

Zadanie 5. (0-5)

Przeczytaj tekst, z którego usunięto pięć fragmentów. Wpisz w każdą lukę (5.1.-5.5.) literę, którą oznaczono brakujący fragment (A-F), tak aby otrzymać spójny i logiczny tekst.

Uwaga: jeden fragment został podany dodatkowo i nie pasuje do żadnej luki.

BURIED TREASURE FOUND WHILE WALKING THE DOG

Next time you are out walking your dog, be sure to keep your eyes on the ground, for you never know what treasures you might find.

A couple, who have chosen to remain anonymous, were once walking their dog on a path near their ranch, situated in Northern California. 5.1. They were curious, so they went closer to find out more. Seeing that it was intact, they pulled it out of the ground with a stick and took it home to look inside. 5.2. This time, however, they took a shovel with them, hoping to find more cans. They were not disappointed – they had soon found one more. 5.3. However, it was not the last one to be discovered, and they had soon unearthed six more cans. To locate the last one, they used a metal detector.

The couple have since been working with coin experts to find out the value of the remarkable treasure. The find, called the 'Saddle Ridge Hoard', is made up of 1.400 \$20 gold pieces, fifty \$10 gold pieces and four \$5 gold pieces. All the coins were struck between 1847 and 1894. Judging from the dates on the coins and the condition of the metal cans the coins were hidden in, experts believe that the treasure was buried some time at the end of the 19th century, soon after California's Gold Rush had peaked. 5.4. For some reason, which we shall probably never find out, that person never returned to retrieve them.

Before this discovery, the most valuable treasure to have been found in the USA was in Jackson, Tennessee. When it was found in 1985, its value was estimated at a whopping \$1 million. The value of the gold coins unearthed in California is considerably more. 5.5. The reason is that the coins are in mint condition. While the couple who made the discovery do not intend to get rid of the whole collection, they are going to sell a few of the coins to help pay off their mortgage and to give a bit of money to members of their family.

- A. When they opened it and saw some old gold coins, they realised they had stumbled across some treasure, so they immediately returned to the site.
- B. Numismatic experts claim the treasure could not be worth as much as had previously been estimated.
- C. However, this time the daily dog walk was far from ordinary, which is thanks to the rusty can they noticed sticking out of the ground.
- D. Although the face value of the coins is around \$27,000, their market value is around \$10 million.
- E. This can was in a worse condition than the previous one as it was badly rusted, so they needed more time to find its precious contents.
- F. Another expert believes that the first can, which was partially sticking out of the ground, had been left in such a way by the treasure's original owner in order to mark the place where the remaining cans had been hidden.