

ENGLISH PRACTICE 29

PART II. PHONETICS

I. Pick out the word whose underlined part is pronounced differently from those of the other words.

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| 1. A. <u>latter</u> | B. <u>label</u> | C. <u>ladder</u> | D. <u>latitude</u> |
| 2. A. <u>pour</u> | B. <u>roar</u> | C. <u>flour</u> | D. <u>soar</u> |
| 3. A. <u>chase</u> | B. <u>purchase</u> | C. <u>bookcase</u> | D. <u>suitcase</u> |
| 4. A. <u>thread</u> | B. <u>feather</u> | C. <u>bread</u> | D. <u>bead</u> |
| 5. A. <u>prepare</u> | B. <u>preface</u> | C. <u>preparation</u> | D. <u>prejudice</u> |

II. Choose the word whose stress pattern is differently from those of the other words.

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| 1. A. amphibian | B. champagne | C. cathedral | D. creature |
| 2. A. accommodation | B. antibiotic | C. counterclockwise | D. deforestation |
| 3. A. consciousness | B. ecotourism | C. biosphere | D. confirm |
| 4. A. architectural | B. cosmopolitan | C. appreciative | D. archeologist |
| 5. A. consolidate | B. context | C. conference | D. confidence |

PART III. LEXICO-GRAMMAR

I. Read the sentences carefully and choose the best answers to make complete ones.

- From 1949 onward, the artist Georgia O'keeffe made New Mexico _____.
A. her permanent residence was B. where her permanent residence
C. permanent residence for her D. her permanent residence
- Just as remote-controlled satellites can be employed to explore outer space, _____ employed to investigate the deep sea.
A. can be robots B. robots can be C. can robots D. can robots that are
- _____ is not clear to researchers.
A. Why dinosaurs having become extinct. B. Why dinosaurs became extinct
C. Did dinosaurs become extinct D. Dinosaurs became extinct
- The first transatlantic telephone cable system was not established _____ 1956.
A. while B. until C. on D. when
- Drinking water _____ excessive amounts of fluorides may leave a stained or mottled effect on the enamel of teeth.
A. containing B. in which containing C. contains D. that contain
- In the 1820's physical education became _____ of the curriculum of Harvard and Yale Universities.
A. to be part B. which was part C. was part D. part
- If you can win his attention _____ for you.
A. the so much better B. the better so much C. so much the better D. so the much better
- The President resigned; the whiff of scandal remained _____.
A. otherwise B. therefore C. immediately D. nevertheless
- Which _____ agency do you work for?
A. ads B. advertised C. advertising D. advertisement
- Van Gogh suffered from depression _____ by overwork and ill-health.
A. brought on B. coming about C. taken up D. put through

II. Each sentence below contains 1 mistake. IDENTIFY the mistakes and WRITE THEIR CORRECT FORMS.

- Had the committee members considered the alternatives more carefully, they would have realized that the second was superior than the first.
- Malnutrition is a major cause of death in those countries where the cultivation of rice have been impeded by recurrent drought.
- Because the residents had worked so diligent to renovate the old building, the manager had a party.
- John's wisdom teeth were troubling him, so he went to a dental surgeon to see about having them pull.

5. Time spends very slowly when you are waiting for a bus to arrive.
6. Judy decided to wait until after she had taken her exams before having her wisdom teeth pull.
7. Hardly the plane had landed when Adam realized that he had left the file that he needed at his office.
8. When she was asked for her opinion on the course, she said it had been a waist of time.
9. I try to remember your name but I am afraid I cannot remember it.
10. I'd prefer to do it on myself because other people make me nervous.

III. Fill in each blank with a suitable PREPOSITION or PARTICLE.

1. I know _____ experience that I do my best work early in the morning.
2. I am astonished _____ the way my students can spend all night at the disco and still remember their prepositions next morning.
3. Is it possible to insure yourself _____ nuclear attack?
4. At school today, we had a long discussion _____ the best way to learn a foreign language.
5. "How can I discourage my boyfriend _____ trying to kiss me all the time?" "Eat plenty of garlic."
6. Raise the gun to your shoulder, aim _____ the target, and try not to kill anyone.
7. Small children should be watched _____ carefully.
8. Would you give up your country cottage _____ a town flat?
9. He'll inherit the money when he comes _____ age.
10. The performance on the first night came _____ pretty.

