

I. LISTENING (2.0 points)

Part 1. You will hear a man telling a group of students about a trip to the theatre. Complete the notes below. Write **NO MORE THAN TWO WORDS AND/OR A NUMBER** for each answer on the answer sheet.

TRIP TO STAUNTON THEATRE

Meet at 6.00 p.m. at the (1) _____ of the school.

The name of the play is (2) _____.

Get a copy of the play from the (3) _____.

Each theatre ticket will cost (4) _____ £.

On the return journey, the coach will stop at the (5) _____ and then the school.

Part 2. You will hear a radio programme in which a woman called Sylvia Short is interviewed about her job. Choose the correct letter A, B, C or D and write your answer on the answer sheet.

- How many languages can Sylvia speak?
A. One B. Two C. Three D. Four
- How long did she stay in Italy?
A. 6 weeks B. 18 weeks C. 24 weeks D. 26 weeks
- What was her job after being promoted?
A. An office assistant B. A manager's assistant
C. A post officer D. A tour guide
- What does her job NOT involve?
A. Advertising in the press. B. Giving talks to people
C. Answering journalists' phones D. Printing guidebooks
- How does she think about her job?
A. It's not funny. B. It's not boring.
C. It's tiring. D. It's difficult to do.

II. LEXICO-GRAMMAR (3.0 points)

A. Choose the best answer A, B, C, or D to complete each sentence and write your answer on the answer sheet.

- By the end of this month, she _____ over 100 customer inquiries.
A. has responded B. will have responded C. responded D. will be responding
- Neither the students nor the teacher _____ aware of the schedule change.
A. are B. were C. is D. be
- The two candidates, neither of _____ had previous experience in public office, impressed the panel with their confidence.
A. them B. whom C. who D. which
- After the factory closed last month, many employees found themselves out of _____ and struggling to pay their bills.
A. order B. work C. stock D. date
- At the school fair, Anna proudly displayed a _____ painting she had inherited from her father.
A. colorful big French B. French big colorful
C. big colorful French D. colorful French big

6. The new smartphone was released last week, _____ millions of customers worldwide.
 A. impressing · B. impressed C. to impress D. that impressed
7. The teacher insisted that every student _____ the assignment on time.
 A. complete · B. completes C. completed D. has completed
8. _____ that physical activity enhances mental well-being.
 A. The belief B. It is believed · C. People are believed D. They are believing
9. The golf tournament continued though parts of the _____ were flooded.
 A. pitch · B. court C. ring D. course
10. I clearly remember _____ my keys on the kitchen counter before leaving the house.
 A. to put B. putting · C. put D. to be putting

B. Read the text below and look carefully at each line. Some of the lines are correct, but some have a word which should not be there. If a line is correct, put a tick (✓) in the space provided on your answer sheet. If a line has a word which should not be there, write the word on your answer sheet. There are two examples at the beginning (0 and 00).

LIFE IN THE PAST		
0	People lived very differently in the past. Before electricity was most	...most....
00	common, most families relied on candles and fires for light. They also	.....
01	have cooked their food on wood or coal fires, which could be difficult to	.....
02	control. Many homes did not have a running water, so people used wells or	.....
03	rivers where to get water for drinking and washing. In the countryside,	.....
04	children often helped their parents with farming and took care of animals.	.....
05	They usually worked very hard and had little in free time. Schools were	.....
06	not always near, and some children who could not attend <u>school</u> every day	.....
07	because they had to help at home. Life was simpler in some ways, but it	.....
08	was also the more dangerous. Without modern medicine, illnesses could	.....
09	easily become serious. Many people were died <u>young</u> , and families	.....
10	sometimes they lost many children. Still, people found ways to enjoy their lives.	.....

C. Read the text below. Use the word given in capitals at the end of each line to form a word that fits in the space in the same line. Write your answer on the answer sheet.

