

True/False

1 Read the sentences and put the steps to complete a True/False task (a–d) in the correct order (1–5).

- Find the part of the text where an answer is and read it carefully. Decide if the statement is true. ☐
- Read the text quickly to get the general idea. ☐
- Check all your answers and don't leave blanks. ☐
- If there is no information in the text to say a statement is true, mark it false. ☐
- Read the true or false statements. ☐

2 Complete the adjectives.

- determined to be successful, rich or famous
a.....-p.....
- a job where you earn a lot of money
w.....-p.....
- not letting anything stop you from doing what you want to
d.....
- known by many people
w.....-k.....
- intelligent and likely to do well
b.....

✓ Exam tip

Read the text quickly to get the general idea and then read the true or false sentences. Find the part of the text where the information comes from and read it carefully. If there is no information to prove a sentence is true, mark it false.

3 Read the text and decide if the statements are True (T) or False (F).

- Many women work at NASA. T / F
- Diana didn't move to the USA until she was a teenager. T / F
- She decided what to study after seeing photos of men working in space. T / F
- Diana's family paid for her university course. T / F
- Diana worked on creating part of the machine that went to Mars. T / F
- Over two million people have seen the show that Diana appeared on. T / F
- Diana's story proves that having a rich family helps you do well. T / F
- Diana thinks it is important for other females to work in science and engineering. T / F

Exploring space

Diana Trujillo arrived in the United States at 17 years old with only \$300 in her pocket. But she is now one of the few women working for NASA (the North American Space Agency), where she is the director of an engineering team that is exploring the planet Mars.



Diana was born in Colombia. She was always interested in science but she didn't know how she could get a job as a scientist because most scientists are men. Then her dad offered to send her to live with her aunt in Miami. She was bright and ambitious so she agreed and she got a place at university. She decided to study space engineering when she saw a magazine with photos of women astronauts, which made her think she could do it. It wasn't easy and she had to find work as a cleaner to pay for her studies. Sometimes she had to catch six buses to get to university. But Diana was hard-working and wanted to make the most of every opportunity. After finishing her studies, Diana got a job at NASA in 2007.

Diana is now leading the team that worked on the Mars rover, which is a machine that is exploring Mars. She helped design a special arm for the rover and she was responsible for landing it on Mars in 2021. The rover, called 'Perseverance', collects rocks from the planet. These rocks could help scientists find out if there is, or was, life there.

When Perseverance arrived on Mars, Diana spoke about what was happening during the first-ever NASA broadcast in Spanish. Over 2.5 million people have watched the show since then. She has become well-known around the world and hopes to travel into space herself one day.

Diana doesn't have a privileged background but she has shown you can succeed no matter where you come from. She is proud to represent her culture and she hopes to inspire other women to choose careers in science and engineering. She believes that if you are determined and passionate about doing something, you can find a way to do it.

4 Find words in the text that have these definitions.

- in control of a group (paragraph 1)
- chance (paragraph 2)
- a programme that can be TV, online or on the radio (paragraph 4)
- achieve something (paragraph 5)
- have strong feelings about (paragraph 5)

B1 Preliminary Part 5

1 What should you do when you finish a cloze activity? Choose two answers.

- 1 Nothing. You can relax because you don't need to do anything else. ☐
- 2 Make sure you haven't left any answers blank. ☐
- 3 Check the answers you're not sure about but don't worry about the other ones. ☐
- 4 Check your answers by reading the whole text with your answers in to see if it makes sense. ☐

2 Complete the sentences with the words in the box.

caring • confident • fit • flexible • hard-working • patient • sensitive • sociable

- 1 Sara is very She's always friendly and enjoys being with other people.

3 For each question, choose the correct answer.

- 2 Dan is a person. He can make changes and deal with situations that are changing.
- 3 Julia is very She does a lot of exercise.
- 4 My sister is a person. She doesn't get annoyed when she has to wait for a long time.
- 5 Jack's very He always puts a lot of effort into his homework.
- 6 Max is a person. He's kind and helpful to other people.
- 7 James is very He becomes upset quite easily.
- 8 Lara is very She believes in her own abilities and doesn't get frightened.

✓ Exam tip

When you finish a cloze activity, read the text again with your answers and check them. Make sure you don't leave any answers blank.

Working from home



In many jobs, it's now possible to work from home instead of going to an office. Some people might think this means you can sleep all day. But you still have to be (1) and put a lot of effort into your job. And (2) your work is disappointing, many employers are happy for their workers stay at home. There are a number of benefits for employees. You can be (3) and work when it's best for you, starting early or later. It can be healthier too, because if you have a bad (4), you don't pass it on. It's less stressful because you don't (5) to travel to work. You just (6) up at your desk and start!

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|--------------|-----------|----------------|-------------|
| 1 A sociable | B fit | C hard-working | D confident |
| 2 A if | B unless | C when | D why |
| 3 A flexible | B patient | C sensitive | D caring |
| 4 A scratch | B flu | C temperature | D cold |
| 5 A should | B can | C must | D have |
| 6 A work | B find | C come | D turn |