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Englisch

Serie: A₁

Dauer: 30 Minuten

Hilfsmittel: keine

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Vorname: _____

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Maximal erreichbare Punktzahl:	50	Punkte	Ergebnis	
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- Textproduktion	15	Punkte	Punkte
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Prüfungsnote (auf halbe Noten gerundet)

Die Expertin / der Experte:

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TASK 1 READING

‘Overtourism’ and the curse of the cruise ships

Known as the “Pearl of the Adriatic”, Dubrovnik has become one of the biggest tourist attractions in the Mediterranean. It’s an old town, but the success of Game of Thrones has made it a particularly popular stop-off point for cruise ships.

Last year around three million visitors came to the old town, most of them from the around 400 cruise ships docked in the harbour. Critics say they are causing long-term damage to historical sites, but 80% of the locals are dependent on tourist traffic and some are hesitant to address the problems.

There is troubling evidence, however, of the negative effect the guests are having on the kind of city Dubrovnik will be. Where once there were bookshops, bakeries, butchers, hair salons and markets, now there are tacky souvenir shops and stalls for tourists. The boats themselves also burn huge amounts of fossil fuel, creating water, air and noise pollution that severely affect the environment.

As many city residents think that tourism has become overtourism, the mayor¹ has decided to introduce tighter controls: during mornings just two ships can dock and after midday only a third. Next year a limit of 4,000 daily visitors will be allowed on land, and in two years each will face a €2 tax. Another proposal is for ships – which leave their motors running – to be forced to draw their energy supplies from the Croatian mainland instead. The mayor’s argument is that the city should at least benefit financially from the presence of the ships. Environmentalists note that the agreement won’t stop the ships from running the motors or address the ecological damage. There is also no detail about how these measures will be applied, or how to ensure cruise ship operators follow the rules.

Meanwhile, in neighbouring Montenegro, another small city is facing a similar problem to Dubrovnik. About two and a half hours along the coast, the tiny city of Kotor often has three huge ships docked in port, each staying for an average of 12 hours. Kotor is even more at risk than Dubrovnik because Montenegro is outside the EU, so EU laws don’t apply. In a country where the average salary is around €453 a month, however, there is little appetite for any major restrictions on tourists, who spend an average of around €40 a day. In Kotor, at least, most locals think that the cruise ships are unlikely to go away.

adapted from an article on: <https://www.theguardian.com/business/2019/sep/16/a-rising-tide-overtourism-and-the-curse-of-the-cruise-ships>

¹ mayor n. = Bürgermeister

TASK 1a

- Read the text and then decide if the following statements are **True (T)** or **False (F)**.
- If there is not enough information to answer **True** or **False**, choose **Doesn't say (DS)**.

Example:

Text: Sarah is in her twenties. T **F** DS
 Statement: Sarah is 18 years old.

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| 1. Game of Thrones is one of the reasons why Dubrovnik has become a popular stop-off for cruise ships in the Mediterranean. | T | F | DS |
| 2. Over half of the population in Dubrovnik live off tourism. | T | F | DS |
| 3. Souvenir shops and stalls are replaced by bookshops, bakeries, butchers, hair salons and markets. | T | F | DS |
| 4. The boats have a negative influence on the environment. | T | F | DS |
| 5. The number of visitors allowed on land will be restricted next year. | T | F | DS |
| 6. Environmentalists fear that ships will probably continue to damage the ecosystem. | T | F | DS |
| 7. In Kotor and Dubrovnik large ships dock regularly throughout the year. | T | F | DS |
| 8. According to the article, Kotor must follow the rules set by the EU. | T | F | DS |
| 9. People living in Kotor want more restrictions on tourists. | T | F | DS |
| 10. Most residents of Kotor think that there will be more tourists in the future. | T | F | DS |

Points: ____/10

TASK 1b

- Read the text and match each synonym listed below with one of the underlined words from the text.
- If the word you need is a verb write the **infinitive** of the verb, if it is a plural noun, write the **singular** of the noun.

Example:

The king was very popular.
 Synonym: widely liked Word in text: popular

- | <u>Synonym:</u> | <u>Word in text:</u> |
|------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. cheap and tasteless | _____ |
| 2. to create | to _____ |
| 3. big | _____ |
| 4. to get | to _____ |
| 5. local, inhabitant | _____ |

Points: ____/5



TASK 2 WRITING

**Write about a person you look up to. Who is it and what do you like about that person?
Write a short text of about 60 words.**

Content: ____/3

Vocabulary: ____/6

Grammar: ____/6

Points: ____/15

TASK 3

Complete the text with the correct form of the word(s) in brackets or with a suitable word/phrase if no word is given.

Example: *I haven't met any (some) of my friends yet.*

1. If you mix blue and yellow, you _____ green.
2. Your shoes are not as nice _____ my shoes.
3. You've seen Luca Hänni live in concert, _____ you?
4. Our English car is excellent. It runs very _____ (good).
5. The pressure to study hard _____ (increase) since I started my senior year at high school.
6. My uncle lives in Kosovo. I haven't seen him _____ a long time.
7. Last week while I _____ (do) homework on my computer, there was a power failure. Everything went dark.
8. Fishing is my hobby. Last week I caught ten _____ (fish).
9. While I was working at the chemist's, my mother _____ (visit) me a lot.
10. Sarah is very proud of her beautiful new car and gives all her friends a detailed _____ (describe) of the vehicle.

Points: _____/10

TASK 4

Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence. The words need not be the same.

Example:

0. *A panther is faster than a tortoise.*
A tortoise is not as fast as a panther.

1. This is my e-scooter.
This e-scooter is _____.
2. How about visiting Grandpa in hospital?
_____ we visit Grandpa in hospital?
3. Unless there is more sunshine, our fruit will not ripen.
If there _____ more sunshine, our fruit will not ripen.
4. Teaching IT is quite challenging for some teachers.
For some teachers teaching IT is quite a _____.
5. John's marks are not as good as Anna's.
John's marks are _____ than Anna's.
6. They grow the biggest pumpkins in Belgium.
The biggest pumpkins _____ in Belgium.
7. It is not necessary to sign all the forms.
You don't _____ sign all the forms.
8. We have just decided to watch the match tonight.
Tonight we _____ watch the match.
9. Halfway through the flight to Singapore, I suddenly felt sick.
While we _____ to Singapore, I suddenly felt sick.
10. From time to time I go out jogging.
I _____ go out jogging.

Points: ____/10