When the famous (0) <u>explorer</u> , Columbus claimed Florida for Spain in 1492, he had never (1) _____ eyes on it. The area's most important early (2) <u>visit</u> thus set a pattern that has continued for centuries. There is a general belief amongst people, apparently quite unconnected with whether or not they've been there (3) _____, that Florida is a good place to go.	EXPLORE LAY VISIT
In fact, it is almost (4) _____ not to enjoy yourself in Florida today, given the wonderful selection of facilities available to tourists. Some of the world's most popular tourist attractions are located in the state whose (5) _____ beaches welcome 40 million people each year.	THEY POSSIBLE SAND

D. Fill in the gaps in the following sentences with suitable particles. Write your answer on the answer sheet.

0. It can be difficult to adapt to life in a new country.
1. Have you made _____ your mind where to go for your summer holiday?
2. Using your cell phone while driving is _____ the law.
3. I can't account _____ the disappearance of the pictures; they were all there yesterday.
4. They succeeded _____ escaping the burning house.
5. His plan does not offer a real solution to the problem.

III. READING (2.0 points)

Passage 1. Read the text, choose the best answer, and write it on the answer sheet.

TWEENBOTS

Imagine the busy streets of New York City, an enormous place with millions of people. Every day, the streets are congested with people going about their daily lives. Now imagine a small robot in the middle of all of those people rolling down a busy sidewalk. Most people would not even notice the ten-inch smiling robot/ called a Tweenbot, rolling along the street. This strange machine may interest some people, while others would ignore it completely. A researcher, interested in studying how helpful people really are uses such robots in her experiments that take place on the streets of New York.

The Tweenbots experiment is the idea and creation of Kacie Kinzer. Kinzer's idea was to make a robot that could navigate the city and reach its destination only if it was aided by pedestrians. Tweenbots rely on the kindness of warm-hearted strangers. Made simply of cardboard, wheels, and a device to turn the wheels, the Tweenbots face many dangers on the city streets. They could be run over by cars or smashed by careless kids. Kinzer thought her little robots might even be seen as some kind of terrorist device. The only real protection a Tweenbot has is its friendly smile. In addition to that, each of Kinzer's robots is fitted with a flag that displays instructions for the robot's destination. The only way these robots will reach their final point is if someone lends them a hand. Tweenbots are essentially a social experiment aimed at providing people a chance to show how caring they are.

On a daily basis, people in New York City are often in a hurry to get around. However, the Tweenbots, through their inability to look after themselves, took people out of their normal routines. The people who noticed the helpless little robots were actually interested in helping the Tweenbots find their way home. Tweenbots move at a constant speed and can only go in a straight line. If one was to get stuck, or was going in the wrong direction, it would be up to strangers to free it or turn it in the right direction. Surprisingly, no Tweenbot was lost or damaged, and each one arrived at its target in good condition. In fact, most people treated the robot in a gentle manner, and some even treated it as though it were a small living being.

Even if you were in a rush to go somewhere, would you stop and help a Tweenbot successfully reach its destination?

1. What is this reading about?
 - A. A place to buy robots
 - B. A new kind of toy
 - C. An experiment
 - D. An interesting idea for the future
2. What is a Tweenbot?
 - A. A person from New York City
 - B. A ten-inch smiling robot
 - C. A pedestrian
 - D. A very large machine
3. How did a Tweenbot get to its final destination?
 - A. With the help of other Tweenbots
 - B. With the help of kind pedestrians on the street
 - C. With the help of Kacie Kinzer
 - D. With the help of other robots in New York City
4. Which of the following statements is NOT TRUE?
 - A. Most Tweenbots arrived at their destination damaged or broken.
 - B. Most people treated the Tweenbots in a gentle manner.
 - C. Tweenbots could not navigate the city on their own.
 - D. Tweenbots move at a constant speed and can only go in a straight line.
5. What can be inferred about the Tweenbot?
 - A. They were useful for research.
 - B. They were ignored by most people.
 - C. They were helpful for pedestrians.
 - D. They did not work as planned.

Passage 2. Read the text, choose the best answer, and write it on the answer sheet.

