

Read the text and the sentences which follow it. Tick  $(\checkmark)$  the correct sentence ending according to the information in the text. There is an example (0) at the beginning.

#### The Great Trail of Canada

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After Canada's 125th birthday in 1992, its people wanted a way to celebrate their country – mostly a large wilderness over twice as big as Europe and stretching across six time zones. The government decided to link up all existing nature pathways and historical routes to create a Trans-Canada Trail, as a sustainable gift for future generations. This network of recreational trails – the longest in the world - is to be an inspiration for Canada's people and its visitors to actively explore and learn about the country. Opened in August 2017 and renamed "The Great Trail of Canada", it now connects not only all ten provinces and the three territories but also all the nation's people.

With a length of 27,000 km, it offers access to all of Canada's varied landscapes. But this remarkable network is not only for hikers. There are also sections for cyclists, canoeists, and horse riders. In winter parts of the trail may also be used by cross-country skiers and snowmobilers. Around a quarter of its length runs along rivers or one of the large Canadian lakes. Some people are critical that around 9,000 km are alongside roads or highways where traffic noise and the danger of collisions are a problem.

The main route follows Canada's southern border. It connects the major cities where most of the population lives. In fact, 80 percent of all Canadians live within 30 minutes of the trail. It starts in Newfoundland on the Atlantic and, after a journey of about 8,000 km, it reaches the Pacific at Vancouver Island. This epic trip takes at least 250 days of walking - also called through-hiking. Several people have completed it. As Mark Sunderland, a through-hiker, explained: "It sure was no walk in the park but it really helped me to tune into my inner frequency and connect with the environment that was around me."

Accommodation along the various trails sometimes consists of small huts or pavilions. The huge length of the trail system means that there are large sections where shelters haven't been built yet. Most of these sections can be found near the cities. So it is necessary to bring a tent and your own food if you want to enjoy the wilderness away from civilization.

The remoteness causes its own problems, so careful planning could be life saving. Help from outside is difficult as there is no mobile-phone network along large stretches of the trails. Getting away from it all is, of course, part of the attraction. Trail users have bumped into grizzly and, in the far north, even polar bears. But it's mosquitoes and black flies which are the greater irritation. Hikers should also prepare for extreme weather, like snow and high winds. If you can overcome all these challenges, the reward will be an experience of a natural wilderness that you will never forget.

(0) The Great Trail of Canada	
a) was a present to the Canadian people	. =
b) is mainly used by tourists.	
c) connects some parts of Canada.	
d) will only exist for a short time.	
(1) As a hiker	
a) you don't have to watch out for cars.	
b) you can't use the trail in winter.	
c) you can use large parts of the trail.	
d) you have to bring a canoe.	
(2) The main route	
a) is walked by many Canadians.	
b) doesn't come near cities.	
c) crosses the international border.	
d) connects two oceans.	
(3) Through-hikers	
a) take several months to complete the re	oute.
b) get disconnected from the environmer	nt.
c) think the hike is relatively easy to do.	
d) have to bring their own radio to tune in	nto.
(4) Accommodation along the trails	
a) is only possible near cities.	
b) varies in comfort and style.	
c) has been provided everywhere.	
d) also has its own restaurants.	
(5) Hikers	
a) can rely on emergency help.	
b) can encounter dangerous animals.	
c) are always near civilization.	
d) don't have to consider emergencies.	

# Lösungen

(1) c) (2) d) (3) a) (4) b) (5) b)

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