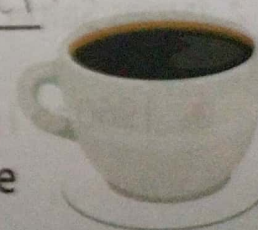


READING COMPREHENSION



1 Read the text and fill in the gaps with the correct option.

Coffee is popular around the world. (0) over the past centuries, few subjects have been as carefully studied as coffee. Its (1) most important component is caffeine and it has lots of benefits. Coffee has been well-known (2) since the beginning of the 14th century, (3) when Sufi Yemenis started using coffee to stay alert during special activities. It became a popular medicine (4) among Europeans in the 1600s. Caffeine was first (5) described in the 1800s by Ferdinand Runge, a doctor that found out some effects that coffee has on people. Some people say (6) drinking coffee isn't good, but doctors say you (7) mustn't believe this. Thanks to caffeine you don't get hungry. Coffee can also reduce headaches and blood problems. (8) because many people believe coffee is bad, studies show it is good for your heart.



0. a. over

b. by

c. across

1. a. much

b. more

c. most

2. a. during

b. until

c. since

and enjoyed being famous. Deborah Treisman and Michael Agger have talked about Salter. Nick Paumgarten in *The Last Book*, describes Salter's opinion about his film career: "Of sixteen texts for movies, only four were popular. There was money, attractive women, and entrance into rooms where there were stories more for the dinner table than for the page." Salter thought he was wasting his time. Perhaps he wasted his time in a larger artistic way, but it still makes for attractive reading. *The Last Book* is available to everyone in online stores.

1. James Salter is famous for
 a. his books b. his movies c. his plays
2. James Salter played an important part in the making of movies from
 a. 1960 to 1979 b. 1960 to 1970 c. 1960 to 1985
3. *Passionate Falsehoods* is
 a. a newspaper b. a play c. a movie
4. Salter had nice and difficult times in his
 a. acting years b. big screen work c. visit to one city
5. *The Last Book* was written by
 a. James Salter b. Deborah Treisman c. Nick Paumgarten
6. James Salter thinks that his work in the cinema business was
 a. not useful b. not hard c. not usual
7. Reading about James Salter's years in the cinema could be
 a. clever enough b. just fair c. quite interesting
8. *The Last Book* can be found
 a. in museums b. at a café c. on the web

It certainly feels great to find new excellent food delivery companies for whenever you don't feel like cooking yourself. I recently had a sad experience with my usual take away restaurant, so I decided to change to something else - and on my first try I got what I wanted! Order now from Swift Pizza and Sandwich House.

Mark

1. According to the text, the customer
- a. left a £25 tip to the waiters who work there.
 - b. celebrated Christmas and New Year at this restaurant.
 - c. found this great restaurant after many attempts.
 - d. posted an excellent review about this restaurant.
2. It can be inferred from the text that Mark
- a. does not like cooking food for himself.
 - b. almost always eats hamburgers.
 - c. enjoys eating fast food sometimes.
 - d. is tired of going to restaurants.

1. When she was seven, she slept

- a. for some hours b. very well c. a lot

2. Where was the painter from?

- a. Ireland b. Spain c. France

3. She was mostly excited by the

- a. painter's ability b. painter's voice c. painter's show

4. How often did she watch the show?

- a. three times a week b. once a week c. twice a week

5. She could not get oil paints because she

- a. didn't speak Spanish b. was too young c. always watched TV

6. Stopping painting was

- a. the painter's idea b. her mother's order c. her own decision

