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English test

Spelling – The Circus

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Remember

- Your teacher will read the spelling passage to you.
- Your version of the passage has words missing. You should fill these in when your teacher tells you.

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| Spelling test | |
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| Number of correct words | Marks |
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The Circus

Many people are very interested in circuses and circus schools nowadays, but circuses are not new. They _____
 in Britain many years ago. In the early years the most
 _____ attractions were the tricks performed on
 horseback.

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Later, international circuses _____ acts from
 around the world to _____ and villages across
 Britain. _____ also allowed a
 _____ range of people to see the circus.

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Although fewer people have visited the circus in
 _____ years, circuses are still successful.

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International touring circuses, including the Chinese State Circus, the Moscow State Circus and Circus Oz, regularly visit Britain. The Chinese State Circus includes

_____ balancing acts and plate



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_____. The Moscow State Circus has a



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varied programme of traditional skills. Circus Oz, the

Australian circus, is slightly different and some performers

play musical _____ while juggling!



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In another act, a man is _____ inside a huge



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hamster wheel.

Circuses have certainly _____ over the years



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but they are always _____ to see, even if



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some _____ appear to be dangerous.



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These include juggling with pretend _____ and



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the famous trick involving a magician sawing a woman in

half!

Acknowledgements

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