IV. Write the correct FORM of each bracketed word.

1. (ADAPT) _____ to a new environment is a difficult thing for old people.
2. Police asked (PASS) _____ if they had seen the accident happen.
3. What a (WORRY) _____ pair of children. They have to be watched every minute of the day.
4. Children are taught from young to be (RESPECT) _____ to their elders.
5. They frequently (MOBILE) _____ the traffic as they march through the streets.
6. He shook his head in _____ (APPROVE)
7. He fought the illness with courage and _____ (DETERMINE)
8. She seems (REASON) _____ happy in her new job.
9. Can we (ARRANGE) _____ the meeting for next Monday at 7?
10. If you weren't so (ACT) _____, you wouldn't be so fat!

PART IV. READING

I. Read the text & decide which word best fits each space by choosing A, B, C or D.

Action scenes in films

Modern cinema audiences expect to see plenty of thrilling scenes in action films. These scenes, which are (1) _____ as stunts, are usually performed by stuntmen who are specially trained to do dangerous things safely. (2) _____ can crash a car, but if you are shooting a film, you have to be extremely (3) _____ sometimes stopping right in front of the camera and film crew. At an early (4) _____ in the production, an expert stuntman is (5) _____ in to work out the action scenes and form a team. He is the only person who can go (6) _____ the wishes of the director, although he will usually only do this in the (7) _____ of safety.

Many famous actors like to do the dangerous parts themselves, which produces better shots, since stuntmen don't have to (8) _____ in for the actors. Actors like to become (9) _____ in all the important aspects of the character they are playing, but without the recent progress in safety equipment, insurance companies would never let them take the risk. To do their own stunts, actors need to be good athletes, but they must also be sensible and know their (10) _____. If they were to be hurt, the film would come to a sudden halt.

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| 1. A. remarked | B. known | C. referred | D. named |
| 2. A. Everyone | B. Someone | C. Anyone | D. No one |
| 3. A. detailed | B. plain | C. straight | D. precise |

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| 4. A. period | B. minute | C. part | D. stage |
| 5. A. led | B. taken | C. drawn | D. called |
| 6. A. over | B. against | C. through | D. across |
| 7. A. interests | B. needs | C. purposes | D. regards |
| 8. A. work | B. get | C. put | D. stand |
| 9. A. connected | B. arranged | C. involved | D. affected |
| 10. A. limits | B. ends | C. frontiers | D. borders |

II. Fill in each blank space with an appropriate word.

THE BIRTH OF THE T-SHIRT

The T-shirt, or at least the T-shirt as we know it, was born in the theatre. When Tennessee William's play *A Streetcar Named Oesire* opened in New York in December 1947, a young actor (1) _____ Marlon Brando went (2) _____ stage wearing a (3) _____ of blue jeans and a bright, white, capped-sleeve T-shirt. It was the first time the T-shirt had been seen publicly as anything (4) _____ an item of underwear and it set a fashion trend that was to last through (5) _____ the end of the century. The idea for the T-shirt came (6) _____ Brando himself. He had worn one at rehearsals for the play. The director was so impressed by the look that was created that he asked Brando to wear the shirt in the play itself. Brando may have seen the shirt being advertised by the American company Sears Roebuck. They had decided to market the shirt (7) _____ a fashionable garment in its (8) _____ right, rather than just something to be worn (9) _____ warmth beneath a denim workshirt (10) _____ an army uniform. It was Brando, however, who popularized it, especially with the release of the film version of *Streetcar* in 1951. A short leather jacket completed the look that was to be adopted by teenage rebels in many countries for decades afterwards.

III. Read the following passage and choose the best answer.

Since the world became industrialized, the number of animal species that have either become extinct or have neared extinction has increased. Bengal tigers, for instance, which once roamed the jungles in vast numbers, now number only about 2,300. By the year 2025, it is estimated that they will become extinct. What is **alarming** about the case of the Bengal tiger is that this extinction will have been caused almost entirely by **poachers** who, according to some sources, are not always interested in material gain but in personal gratification. **This** is an example of the **callousness** that is contributing to the problem of extinction. Animals, such as Bengal tiger, as well as other endangered species, are valuable parts of the world's ecosystem. International laws protecting these animals must be enacted to ensure their survival and the survival of our planet.

Countries around the world have begun to deal with the problem in various ways. Some countries, in an effort to circumvent the problem, have **allocated** large amounts of land to animal reserves. They then charge admission prices to help **defray** the costs of maintaining the parks, and they often must also depend on world organizations for support. This money enables them to invest in equipment and patrols to protect the animals. Another response to the increase in animal extinction is an **international boycott** of products made from endangered species. This has had some effect, but by itself it will not prevent animals from being hunted and killed.

- What is the main topic of the passage?

