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15-MINUTE TEST 1 (SEMESTER 1)

Duration: 15 minutes

LANGUAGE - GRAMMAR

Fill each blank with the correct form of the word in brackets.

1. My mother talked (loudly) _____ than my sister.
2. Combine harvesters are used to help farmers (work) _____ faster.
3. (Walk) _____ around areas with green trees and fresh air can help people relieve stress.
4. I'm not keen on (knit) _____ because I think it's quite boring.
5. Most teenagers like (spend) _____ time on social media.

LANGUAGE - VOCABULARY

I. Mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the correct answer to each of the following questions.

1. As a mental exercise, origami can help increase _____.
 A. creativity B. stress C. balance D. health
2. They are harvesting rice in the _____.
 A. paddy field B. crop
 C. garden D. orchard
3. Just like in Alaska, _____ used to be the most popular means of transport in this cold and snowy area.
 A. trains B. horse carts
 C. ships D. dogsleds

II. Choose the word(s) OPPOSITE in meaning to the underlined words in each question.

1. Life in the countryside is more peaceful than that in a big city.
 A. quiet B. comfortable
 C. noisy D. boring
2. We don't mind listening to classical music.
 A. contemporary B. popular
 C. loud D. gentle

READING

Complete the reading passage. Write ONE suitable word in each blank.

During the early years, (1) _____ jigsaw puzzles is a popular activity that many parents choose for their children to develop their concentration and creativity. With various colours, shapes and sizes, this hobby significantly draws kids' attention, which they can spend all day handling the small pieces (2) _____ boredom. It's also quite challenging for little kids to use their eyes and hands for finding and (3) _____ many pieces together to make the given image. To motivate kids more effectively, parents should choose suitable and captivating jigsaw images. They can let kids do simple ones first and then (4) _____ the levels of difficulty gradually. But remember that this indoor game can make a child get frustrated and even give it up. That's why parents should be ready to give children support in time and cheer them up (5) _____ they reach the last jigsaw.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

WRITING

I. Mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate meaningful sentences in which the given words/ phrases are correctly ordered.

1. countryside / Life / in / the / is / quieter / peaceful / than / and / more / that / in / the city.
 - A. Life in the countryside is more peaceful than that the quieter in the city.
 - B. Life in the countryside is quieter and more peaceful than that in the city.
 - C. Life in the countryside is peaceful and more quieter than that in the city.
 - D. Life in countryside is more peaceful and the quieter than that in the city.
2. the / students / prefer / Some / information / for / surfing / net / to / search / their / assignments.
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 - B. Some students prefer surfing the net to search information for their assignments.
 - C. Some students prefer search the net to surfing information for their assignments.
 - D. Some students prefer to surfing the net search for their information assignments.
3. teenagers / Social / websites / help / much / find / and discuss / media / information / faster.
 - A. Social media help find teenagers and discuss much information websites faster.
 - B. Social media websites help much teenagers find and discuss information faster.
 - C. Social websites help teenagers find information and discuss media much faster.
 - D. Social media websites help teenagers find and discuss information much faster.

II. For each question, complete the second sentence so that it means the same as the first. Use the word in brackets and do not change it. Write NO MORE THAN FIVE WORDS.

1. The young farmer works faster than the old one. (SLOWLY)
The old farmer _____ than the young one.
2. Some students love riding bicycles around the lake in their free time.
(KEEN) Some students are _____ bicycles around the lake in their free time.

ANSWER KEY

LANGUAGE - GRAMMAR

Fill each blank with the correct form of the word in brackets.

1. The correct answer
My mother talked (loudly) **more loudly** than my sister.
2. The correct answer
Combine harvesters are used to help farmers (work) **work/to work** faster.
3. The correct answer
(Walk) **Walking** around areas with green trees and fresh air can help people relieve stress.
4. The correct answer
I'm not keen on (knit) **knitting** because I think it's quite boring.
5. The correct answer
Most teenagers like (spend) **spending/to spend** time on social media.

LANGUAGE - VOCABULARY

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- 2.
3. The correct answer
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doing

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without

3. The correct answer

joining

4. The correct answer

increase

5. The correct answer

until

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2. The correct answer

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