Staying on trend is an iconic symbol for many people, and by understanding this, clothes are no longer designed for sustainable use. This paves the way for the development of fast fashion. Fast fashion refers to fashionable clothes that copy the latest styles from catwalks and are sold at a low price. These copycat versions are mass-produced to meet consumers' appetites for up-to-the-minute styles, especially youngsters. However, such growth comes at a cost, as it has led to both environmental and social consequences.

According to the UN Environment Program (UNEP), the fashion industry is the second-largest water consumer, requiring 2,700 litres of water to produce a plain T-shirt and 6,800 litres of water for a pair of jeans. Such depletion of non-renewable resources undoubtedly contributes to the clean water crisis in different parts of the world. It is also responsible for about 10% of carbon emissions which is more than the amount of aviation and maritime shipping pollution combined. From manufacturing to delivery, the entire process releases 1.2 billion tonnes of CO₂ into the environment every year.

Besides environmental impacts, certain social consequences need to be taken into account. Workers in third countries, such as Bangladesh, are required to work up to 14 hours a day to meet order requirements from fashion companies. This situation has not only posed serious health risks to employees but has also exposed the exploitation of human labour. Moreover, workers have also faced unfair wages for their actual performance, as most brands want to maximise their profit. With such low payments, employees are unable to cover daily expenses such as housing or childcare.

The only way to tackle this issue is by shifting customers' shopping behaviours. Individuals should prioritise needs over desires for clothes ownership and try to extend the life cycle of clothes by selling old clothes and buying second-hand items.

1. Which of the following is NOT mentioned about fast fashion in paragraph 1?
 - A. It meets the needs of fashion followers.
 - B. It refers to high-end products from renowned brands. (.)
 - C. It has caused damage to our environment.
 - D. It creates products at much cheaper prices.
2. The word "It" in paragraph 2 refers to _____.
 - A. the UNEP
 - B. water crisis
 - C. the fashion industry
 - D. the plain T-shirt
3. Which of the following best paraphrases the underlined sentence in paragraph 3?
 - A. Employees receive a generous salary to cover housing and childcare expenses.
 - B. It is practicable for employees to afford housing and childcare expenses with such payments.
 - C. Due to insufficient wages, workers cannot cover essential daily expenses like rent or childcare. (.)
 - D. Workers can manage their daily expenses, including housing and childcare, with their salary.
4. Which of the following is TRUE according to the passage?
 - A. Those working in the fast fashion industry have received the highest wages in recent years.
 - B. Fast fashion promotes sustainable clothing production and focuses on protecting the environment.
 - C. The fashion industry consumes 6,800 litres of water to produce a plain T-shirt. (.)
 - D. The fashion industry's high-water demand has led to severe water scarcity worldwide.
5. In which paragraph does the writer provide suggestions to address the problem?
 - A. Paragraph 1
 - B. Paragraph 2
 - C. Paragraph 3
 - D. Paragraph 4

Passage 3. Read the following passage and do the tasks that follow.

UNIVERSITY SIX MONTHS ON

A

It only seems like yesterday that I left home but it's already been six months. How time flies! Since I came here, I have not only learned a lot about Britain's culture, but also made a lot of friends from all over the world. Even more importantly, my experience here has inspired me a lot and positively changed some of my perspectives. My studies have been going really well and I love my new course. Fitting in has been a major issue because my culture, food and background are completely different from everyone else. Still, I love these differences because it means that I have so much to learn.

B

I really enjoy the intellectual atmosphere here as I can freely express my own views. I have always been taught to accept all information taught in textbooks, and the teacher was always right, there was no room for arguments or disagreements. I just had to accept and memorise facts. However, at the university, lecturers have a role in the development of my own thoughts and ideas. In fact, arguing and debating with tutors is encouraged, to promote independent thinking. My professor always encourages us to challenge his views or traditional thinking in class - students in Britain are encouraged to think critically.

