

PRACTICE 72

SECTION A: PHONETICS

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29. Comparing with other countries, Libya spends a high percentage of income on education.
30. People are now enjoying a higher level of living.
31. In the United Kingdom women see their doctor on the average five times a year.
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33. When we arrived at the store to purchase the dishwasher advertise in the newspaper, we learned that all the dishwashers had been sold.
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35. This time tomorrow I will lie on the beach, enjoying the sunshine.

III. Give the correct form of the words in the brackets in each of the following sentences. Write your answer in the space provided. (10 pts)

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39. He lost in the election because he was a weak and (DECIDE)..... leader.
40. I couldn't help it. The accident was (AVOID)
41. She was (EXTREME) knowledgeable about the history of China.
42. He was very (SET) when his cat was run over.
43. Jackson had another violent (AGREE) with the referee.
44. Many people were buried (LIVE) after the earthquake.
45. She studied (ECONOMY) at university.

SECTION C: READING COMPREHENSION

I. Fill in each numbered blank with one suitable word. Write your answer in the space provided. (10 pts)

Australia is a big country, but nearly all Australians live near the sea. On hot summer days, you can see thousands of people at the beach. Many beaches have waves (46) are very high.

These large waves are known as surf and the people who ride them are called surfers. Surfing is a skill, and it needs learning. Don't (47) to be able to surf properly the (48) time you try. However, by practising a few times you will learn (49) to do it.

Surfing is not a new sport. Perhaps its origins need explaining. It started hundreds (50) years ago in Hawaii. Men swam (51) to sea to catch fish and found they could come back to land very quickly by riding the waves. These first surfers did not (52) a board. They were "body surfers". Many people (53) do this type of surfing today.

After a while people started to use boards and rode the waves by lying, kneeling or standing (54) them. These first surfboards were made of wood and the water made them rot after a while. Today, surfboards are made of plastic or fibreglass (55)___ instead _.

II. Read the following passage and decide which answer (A, B, C, or D) best fits each gap. (10 pts)

What do you do well? What do you enjoy doing? Your answers to these two questions will help you identify your (56)____. An employer will consider you seriously for a (57)_____ when you can show them that you know who you are, what you can offer and which you have studied. Sometimes it is difficult to know what your weaknesses are. Clearly not everyone is equally good (58)_____ everything. You may need to improve yourself and so (59)_____ courses in that field could turn a weakness into strength.

You will need to (60)_____ some time on your self-assessment. Your honesty and the desire for self-improvement will lead to (61)_____ in getting the right job. Explore the following seven areas to start to get to know yourself: your aptitude, your skills, your personality, the level of responsibility you feel comfortable with, your interests and your needs.

Ask (62)_____ if you have any special talents and if you need to consider your physical health when choosing a job. Be as honest and realistic as you can, and ask for other people's (63)_____ if necessary. Make a list of these things. It is usually a good idea to talk about your aptitudes with teachers, family and friends.

If you are considering a career that (64)_____ a special talent, such as art, acrobatics, mathematics or music, discuss your aptitudes with (65)_____ expert in that area and discover how they fit the needs of the occupation.

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| 57. A. position | B. location | C. spot | D. room |
| 58. A. upon | B. in | C. at | D. for |
| 59. A. meeting | B. taking | C. making | D. interviewing |

60. A. use B. make C. lose D. spend
 61. A. success B. successful C. successfully D. succeed
 62. A. you B. your C. yours D. yourself
 63. A. interests B. fields C. opinions D. attendances
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III. Read the following text and choose the best answer for the questions below. (10 pts)

May 7th 1840 was the birthday of one of the most famous Russian composers of the nineteenth century: Peter Ilyich Tchaikovsky, the son of a mining inspector. Tchaikovsky studied music as a child and later studied composition at the St. Petersburg Conservatory. His greatest period of productivity occurred between 1876 and 1890, during which time he enjoyed patronage of Madame von Meck, a woman he never met, who gave him a yearly living stipend. Madame von Meck later terminated her friendship with Tchaikovsky, as well as his living allowance, when she, herself, was facing financial difficulties. It was during the time of Madame von Meck's patronage, however, that Tchaikovsky created the music for which he is most famous, including the music for the ballets of "Swan Lake" and "The Sleeping Beauty". Tchaikovsky's music, well-known for its rich melodic and sometimes melancholy passages, was one of the first that brought serious dramatic music to dance. Before this, little attention had been given to the music behind the dance. Tchaikovsky died ostensibly of cholera on November 6th 1893, though there are now some scholars who argue that he committed suicide.

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 67. According to the passage, all of the following describe Madame von Meck EXCEPT _____.
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 70. It can be inferred from the passage that _____.
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SECTION D: WRITING

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