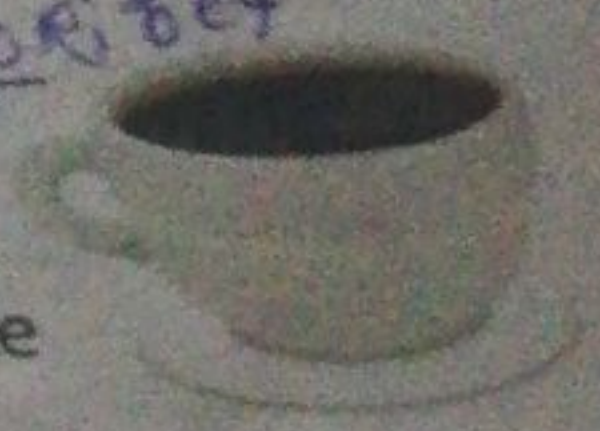


**READING COMPREHENSION**



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) while many people believe coffee is bad, studies show it is good for your heart.



- 0.  over
  - 1.  much
  - 2.  during
  - 3.  when
  - 4.  among
  - 5.  describe
  - 6.  drink
  - 7.  mustn't
  - 8.  while
- across
  - most
  - since
  - who
  - along
  - describes
  - drunk
  - wouldn't
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2 Read the text and answer the questions.

**JAMES SALTER'S DAYS IN FILM**

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