

SKILLS TEST 12

Standard

READING

1 Read the article. Complete the sentences with one word on each line.

In 2010, a British man named Ed Stafford decided to walk from the start of the Amazon River to the end. From the Pacific Ocean to the Atlantic Ocean. He started in Peru, walked through Colombia, and finished in Brazil. He didn't do it alone. For most of the journey, he was with a Peruvian named Cho Rivera Sanchez. In total, they

walked for 860 days, more than two years! Ed thinks he walked around nine million steps, and mosquitoes bit him thousands of times. They couldn't really follow a map because the river changes position a lot.

They walked through jungle, across canyons, up mountains, and through water. It was very dangerous because of the river

and wild animals like jaguars and snakes, such as vipers. They didn't always speak the language of the people they met, and they didn't always have enough food. Some people were very kind, but others were less friendly. The trip was a success, and they finally jumped into the ocean at a beach in Brazil at the end of a very long journey.

- 0 Stafford walked from the Pacific Ocean to the *Atlantic*.
- 1 Stafford started in _____.
- 2 Stafford didn't do it _____.
- 3 In total, Stafford and Sanchez _____ for 860 days.
- 4 _____ bit Stafford thousands of times.
- 5 It was dangerous because of the river and wild animals like jaguars and _____.
- 6 Some people were very kind, but others were less _____.
- 7 Stafford and Sanchez _____ into the ocean at a beach in Brazil.

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2 Read the article again. Mark the sentences T (true), F (false), or DS (doesn't say).

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| 0 Ed Stafford is from the UK. | <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 40px; height: 20px; display: flex; align-items: center; justify-content: center;">T</div> | 5 They were both sick. | <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 40px; height: 20px;"></div> |
| 1 They walked through three countries. | <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 40px; height: 20px;"></div> | 6 They always had enough food. | <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 40px; height: 20px;"></div> |
| 2 He was a soldier. | <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 40px; height: 20px;"></div> | 7 Everyone they met was friendly. | <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 40px; height: 20px;"></div> |
| 3 Cho Rivera Sanchez is from Brazil. | <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 40px; height: 20px;"></div> | 8 They finished at the Atlantic Ocean. | <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 40px; height: 20px;"></div> |
| 4 Ed probably walked around 9,000,000 steps. | <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 40px; height: 20px;"></div> | | |

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LISTENING

3  Listen to two teenagers talking about vacations. Check [✓] the seven things they talk about.

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| 1 where they went on vacation | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2 transportation | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3 who they were with | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 4 getting sick on vacation | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 5 animals | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 6 what they ate | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 7 shopping | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 8 where they slept | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 9 watching TV | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 10 the weather | <input type="checkbox"/> |

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4  Listen again and complete each sentence with one word.

- 0 The boy went to *Brazil* on vacation.
- 1 The girl was at _____ on vacation.
- 2 The boy was on a plane for _____ hours.
- 3 The girl's vacation was a lot _____ than the boy's.
- 4 The boy saw _____ and jaguars.
- 5 The girl saw horses, sheep, and _____.
- 6 The boy ate at _____.
- 7 The girl ate chicken cooked on a _____.
- 8 In Brazil, it was _____ every day.

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WRITING

5 Write a description (about 30 words) of a trip you have made. Use the information below.

- When?
- Where?
- How long?
- Who with?
- How?
- Why?

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SPEAKING

6 In pairs, answer the questions and make notes.

- When was your last vacation?
- Where did you go?
- Who did you go with?
- What did you see?
- What did you eat?
- Would you like to do it again?

Now work in pairs and talk about your last vacation. Use your notes and words like *first, then, after that, later, finally, etc.*

7 Work in pairs. You are at a train station. Student A works in the ticket office; Student B is a customer. Use the information below to ask and answer questions.

Student A

Next train to San Francisco: 3:25 p.m.

Arrives in San Francisco: 5:12 p.m.

One-way: \$25

Round-trip: \$38

Platform 4B

Student B

when / next train / San Francisco? what time / arrive?

how much / one-way? how much / round-trip? what platform / leave?

Phrases

*How can I help you?**Do you want a one-way ticket or a round-trip ticket? That's \$25, please.**Have a good trip.*

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TOTAL SCORE

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