A. the Bengal tiger	B. international boycott
C. endangered species	D. problems with industrialization
- Which of the following is closest in meaning to the word "**alarming**" in the first paragraph?

A. dangerous	B. serious	C. gripping	D. distressing
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- The word "**poachers**" as used in the first paragraph could best be replaced by which of the following?

A. illegal hunters	B. enterprising researchers
C. concerned scientists	D. trained hunters
- The word "**callousness**" in the first paragraph could best be replaced by which of the following?

- A. indirectness B. independence C. incompetence D. insensitivity
5. The above passage is divided into two paragraphs in order to contrast_____.
- A. a problem and a solution B. a statement and an illustration
C. a comparison and contrast D. specific and general information
6. What does the word “**this**” in the first paragraph refers to in the passage?
- A. Bengal tigers B. Interest in material gain
C. Killing animals for personal satisfaction D. The decrease in the Bengal tiger population
7. Which of the following could best replace the word “**allocated**” in the second paragraph?
- A. set aside B. combined C. organized D. taken off
8. The word “**defray**” in the second paragraph is closest in meaning to which of the following?
- A. lower B. raise
C. make a payment on D. make an investment toward
9. What does the term “**international boycott**” in the second paragraph refer to?
- A. buying and selling of animal products overseas
B. a refusal to buy animal products worldwide
C. a global increase in animal survival
D. defraying the cost of maintaining national parks
10. Which of the following best describes the author’s attitude?
- A. forgiving B. concerned C. vindictive D. surprised

PART V. WRITING

I. Finish each of the sentences in such a way that it means exactly the same as the sentence printed before it.

1. She never seems to succeed even though she works hard.
Hard _____.
2. Do all the washing, please!
Let _____.
3. I regret not going to the airport to say good bye to him.
I wish _____.
4. Mick thought that we were married.
Mick was under _____.
5. The only thing that kept us out of prison was the way he spoke the local dialect.
But for his command _____.

II. Write an essay (about 250 words) about the following topic:

Some people say that traffic accidents are caused by the increasing number of motorbikes. Others blame for man’s fault. Which point of view do you agree? State at least three relevant evidences.

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KEYS – PRACTICE 29

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I. Pick out the word whose underlined part is pronounced differently from those of the other words. (5pts)

1. B	2. C	3. B	4. D	5. D
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II. Choose the word whose stress pattern is differently from those of the other words. (5pts)

1. D	2. C	3. D	4. C	5. D
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PART III. LEXICO-GRAMMAR

I. Read the sentences carefully and choose the best answers to make complete ones. (10pts)

1. D	2. B	3. B	4. B	5. A
6. D	7. C	8. D	9. C	10. A

II. Each sentence below contains 1 mistake. IDENTIFY the mistakes and WRITE THEIR CORRECT FORMS. (10pts)

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| 1. to the first | 2. has | 3. diligently | 4. them pulled | 5. Time passes |
| 6. pulled | 7. had the plane | 8. waste of time | 9. am trying | 10. by myself |

III. Fill in each blank with a suitable PREPOSITION or PARTICLE. (10pts)

1. from	2. at/by	3. against	4. about	5. from
6. at	7. over	8. for	9. of	10. off

IV. Write the correct FORM of each bracketed word. (10pts)

1. Adaptation	2. passers-by	3. worrisome	4. respectful	5. immobilize
6. disapproval	7. determination	8. reasonably	9. rearrange	10. inactive

PART IV. READING

I. Read the text & decide which word best fits each space by choosing A, B, C or D. (10pts)

1. B	2. C	3. D	4. D	5. D
6. B	7. A	8. D	9. C	10. A

II. Fill in each blank space with an appropriate word. (10pts)

1. named/called	2. on	3. pair	4. but/ except	5. to/until
6. from	7. as	8. own	9. for	10. or

III. Read the following passage and choose the best answer. (10pts)

1. C	2. D	3. A	4. D	5. A
6. C	7. A	8. C	9. B	10. B

PART V. WRITING

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- Hard as/ though she works, she never seems to succeed.
- Let all the washing be done.
- I wish I had gone to the airport to say good bye to him.
- Mick was under the impression that we were married
- But for his command of the local dialect, we could have been put into prison / jail.

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Marking scheme

The impression mark given is based on the following scheme:

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1. **Content: 50%** of total mark: a provision of all main ideas and details as appropriate
2. **Language: 30%** of total mark: a variety of vocabulary and structures appropriate to the level of English language gifted upper-secondary school students
3. **Presentation: 20%** of total mark: coherence, cohesion, and style appropriate to the level of English language gifted upper-secondary school students.

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