

LONDON TEST 1

Exercise I

Complete the text with the missing words from the box.

main	proud	centre	wives	royal
famous	Queen	feed	belonged	beautiful
elegant	aviary	environment	attractive	food

London is 1..... of her many green and open spaces, where the English countryside comes to the 2..... of the city. All the 3..... parks were once 4.... gardens, but today they're here for everyone to enjoy.

St. James's Park, near Buckingham Palace, is London's oldest. It 5..... to Henry VIII – the king who had six 6..... . In the park you can 7..... the swans, geese, ducks and other water birds that live near the lake.

In Kensington Gardens stands the Albert Memorial, which 8..... Victoria built in memory of her husband. Facing it is the Albert Hall, where the ... 9 Promenade Concerts are held.

One of the best times to visit London's parks is in the spring. At this time of the year, Regent's Park is a 10..... place of blossom and flowers. It's perhaps London's most 11..... park, with its 12..... gardens and lakes. And at any time of the year, you can visit the Zoo, which has an 13..... where birds can live in their natural 14....., and about 6000 animals, many of them born here in Regent's Park. But the Zoo's most popular residents are, of course, the pandas. Pandas come from the mountains of south-west China, but there are very few of these wonderful creatures left in the world. Their main 15..... is bamboo and they're very fond of it!

Exercise II

Complete the sentences with the correct prepositions from the box.

At	from	near	on	to
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1. There is a famous ceremony everyday ... Buckingham Palace.
2. The Cutty Sark was the fastest merchant ship ... the sea.
3. The Tower of London is ... the north bank of the Thames ... Tower Bridge.
4. The Cutty Sark carried tea ... China.
5. The cathedral is one hundred and ten metres high ... the floor ... the top of the cross.

Exercise III

Put the words in the sentences below into the correct order.

1. 1762/a/was/hospital/it/sailors/built/as/in/for
2. seventy-two/once/Australia/she/to/England/only/sailed/in/days/from
3. it's/museum/boats/for/popular/a/yachts/for/a/place/and/unusual
4. the/towers/it/for/is/the/machinery/in/raising/two
5. is/home/one/the/Gallery/of/these/many/of/paintings/National/famous

LONDON TEST 2

Exercise I

Complete the text with the correct words from the box.

cruel	bank	built	prison	high
ghosts	died	buildings	important	includes
uniform	history	birthday	soldiers	occasions

The ancient Tower of London is on the north 1...of the Thames, next to Tower Bridge. It was started by William the Conqueror who invaded Britain in 1066.He 2... the tower to impress and frighten the English. It has a long and 3... history.

It was once a 4... for enemies of the king. People say the 5... of the men and women who 6... in the Tower still walk here at night. There are many 7... here, but the most 8... is the White Tower, which is the oldest. Its walls are thirty meters 8 ... There's also a Jewel House which 10... the famous Crown Jewels.

The men who guard the Tower - and the Crown Jewels - are the Warders or Beefeaters. They can tell you everything about its 11 ... Their clothes are the 12... of royal guards of the year 1500.

As well as Beefeaters, other 13...guard the Tower - guardsmen of a regiment of foot soldiers - the same regiment that guards Buckingham Palace. And they have their own ceremony on Tower Green.

Sometimes you can see another regiment firing its guns. This happens on special 14... like a royal 15... Today the Tower no longer frightens Londoners, but the guns sometimes frighten visitors!

Exercises II

Complete the sentences with the correct prepositions from the box.

at	in	on	inside	outside	to	through
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1. London is... the south-east of England... the River Thames.
2. The guardsmen stand ... the palace.
3. ... the buildings... St. Katharine's Dock, traders stored ivory, marble, wine and spices.
4. Every day a new guard marches... the palace.
5. First the band marches... the gates.

Exercises III

Put the words in the sentences below into the correct order.

- 1.the/British/it's/political/the/of/the/centre/Kingdom/the/and/Parliament/t
he/of/united/home
- 2.south/white/its/north/and/four/east/look/faces/west
- 3.the/of/clock/the/it's/the/bell/inside/name
- 4.Nelson
/in/Admiral/the/at/this/Trafalgar/1805/commemorates/sea/of/Lord/victory
- 5.with/who/the/after/people/the/they're/popular/the/but/tourists/buildings/
with/unpopular/look