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QUESTIONS

Write your answers in the spaces provided.

Look at Paragraphs 1 and 2.

1. "It is a Wednesday night in Glasgow." (Paragraph 1)
Why do you think the writer begins the article with this information?

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2. Comment on the writer's use of **word choice** to show the agility of the "athletic youths".

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3. "... unorthodox piece of urban theatre" (Paragraph 2)
In your own words, explain what this means.

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Look at Paragraphs 3 and 4.

4. **Using your own words as far as possible**, give **three** reasons why parkour appeals to Glynn Forsythe.

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5. "... a walkway snaking into the distance." (Paragraph 3)
Identify the technique used in this expression and explain why it is appropriate.

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6. "... to overcome ever-greater barriers." (Paragraph 4)
 How does the writer develop this idea in the rest of the paragraph?

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Look at Paragraphs 5 to 8.

7. **In your own words**, explain the impact of the trailer *Rush Hour*.

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8. (a) What evidence is there in Paragraphs 6 and 7 of the growing popularity of parkour?

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(b) **In your own words**, explain fully why people enjoy taking part in parkour.

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9. "Therein lies the problem, though." (Paragraph 8)
 Explain how this sentence acts as a link between Paragraphs 7 and 8.

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10. "... a catalyst for its growth ... " (Paragraph 8)
In your own words, explain what "catalyst" means in this expression.

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11. Using your own words as far as possible, explain the **two** different views of parkour outlined in Paragraph 8.

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Look at Paragraphs 10 to 13.

12. Chris Grant describes *Jump Britain* as “the best thing and the worst thing” to happen to parkour. (Paragraph 10)

In your own words explain:

(a) why it was “the best thing”?

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(b) why it was “the worst thing”?

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13. What do “Glasgow’s serious traceurs” (Paragraph 12) aim to achieve? Explain **one** way in which they hope to achieve their aim.

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14. Which description best sums up the writer’s reaction, as he watches the traceurs train? Tick (✓) **one** box.

Concerned, in case they injure themselves.	
Jealous, because they are so talented.	
Admiring, because they show skill and care.	
Dismissive, because it is a worthless activity.	

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15. From Paragraph 13, describe **two** ways in which parkour could help society.

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Look at Paragraphs 14 and 15.

16. What evidence is there of the success of both Chris Grant’s adult **and** school classes?

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17. Comment on the writer’s use of the word “innocuous” to describe the wooden posts in Paragraph 15.

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18. “. . . poised like trapeze artists . . .” (Paragraph 15)

Identify the technique used in this expression and explain why it is appropriate.

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19. “The main problem for us is bureaucracy.” (Paragraph 15)

Show how the context helps you understand the meaning of “bureaucracy”.

Meaning _____

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Look at Paragraph 16 to the end of the passage.

20. How does the writer illustrate “the demographic make-up of the group”? (Paragraph 16)

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21. Why do you think the writer includes the interview with Angie Rupp?

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22. **In your own words**, explain **one** way that parkour can have a wider impact on life, according to Angie Rupp.

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Think about the passage as a whole.

23. Tick (✓) the box beside the statement which you think best sums up what parkour is all about.

Pushing yourself mentally and physically.	
Allowing anyone to achieve great things.	
Being an individual is important in modern society.	

By referring closely to the passage, give **two** pieces of evidence to support the choice you have made.

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