OPEN CLOZE EX. 3

Read the text and think of ONE word that fits into each blank.

TEATIME

Tea is one of the world's (1) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ popular beverages. According to a legend, it originated in China thousands of years (2) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, when leaves from a tea bush fell (3) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ a hot water pot of the Chinese emperor. At first, only wealthy British families (4) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ able to afford drinking tea, which was brought from India by merchants and traders. Some people even locked it up to prevent it from (5) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ stolen. There are many ways to drink tea. (6) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ most people just drink their tea pure, others add milk or a lemon. The most common forms are black and green tea. Vanilla or fruit flavoring (7) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ often added to tea to give it a special taste. (8) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ people brew their tea in convenient tea bags, others pour boiling water over crushed tea leaves. Tea drinking has a long tradition in Britain. (9) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Briton drinks about 5 cups of tea per day, or about 1,700 cups a year – the largest (10) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_capita consumption in the world. Traditional afternoon teatime goes (11) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to the 19th century. Many families celebrate this custom in an exclusive way, with expensive china and silver spoons. Tea has a stimulating effect (12) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ your body, because it contains (13) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ caffeine than coffee. It is great for those who are afraid of putting on too (14) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ weight as it has only 4 calories per cup.