

GENERAL REVISION – LEVEL 4

1 - READING COMPREHENSION

Christiane Amanpour is one of the world's most famous journalists. She's done research on people's behaviour in different contexts.

Read the text carefully. Then, say if the sentences are True or False. Justify your answers with the line number.

5 Research suggests that the chair you choose in the classroom says a lot about you and your personality. For more than seventy years, psychologists and teachers have studied the connection between the place where students choose to sit in class and what they are like as people and learners. Where do you usually decide to sit? Have you ever thought about the reasons for your decision?



➡ **At the back**

10 People often think that students who sit at the back are lazy. But is this really true? Well, some researchers say it's not. In fact, shy students often choose the back row because it's far away from the teacher and they don't want to answer questions or take part in discussions. At the back, students probably won't speak much, but in big classrooms it can be hard to see the board and hear what the teacher is saying. This could be the reason why students who sit here often get lower marks in exams.

➡ **On one side**

15 Students who sit on one side of the class are normally interested in lessons, but they like watching and listening rather than taking part. These students are usually very good at taking notes. Next time you miss a lesson, take notes from someone who sits here.

➡ **In the middle**

20 Do you sit in the middle of the classroom? Then the statistics say you probably like your teacher. You probably also have a good relationship with your classmates. Caring, outgoing and cheerful people usually sit in the middle. They are normally serious about learning and feel bad with low marks.

➡ **At the front**

Are you passionate about knowledge? Are you worried about missing important information in class? Then, you probably sit right at the front of the class. Students at the front love discussing things with the teacher and are often very interested in the subject.

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1. Researchers agree that students who sit at the back aren't lazy.		
2. Students who sit at the back get low marks because they don't participate in class.		
3. If you can't attend a class, you should ask a student who sits on one side for the material.		
4. Easy-going classmates sit in the middle.		
5. Students at the front usually argue with the teacher because they think they are missing important information.		

2- FILL IN THE BLANKS

Now read Christiane's blog about people's preferences when buying online.

Use one word from the box in each blank. There are five extra words you don't need.

The internet - the world's ⁽¹⁾ market

Lots of people find shopping online easier ⁽²⁾ going to their local high street or to the supermarket and they love the cheaper prices on the internet. They also like ⁽³⁾ other customer's reviews, so they know different people's opinions about a product before they buy. But for many people, the ⁽⁴⁾ important advantage of online shopping is the fact that you can buy ⁽⁵⁾ from your couch. On the internet your ⁽⁶⁾ centre is the world, and it is also the perfect place to find something strange or unusual.

For some people, on the other hand, experiences are ⁽⁷⁾ important than possessions and they too can find a ⁽⁸⁾ of interesting things on the internet. ⁽⁹⁾ you like to give your name to a character in a novel or appear in a TV show? Win the right online auction and you can!! You don't get much exercise when you shop online and you don't see many friendly faces, but if you are looking ⁽¹⁰⁾ something unusual, there's nowhere better!!

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READING	FOR	TO	THAN	BIGGEST
MORE	COMFORTABLY	SHOPPING	LOT	READ

3- COMPLETE THE DIALOGUE

Complete Christiane's interview with Gemma, a teenager who decided on the family holiday, with some funny results!!

Make questions to complete the dialogue.

C: So Gemma, _____? (1)

G: No, I haven't packed the bags, but I've booked the holiday destination!!!

C: Really? _____? (2)

G: Well, I love adventure so we are going to stay at a campsite in the Lake District.

C: What did your mum say? _____? (3)

G: Never!! Mum's never put up a tent before!!!

C: What do you expect from this experience? _____? (4)

G: I would like to have some time to talk to mum... We're both too busy to talk at home!!!

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1. Researchers agree that students who sit at the back aren't lazy.	F	8/9
2. Students who sit at the back get low marks because they don't participate in class.	F	11/12
3. If you can't attend a class, you should ask a students who sits on one side for the material.	T	15/16
4. Easy-going classmates sit in the middle.	T	19
5. Students at the front usually argue with the teacher because they think they are missing important information.	F	24/25

2- FILL IN THE BLANKS

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A lot of people find shopping online easier **than** going to their local high street or to the supermarket and they love the cheaper prices on the internet. They also like **reading** other customer's reviews, so they know different people's opinions about a product before they buy. But for many people, the **most** important advantage of online shopping is the fact that you can buy **comfortably** from your couch. On the internet your **shopping** centre is the world, and it is also the perfect place to find something strange or unusual.

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1. Have you packed the bags (yet)?
2. Where are you going (to stay /go)?
3. Has your mum ever put up a tent? / been camping?/ Does your mum have experience in camping?
4. What would you like to do there?