C

As a former journalist, I am amazed at the degree of independence and freedom that the media enjoys here in Britain. It is very easy to read or hear different points of view from the media. In such a relaxed atmosphere, I volunteered to be a student representative at the Students' Union, participating actively in student union meetings and raising various issues concerning student rights. We successfully changed our school's decision to cancel one of our modules. I also sent an e-mail to the Head of the Business School, suggesting a better way of running our course, and the Head has promised to reply. Now, I have learned not only to be more confident to talk about my views but also to be more open to consider different opinions.

D

Now I would also like to tell you about my busy social life outside my studies. I am now teaching children in the city, although I am not being paid for this work. With my help, not only are their language and writing skills improving but also their bonds to Japanese culture are strengthened. Also, I often help the elderly people of Bristol. I helped them arrange a party and invited a group of local primary school children to join.

E

Besides academic studies at university, there are numerous extra-curricular activities that I have participated in. This made me realise that as a student, the United Kingdom has much to offer. Although I am very busy, I have still managed to visit a lot of British cities even though the weather is colder here than the inside of a fridge. I find that Britain has a great sense of history and culture, which is in its own way as rich and varied as my country's.

The passage has five paragraphs A-E. Choose the correct heading for each paragraph from the list of headings below. Write the correct number i-viii in boxes 1-5 on your answer sheet.

List of Headings

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|----------------|------------|------|---------------------------------|
| 1. Paragraph A | <u>iii</u> | i | style of education |
| 2. Paragraph B | <u>i</u> | ii | voluntary work |
| 3. Paragraph C | <u>iv</u> | iii | finding accommodation |
| 4. Paragraph D | <u>ii</u> | iv | getting involved at university |
| 5. Paragraph E | <u>v</u> | v | leisure time |
| | | vi | nightlife |
| | | vii | adapting to a different culture |
| | | viii | taking part in sports |

Do the following statements agree with the information given in the passage? In boxes 6-10 on your answer sheet, write

- YES** if the statement agrees with the claims of the writer
NO if the statement contradicts the claims of the writer
NOT GIVEN if it is impossible to say what the writer thinks about this

6. Studying abroad has changed the writer's opinions in a good way. 1
 7. Tutors in this country like students to follow traditional thinking. 1
 8. It is very easy to become a student representative. _____
 9. The writer does a lot of things when she is not studying. _____
 10. The writer thinks that the UK is less historically interesting than her own country. _____

IV. WRITING (3.0 points)

A. Finish each of the following sentences in such a way that it means the same as the sentence printed before it. Write your answers on your answer sheet.

1. "You did an excellent job securing the highest score," the principal told him.
 The principal congratulated _____.
 2. Bill finds it difficult to stay focused when he studies in a noisy environment.
 Bill has _____.
 3. Without her encouragement, I wouldn't have had the confidence to start my own business.
 If she _____.
 4. I had just finished writing the final paragraph of my report when the power went out.
 Hardly _____.
 5. It was careless of the team to overlook the safety procedures during the construction project.
 The team shouldn't _____.

B. Complete the second sentence with NO MORE THAN FIVE WORDS so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence using the word given. Do not change the word given. Write your answers on your answer sheet.

1. Don't bother asking her for help when she is clearly too busy. (POINT)
 There is _____ her for help when she's clearly too busy.
 2. The students paid little attention to what the teacher was saying. (NOTICE)
 The students didn't _____ what the teacher was saying.
 3. The doctor advised the patients to reduce their screen time. (DOWN)
 The doctor told the patients to _____ screen time.
 4. He regrets not submitting his application before the official deadline. (ONLY)
 If _____ his application before the official deadline.
 5. She always tries to be optimistic about the future despite setbacks. (BRIGHT)
 She always tries to _____ of the future despite setbacks.

C. Write an essay on the following topic:

Nowadays more and more teenagers spend more time on social media than on other activities. What are the causes and what can be done to solve this?

Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your own knowledge or experience. You should write at least 250 words.

THE END.

Họ và tên thí sinh: _____
 Chữ ký GT 1: _____

Số báo danh: _____
 Chữ ký GT 2: _____