

BATERIA DE EXERCÍCIOS COMPLEMENTARES

3º Trimestre / 2018

Obs.: As atividades desta bateria contemplam o conteúdo do trimestre.

1. Read the text and choose the best answers.

BINGE DRINKING

Recently, there has been a sharp increase in binge drinking, which is causing a great deal of public concern. "Binge drinking" is what happens when people drink a large amount of alcohol in a short period of time, getting drunk and often getting out of control. In spite of the health risks, binge drinking is a growing problem, especially among the 18–30 age group. It first started to be an issue in the northern countries of Europe, but it has now spread to other countries, such as Spain, where the botellón is a common sight in many cities.

Binge drinking has many health risks. Heavy drinkers can wake up with extremely unpleasant hangovers the next morning, with headaches and nausea that can last all day. And the long term effects of binge drinking can be very serious. Excessive drinking can result in hospitalization or even death as a result of alcohol poisoning. What's more, some binge drinkers become alcoholics and it becomes extremely difficult for them to stop drinking. Alcoholism amongst young people is also becoming a bigger problem.

Alcohol can also affect people's decision making, judgement and memory, and can lead to violence and other antisocial behavior – late-night fights outside bars and clubs are common in many countries. In addition, drunk-driving is extremely dangerous and causes thousands of car accidents every year.

Despite the efforts of governments and the medical profession, however, the number of people who regularly go out and get drunk is rising. Some claim that drinking alcohol is a way of relaxing, or of feeling good quickly. Others drink because it makes them feel part of a group. But whether you are for or against drinking, the fact remains that after a certain point the negative arguments outweigh the positive ones. Binge drinking comes with some very bad side effects!

A. Binge drinking has...

- (A) been a very serious problem for a long time.
- (B) risen very gradually to become a big problem.
- (C) very rapidly grown in popularity.
- (D) been a problem in Spain for hundreds of years.
- (E) caused growing problems in the 18 – 30 age group.

B. Long term, the regular consumption of excess alcohol...

- (A) causes the heaviest drinkers to become interested in drugs, too.
- (B) may lead to addiction for some people.
- (C) usually causes people to go to the hospital.
- (D) can last all day.
- (E) causes unpleasant hangovers.

C. According to the text, what other problems can result from excess drinking?

- (A) It causes people to move to Spain.
- (B) It permanently damages your memory.
- (C) It makes antisocial people more dangerous.
- (D) It causes people to stop drinking.
- (E) It reduces your ability to make judgements.

D. Some people enjoy drinking...

- (A) because of its negative effects.
- (B) because they don't want to be part of the group.
- (C) because they are usually very relaxed.
- (D) because it helps them feel good.
- (E) because of the efforts of the government.

E. According to the writer, ...

- (A) most people enjoy drinking responsibly.
- (B) binge drinking has more disadvantages than advantages.
- (C) binge drinking has an equal number of advantages and disadvantages.
- (D) it's better to enjoy binge drinking at home.
- (E) binge drinking has many advantages and is good for society.

2. Write True or False, giving evidence from the text 1 for your answers.

- a) () Binge drinking is mainly a problem in northern Europe.
- b) () People who binge drink can feel very unwell the next day.
- c) () Alcohol can damage your ability to remember information.
- d) () Governments are not trying to do anything to help the situation.
- e) () There are an equal number of arguments for and against drinking.

3. Answer the following questions according to the information in the text 1. Use your own words.

- a) Why is the public concerned?
- b) What is "binge drinking"?
- c) Which age group most enjoys "binge drinking"?

4. State whether the following sentences are in the active voice or passive voice.

- a) I can hear somebody coming.
- b) Suddenly I heard a strange noise.
- c) She has been told.
- d) We have not heard anything from them.
- e) The suspects were interrogated by the police.
- f) You needn't have woken me up.
- g) The students were praised by the teacher.

5. Fill in the blanks to change each active voice sentence into a passive voice sentence:

EX: Henry Miller wrote that book. --> That book was written by Henry Miller.

- a) The president gave John an award. --> John _____ an award by the president.
- b) Everyone saw them. --> They _____ by everyone.
- c) The police brought him here. --> He _____ here by the police.
- d) The firefighters saved the women. --> The women _____ by the firefighters.
- e) All the students understood the explanation. --> The explanation _____ by all the students.
- f) Mrs. Richardson filed two complaints. --> Two complaints _____ by Mrs. Richardson.
- g) That man stole my wallet. --> My wallet _____ by that man.
- h) Everyone knew them. --> They _____ by everyone.
- i) A snake bit him. --> He _____ by a snake.
- j) Thomas and his brother built that house. --> That house _____ by Thomas and his brother.

6. Write what Sarah said, making the necessary changes. (Reported Speech)

- a) « I'm living in New York. » She said...
- b) « My mother isn't very well. » She said...
- c) « Janet and Paul are going to visit Italy next month. » She said...
- d) « My brother had an accident. » She said...
- e) « I haven't seen Diana last night. » She said...
- f) « Jack and Jill were waiting for the bus. » She said...
- g) « I don't drink coffee anymore. » She said...
- h) « Tom can speak Japanese. » She said

7. Choose the best response:

A. "She will visit us next week." She told me that she _____ next week.

- (A) would visit us
- (B) will visit us
- (C) visits us
- (D) won't visit

B. "I talk to my brother every day." He told me that he _____ to his brother.

- (A) was talking
- (B) talked
- (C) is talking
- (D) will talk

C. "My friend will help me study." She told me that her friend _____ her study.

- (A) will help
- (B) helps
- (C) would help
- (D) won't help

D. "Mary is living in Miami." My friend told me that Mary _____ in Miami.

- (A) lives
- (B) was living
- (C) is living
- (D) are living

E. "I have seen that movie." She told me that she _____ that movie.

- (A) had seen
- (B) has seen
- (C) saw
- (D) hasn't seen

F. "I will be in Paris next week." I told him that I _____ in Paris next week.

- (A) will be
- (B) would be
- (C) am
- (D) won't be

G. "Turn off the light!" He asked me _____ the light.

- (A) to turned off
- (B) turn off
- (C) to turn off
- (D) turned off

H. "I am a good dancer." She told me that she _____ a good dancer.

- (A) is
- (B) was
- (C) will be
- (D) were

I. "I have been to that bar." He told me that he _____ to that bar.

- (A) had been
- (B) will have been
- (C) is being
- (D) are being

J. "I am writing an email to my girlfriend." He told me that he _____ an email to his girlfriend.

- (A) is writing
- (B) was writing
- (C) writes
- (D) were writing

