

PART 3

You are going to read a newspaper article about a cat. Seven sentences have been removed from the article. Choose from the sentences A-H the one which fits each gap (16-21). There is one extra sentence which you do not need to use. There is an example at the beginning (0).

Court Frees Cat

The Dutch supreme court has ruled that Napoleon, the black cat who was put under house arrest for life, can once again prowl the streets of the exclusive suburb of the Hague where his owners live. Undoubtedly, Napoleon will feel relieved that he will once again be able to breathe plenty of fresh air and have the freedom to go anywhere he wants to.

0 **H** He would fight them and chase them away from their hunting grounds and places where they played. Now, however, a new decision has been made and the tough five-year-old tom-cat is to be allowed out again on the streets of Wassenaar, the Hague's diplomatic area. 16 Later you will find out why this is not the ideal solution, but first, let's see why Napoleon's case is so unusual.

17 He was found guilty of breach of the peace on evidence backed up by police reports. It was Napoleon's enormous appetite that drove him to break into homes and eat everything in sight, even goldfish and gourmet food from millionaires' villas.

After he was forbidden to leave his home, council officials warned that one more raid would put him in an animal refuge. 18 This is because after a couple of months in the refuge the cats are put down due to the constant arrival of cats and the lack of space to keep them.

To avoid the death penalty, Napoleon was taken to Belgium and became a guest in a Brussels apartment. Owner Harry Vennekens said that Na-

oleon was unhappy there with only a balcony to explore. 19 Napoleon was growing weaker by the day, and if something wasn't done soon, he would be certain to die in a matter of weeks.

After an appeal by Vennekens, the Dutch supreme court has ruled that the municipality was acting unreasonably by ordering him to stay indoors. Napoleon is expected to return home shortly. It is fantastic news! Or is it?

The town council and the owner don't think it is fantastic news. They are dissatisfied with the decision to partially restore his prowling rights, allowing him to walk in the streets for a restricted period every day. They would rather Napoleon had complete freedom. 20 He said it would be almost impossible to have Napoleon home before the deadline of nine o'clock.

Vennekens said: "It is a ridiculous decision. Am I expected to teach Napoleon the time or hang an alarm clock around his neck and train him to come home when it goes off?" Although Napoleon will be better off than he was, he will still have only three hours to go where he likes. However, as he can't tell the time, he will probably come home after nine o'clock, and the court will send him away for arriving after the deadline. The situation looks hopeless. 21

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- A Nevertheless Vennekens, who loves Napoleon, has promised to continue his campaign to restore his cat's freedom.
- B Napoleon was the first animal in history to appear before a court.
- C But he can only stay out between six and nine o'clock in the evening.
- D Napoleon is very independent and dislikes the company of other cats.
- E This would almost certainly be condemning him to death.
- F He explained that he had lost two kilos and it was all due to stress.
- G A mayor's office spokesman described the ruling as "unworkable".
- H The court ordered Napoleon to stay at home because it was believed that he had been terrorising neighbouring cats and stealing their food.

PART 4

You are going to read some information about the north of England. For questions 22-35, choose from the places (A-H). Some of the places may be chosen more than once. When more than one answer is required, these may be given in any order. There is an example at the beginning (0).

Which place or places would you recommend for someone who:

- wants to visit a lot of museums? 0 **A**
- is interested in the arts? 22
- loves eating sweet food? 23
- likes skiing and windsurfing? 24
- wants a lot of family entertainment? 25
- likes visiting cathedrals? 26 27
- wants to see magnificent views? 28 29 30
- likes shopping? 31 32
- loves walking around pretty villages? 33 34
- wants a peaceful holiday? 35

Beautiful Places in the North of England

- Lancaster** **A** Leaving by the exit from platform 4 you are plunged straight into the heart of the exciting city of Lancaster, presided over for centuries by the magnificent castle and priory which are both open to the public. Nearby is the cottage museum, furnished in the style of William IV's reign, and not far from that is the judges' town house museum, displaying superb furniture. On the top floor is the museum of childhood. A stroll down to St George's Quayside brings to life Lancaster's maritime past. Don't get back on the train yet, there's still the city and regimental museum, St Mary's Priory Church and St Peter's Cathedral, all with free entry, plus the Tropical Butterfly House to visit.
- Kendal** **E** The thriving market town of Kendal has a fascinating history. The castle, built in Norman times, is believed to be the birthplace of Katherine Parr. Kendal is full of interesting little streets and the Brewery Arts Centre has a varied programme of arts events.
- West Coast** **F** Take the train along the magnificent west coast where the rail line hugs the shore, affording spectacular views of mountain and sea. Bring along your bucket and spade for a day at the beach, and your binoculars for the wildlife and the fantastic scenery. On a clear day you can see the Isle of Man and Scotland. Choose any one of a number of stops and you will discover a wealth of history and a large part of Britain's industrial heritage.
- Furness and Cartmel** **B** The beautiful Cartmel and Furness Peninsulas, which include the southern tip of the Lake District, offer spectacular views and tranquillity for everyone. Grange-over-sands, in the Cartmel Peninsula, is renowned for its sub-tropical climate, traffic-free promenade and refreshing sea air, with glorious views across Morecombe Bay. Discover the picturesque village of Cartmel, dominated by its Norman Priory, and buildings dating back to the fourteenth century. On the Furness Peninsula, explore quaint villages, castles, an abbey, working mills and a museum dedicated to one of the region's most famous sons, Stan Laurel, in the pretty market town of Ulverston. The whole area is a haven for walkers, naturalists and open air enthusiasts. Come and see for yourself!
- Morecombe Bay** **C** Welcome to Morecombe - the resort that offers a superb choice of attractions for all ages. Easily accessible by rail, the resort has been a popular choice for visitors for many years. Morecombe is unique - not only does it provide an ideal holiday destination but it is an ideal base from which to visit the many attractions around the bay. Such attractions include Frontierland Western Theme Park, Bubbles Leisure Park, Megazone, Docket Park farm and Leighton Hall.
- Penrith** **G** Penrith lies in the hills with the spectacular Pennines nearby. Indulge yourself in sophisticated arcades and traditional markets, and don't forget to try the Penrith full buttercream ice-cream! There's a local history museum, castle, Bird of Prey Centre and Lowther Leisure Park.
- Carlisle** **H** Whether you choose to come to Carlisle for the day or for longer, you'll not be disappointed. Why not try a guided walk or tour and discover our intimate cathedral, splendid Norman castle, or even follow in the footsteps of the Romans at Birdoswald Roman Fort. If it's shopping you enjoy, then Carlisle ranks as the best shopping experience in the region with a pedestrianised city centre, undercover malls and indoor Victorian market.
- Windermere** **D** Windermere, England's largest lake, is set in the heart of the Lake District. There are many visitor attractions including the Brockhole National Park Visitor Centre. Try