

Task 6

S1

- Read the text and fill the gaps with one of the following words: article, preposition, conjunction or relative pronoun. Note that in each space you should insert only ONE word.

Queen Elizabeth ruled England _____(1) Shakespeare's times. The Queen had an adviser called Bacon. Bacon _____(2) famous throughout Europe _____(3) his great intellect and learning. He also came _____(4) an important aristocratic family. In many of his plays Shakespeare describes the lives of aristocracy _____(5) the court. It's difficult to explain _____(6) Shakespeare knew about all this. Can it _____(7) possible that Bacon was using Shakespeare's name? The question is: Why would Bacon hide himself? Why would he not show his name? It was a time of great political uncertainty and people _____(8) killed _____(9) their views and ideas. So it is possible _____(10) Bacon used Shakespeare as a kind of mask, behind which he could express and promote his ideas without fear of being punished.

S1:

Answers:

1. in

2. was

3. for

4. from

5. and / or

6. how

7. be

8. were

9. for

10. that

Task 6.

S2

- Read the text and fill the gaps with one of the following words: article, preposition, conjunction or relative pronoun. Note that in each space you should insert only ONE word.

Hughes was born in Texas _____ (1) 24 September, 1905, in a wealthy family. His father became rich through his highly successful Hughes Tool Company. Young Howard inherited his father's wealth just as he entered university. Due _____ (2) his wealth, Howard Hughes was able to invest money in anything he wished.

So, after dropping _____ (3) of university, he moved to Hollywood _____ (4) he bought a studio and began making films. His first films were all financial successes. He even won _____ (5) Academy Award for directing *Two Arabian Nights*. Spending nearly four million dollars of his own money, Hughes wrote _____ (6) directed the film *Hell's Angels* and, a year later, wrote and directed *Scarface*. Both of these films became movie classics, though the latter was nearly forbidden because of its violence.

Besides working in the film industry, Hughes had a strong interest in aviation and he began to be preoccupied with the idea of flying. He broke several world flying records, including _____ (7) trip _____ (8) New York _____ (9) California and a round-the-world flight which he completed in four days. Some believe that he in fact advanced aviation _____ (10) fifty or more years with his ideas on how to make planes bigger, lighter and especially more aerodynamic. In 1932, he created the Hughes Aircraft Company and in 1934 he built and personally test-piloted the world's most advanced plane, the H-1. He also set a new air-speed record, taking the plane to 352 kilometres per hour.

S2:

answers:

1. on

2. to

3. out

4. where

5. an

6. and

7. a

8. from

9. to

10. by