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**B. USE OF ENGLISH**

No dictionary allowed

**Part B:**  
20 points/ \_\_\_\_\_

1. Read the text about railways in Canada. Find **SEVEN** mistakes in the text and write the correct word on the numbered line. Write only one word to correct the mistake. There is an example (0) at the beginning.

In the early years the railway played a very important role in the development **about** Canada. Nowadays it is more and less used to transport goods. Bus tickets are cheaper as train tickets and planes are more popular if you are short of time. But when you take the time and travel with train, the experience of traveling will certainly be unforgettable. Lots of tourists drive the train through the Rocky Mountains and enjoy the incredible views of the landscape. Over the years the train has served many purposes. At the first half of the last century there used to be a wagon equipped with a classroom, a library and accommodation for a teacher. It traveled around the country every month and children which lived in remote areas was able to have at least two or three days' teaching each month before the train took the wagon to the next remote location.

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2. Read the text about whale watching. Fill in the gaps using the words in brackets. Change the words, if necessary, to make them fit the sentence. Do not change the text. There is an example (0) at the beginning.

Watching whales is very popular with (0 tourist) tourists

Vancouver Island in West Canada is a (1 good) \_\_\_\_\_-known 1/\_\_\_

place for whale watching. Quite a few agencies offer such tours. And since the 1980s these tours (2 be) \_\_\_\_\_ increasingly popular among 1/\_\_\_

tourists. You can choose between a tour on a motor or a sailing boat. Or you can even book a helicopter tour. Of course, this is really expensive but it

(3 offer) \_\_\_\_\_ a completely different perspective. On the boat 1/\_\_\_

tours you get very (4 close) \_\_\_\_\_ to the giants of the ocean. 1/\_\_\_

It is not dangerous because these animals are quite peaceful and never attack people. You could even paddle among them in a kayak. But this can be a bit risky

because a whale's normal movements could (5 easy) \_\_\_\_\_ 1/\_\_\_

turn your kayak over. 'Swimming with the whales' would then be

(6 include) \_\_\_\_\_ in the price! An experience you 1/\_\_\_

(7 not forget) \_\_\_\_\_ for the rest of your life. 1/\_\_\_

Vancouver Island is indeed worth a visit.

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3. Read the text about the Yukon Quest. Fill each gap with ONE word that fits the sentence. Do not change the text. There is an example (0) at the beginning.

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The Yukon Quest is (0) the hardest dog-sled race in the world. To get from Whitehorse to Fairbanks, which is a distance of about 1600 km or one thousand (1) \_\_\_\_\_, the fastest drivers need about eight days. Some sled drivers need a few days longer but every year (2) \_\_\_\_\_ are several who have to give up. Temperatures down to minus forty degrees and heavy winds (3) \_\_\_\_\_ this race a real challenge for the humans as well as for the dogs.

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The first race (4) \_\_\_\_\_ place in February 1984. The name "Yukon Quest" goes back to the historical highway to the north. During the gold rush, about a hundred and fifty years (5) \_\_\_\_\_, the gold seekers used sleds like the ones the Inuit had. According to the race rules, participants in the Yukon Quest today (6) \_\_\_\_\_ to compete using similar dog sleds.

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The race is very popular, even in Europe. In 2002, it was won by a European for the first time.

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