

I. READING

Lion Lights

As night falls on the plains of Kenya, a group of Maasai tribesmen pick up their spears and go to sit near their cattle. Their job is to protect the cattle from the Maasai's greatest enemy; the lion. However, thanks to one boy's clever invention, this nightly task is slowly becoming a thing of the past.

Richard Turere is a 13-year-old Maasai boy who grew up helping his father take care of their cattle. "We depend on our cattle to survive. They give us milk and meat, but the lions used to come at night and feed on them," explains Richard. However, one night when Richard was watching over the cattle, he noticed that the lions were staying far away from him. Richard was holding a torch and it seemed like the lions were scared of the moving light.

The next day, Richard started work on an invention. First, he installed bulbs in a circle around his family's land. Then, he connected these bulbs to a special car battery. This battery could charge itself during the day with a solar panel. Richard made the bulbs flicker on and off at night to trick the lions into thinking that somebody was holding a torch.

Since Richard installed his 'lion lights' two years ago, his family hasn't lost any cattle because of lion attacks. In fact, his invention was such a success that many other Maasai families came to ask him to build lion lights around their land. Today, around 75 of these systems have been installed around Kenya.

Richard's invention isn't just helping the Maasai; it's also helping the lions. The Kenya Wildlife Service estimates that there are just 2,000 lions left in the country. 15 years ago, there were around 15,000. One of the main reasons why lions throughout Africa have become endangered is because locals kill them to protect their livestock. Thanks to Richard's invention, in Kenya at least, this is no longer necessary. The lion lights are allowing man and beast to live in peace.

As well as becoming famous in his own community, Richard has earned praise around the world. He even gave a speech about his invention to a conference in California, USA. Also, he won a scholarship to one of Kenya's top schools. "One day I want to be a pilot!" says Richard. Clearly, this incredible boy has a very bright future.

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1. In the introduction the writer says that

- ☐ A) the Maasai are the lion's enemies.
- ☐ B) the Maasai have developed survival skills.
- ☐ C) lions pose a serious threat to the Maasai.
- ☐ D) the Maasai kill lions at night.

2. Before Richard's invention, the Maasai had to every night.

- ☐ A) guard their livestock against lion attacks
- ☐ B) feed their cattle
- ☐ C) hunt wild cats for their claws
- ☐ D) feed lions with spears

3. The power for Richard's invention comes from

- ☐ A) a wind.
- ☐ B) a torch.
- ☐ C) a car engine.
- ☐ D) the sun.

4. Richard's invention is important because

- ☐ A) both the lions and the people are safe from attacks.
- ☐ B) both people and wild animals can live in harmony.
- ☐ C) the lions are allowed to feed on cattle.
- ☐ D) the Maasai don't worry about their lives.

5. After he invented the lion lights, Richard

- ☐ A) received a scholarship from the University of California.
- ☐ B) changed schools.
- ☐ C) moved to the USA.
- ☐ D) became a pilot.

6. The bulbs in Richard's invention flicker because

- ☐ A) they use less energy than.
- ☐ B) there isn't any sunlight at night.
- ☐ C) they are installed in a circle.
- ☐ D) the lions are scared of moving lights.

7. There are not many lions in Kenya today because

- ☐ A) there isn't enough food.
- ☐ B) they don't like the Maasai livestock.
- ☐ C) the locals killed them to protect their cattle.
- ☐ D) they are frightened of Richard's invention.

II. COMMUNICATION

8. A: Excuse me, can you change a £50 note for me?

B:

- ☐ A) Here's your change.
- ☐ B) Do you have any change?
- ☐ C) Yes, certainly.
- ☐ D) That's £50 altogether.

9. A: I've lost my camera.

B:

- ☐ A) Poor you!
- ☐ B) Sound great!
- ☐ C) Sure, when exactly?
- ☐ D) It's your turn now.

10. A:

B: If I were you, I'd talk to him.

- ☐ A) Have you been to Mike's party?
- ☐ B) What should I do about Mike?
- ☐ C) Have you thought of talking to Mike?
- ☐ D) Were you with Mike yesterday?

11. A: What shall we get Monica for her birthday?

B:

- ☐ A) It's not my birthday today.
☐ Б) When were your birthday?
☐ В) It was at her birthday party.
☐ Г) Why don't we buy her a rocking horse?

12. A: Shall I help you, Samantha?

B:

- ☐ A) I'm afraid, I can't help.
☐ Б) Everything is under control.
☐ В) Never mind, it doesn't matter.
☐ Г) Help yourself!

III. VOCABULARY

13. You can a ball with your foot.

- ☐ A) throw ☐ Б) draw
☐ В) kick ☐ Г) beat

14. A few thousand people took in the last demonstration.

- ☐ A) part ☐ Б) place
☐ В) step ☐ Г) role

15. A: Could you lend me twenty pounds?

B: I'm sorry I'm of money myself.

- ☐ A) low ☐ Б) small
☐ В) cheap ☐ Г) short

16. Your problem might depend on the engine you are using.

- ☐ A) download ☐ Б) search
☐ В) browsing ☐ Г) floppy

17. A represents people with legal problems.

- ☐ A) lawyer ☐ Б) welder
☐ В) stockbroker ☐ Г) bricklayer

18. Lucy is She often promises to do things but she usually forgets.

- ☐ A) unfriendly ☐ Б) flexible
☐ В) unreliable ☐ Г) sensitive

19. We read a of Cameron's latest film. It doesn't sound very good.

- ☐ A) headline ☐ Б) review
☐ В) subtitle ☐ Г) report

20. Our water is heated by energy.

- ☐ A) tropical ☐ Б) waste
☐ В) wild ☐ Г) solar

IV. GRAMMAR

21. Let's go bowling,?

- ☐ A) shall we ☐ Б) do you
☐ В) will we ☐ Г) have you

22. After Cindy dressed, she went to school.

- ☐ A) had got
☐ Б) has got
☐ В) used to get
☐ Г) has been getting

23. Lucy apologized to me for so rude.

- ☐ A) to be ☐ Б) been
☐ В) being ☐ Г) be

24. 'Don't go near the fireplace.' Tom said to us. Tom

- ☐ A) asked us don't go near the fireplace.
☐ Б) told us not to go near the fireplace.
☐ В) told us to not go near the fireplace.
☐ Г) said us not to go near the fireplace.

25. I'd rather you at home this evening.

- ☐ A) stay ☐ Б) have stayed
☐ В) will stay ☐ Г) stayed

26. Jackie Kennedy was beautiful and glamorous lady that the whole America loved her.

- ☐ A) such a ☐ Б) such
☐ В) so a ☐ Г) so

27. I saw a young man walking me smiling, but I didn't recognize him.

- ☐ A) through ☐ Б) across
☐ В) towards ☐ Г) into

28. I wish I up some more money last year.

- ☐ A) had saved ☐ Б) would save
☐ В) have saved ☐ Г) saved

29. I'm really sorry – I forgot your letter.

- ☐ A) posting ☐ Б) to post
☐ В) post ☐ Г) to posting

30. When it started raining, we football for nearly an hour.

- ☐ A) have been playing
☐ Б) were playing
☐ В) played
☐ Г) had been playing