsreel reported on the problem of poaching in African countries.
2. The only failure is when you stop trying.



Grammar grill

To or too?

1. Children who don't return _____ school within a year usually never return again.
2. This story is _____ sad.
3. I'm happy _____ say many children have now returned _____ school.
4. South African children are _____ spoiled.
5. I would love _____ go on a safari.
6. These tests are _____ hard. I will never succeed!
7. Don't be _____ hard on yourself.
8. Some answers are _____ easy.

10-minute discussion

UNICEF has a campaign to bring children back to school after having been absent for a while. What different reasons can you find for children missing out on school? Do they vary from country to country, do you think? What suggestions can you think of to help children return to school? What would be needed in order to realise your suggestions? Do you think it's important to help children back to school? Why/why not?

The big debate

British pupils have just had their big tests in school. Swedish pupils have also taken tests during the spring (Nationella prov). Why do you think countries have compulsory tests in certain grades like this? Do you think the tests are important? Why/why not? Could you think of any alternatives to tests that schools could have instead? Why do you think only some grades have these tests? Why not every grade?

Answers

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1. education
2. War or poverty
3. a) will not return
4. a) improve their lives
5. Education Cannot Wait

Learning on safari

6. children from the city
7. poaching
8. rhinos and elephants

Testing times

9. c) SATS
10. b) Reading, writing and maths
11. Children get too stressed
12. b) They included eating ice cream

Messages for Rio

13. children
14. too far
15. inside their suits

Translation time

1. Newsreel rapporterade om problemen med tjuvjakt i afrikanska länder.
2. Det enda misslyckandet är när du slutar försöka.

Grammar grill

1. Children who don't return _____ to _____ school within a year usually never return again.
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7. Don't be _____ too _____ hard on yourself.
8. Some answers are _____ too _____ easy.