



TASK 1: Reading Comprehension – The Rise of Ecotourism (10 points - 1 point per correct answer)

Read the text below and decide if the statements are True (T), False (F), or Not Mentioned (NM). Write your answers in the brackets, then write your answers on the answer sheet.

Ecotourism is a growing trend in modern travel, focusing on responsible visits to natural areas. Unlike traditional tourism, which often harms local environments, ecotourism aims to preserve ecosystems and improve the well-being of local people. Travelers who choose ecotourism are usually interested in learning about flora, fauna, and cultural heritage. The industry has expanded dramatically over the last ten years. Many lodges now use solar energy, harvest rainwater, and recycle all organic waste. However, critics argue that the increased presence of humans in previously untouched forests can still frighten wild animals and disrupt their breeding patterns. Costa Rica and Kenya are famous examples of countries that successfully use ecotourism to fund national parks. Most ecotourists prefer buying handmade souvenirs from villagers rather than importing goods, ensuring money stays within the local community.

1. Traditional tourism generally has a positive effect on the environment. [____]
2. Ecotourism involves learning about both nature and local culture. [____]
3. The ecotourism industry has stayed the same size for the past decade. [____]
4. Many ecotourist lodges generate their own electricity using solar power. [____]
5. Critics believe that ecotourism is completely harmless to wild animals. [____]
6. Costa Rica uses money from ecotourism to support its national parks. [____]
7. Kenya is the most visited ecotourism destination in the world. [____]
8. Ecotourists typically prefer to purchase factory-made souvenirs. [____]
9. Local villagers benefit economically from ecotourists buying their crafts. [____]
10. Organic waste is usually thrown into local rivers by eco-lodges. [____]

TASK 2: Multiple Choice Grammar (10 points - 1 point per correct answer)

Choose the correct answer (A, B, C, or D) for each sentence. Then write your answers on the answer sheet.

1. If I _____ more time, I would take up a new hobby like photography.
A) have B) had C) will have D) would have
2. The ancient castle _____ by thousands of tourists every single month.
A) is visited B) visits C) has visited D) was visiting
3. Our teacher wanted to know where _____ our summer holidays the previous year.
A) did we spend B) we have spent C) we had spent D) will we spend
4. I look forward to _____ you at the international student conference next week.
A) meet B) meeting C) met D) be meeting
5. You _____ bring an umbrella; the weather forecast says it definitely won't rain.
A) mustn't B) shouldn't C) don't have to D) can't
6. By the time the train finally arrived, we _____ on the platform for over an hour.
A) waited B) have waited C) were waiting D) had been waiting
7. The man _____ car was stolen yesterday reported the incident to the police immediately.
A) who B) whose C) which D) whom
8. I am not used to _____ early in the morning, so I always feel tired at 7 AM.
A) wake up B) waking up C) woke up D) be waking up
9. If she _____ his advice last week, she wouldn't be in this difficult situation now.
A) took B) has taken C) had taken D) would take
10. My parents let me _____ to the concert as long as I promised to be home by midnight.
A) go B) to go C) going D) went

TASK 3: Open Cloze Gap-fill – An Unusual Friendship (10 points - 1 point per correct answer)

Read the text below and think of the word which best fits each gap. Use only ONE word in each gap. Then write your answers on the answer sheet.

In 2011, a retired bricklayer named Joao found a tiny penguin covered (1) _____ oil on a beach in Brazil. The penguin was starving and could (2) _____ move. Joao took him home, cleaned him, and fed him (3) _____ he regained his strength. He named the penguin Dindim.

After a few weeks, Joao tried to release Dindim back into the sea, but the penguin refused (4) _____ leave. He stayed with Joao for eleven months before disappearing. Everyone thought Dindim would never return, (5) _____ a few months later, he arrived back at the beach. He recognized Joao and swam right up to (6) _____. For the past few years, Dindim (7) _____ spent eight months a year with Joao, and the rest of the time breeding off the coast of Argentina. Scientists believe Dindim views Joao as part of his family. It is truly (8) _____ of the most amazing friendships ever recorded between a human and a wild animal. Joao treats the penguin (9) _____ his own child, and Dindim does not allow anyone (10) _____ to touch him without honking angrily.

TASK 4: Playful Vocabulary – Word Scramble & Definitions (10 points - 1 point per correct answer)

Unscramble the letters in the brackets to find the correct word that matches the definition and fits the sentence. Then write your answers on the answer sheet.

1. Definition: A person you travel with or spend a lot of time with.

Sentence: My travel [P O M C A I O N N] _____ fell asleep on the train.

2. Definition: Extremely beautiful, impressive, or attractive.

Sentence: The view from the top of the mountain was absolutely [U S T I N G N N] _____.

3. Definition: Something you buy to remind yourself of a holiday or place.

Sentence: I bought a small model of the Eiffel Tower as a [R E U O S V I N] _____.

4. Definition: To find something by chance or for the first time.

Sentence: Scientists want to [V E I D C O S R] _____ new species in the rainforest.

5. Definition: Courageous; not afraid of danger or difficult situations.

Sentence: The [E V A R B] _____ firefighter ran into the burning building.

6. Definition: A path, route, or rough track through the countryside.

Sentence: We followed a narrow hiking [I L A R T] _____ through the dense forest.

7. Definition: An exciting, unusual, and sometimes dangerous experience.

Sentence: Going on a safari in Africa was a true [R E E N T U D A V] _____.

8. Definition: Extremely tired; having no energy left.

Sentence: After walking twenty kilometres, the hikers were completely [D E X E S H A U T] _____.

_____.

9. Definition: A trip or journey, especially for pleasure or exploration.

Sentence: Our school organized a day [**U I N O C E S X R**] _____ to the museum.

10. Definition: Having a strong desire to know or learn about something.

Sentence: Children are naturally [**O S I U C R U**] _____ about the world around them.

TASK 5: Playful Vocabulary – Idioms & Collocations (Odd One Out) (10 points - 1 point per correct answer)

Part A: Idioms - Match the underlined idiom to its playful definition by writing the letter (A-E) in the line. Then write your answers on the answer sheet. (5 points)

1. Don't worry about the exam, it's a piece of cake! _____
2. I'm feeling under the weather, so I will stay in bed today. _____
3. You shouldn't judge a book by its cover; he looks mean but he is very kind. _____
4. I'm over the moon because I passed my driving test! _____
5. Stop pulling my leg! I know there isn't a spider on my shoulder. _____

Definitions:

- A) Extremely happy and excited.
- B) Playing a joke or trick on someone by telling them something untrue.
- C) Something that is very easy to do.
- D) To form an opinion about something based only on its appearance.
- E) Feeling slightly sick, ill, or tired.

Part B: Word Associations - Circle the ODD WORD OUT that does NOT belong to the group or form a natural phrase. Then write your answers on the answer sheet. (5 points)

6. Verb + Vacation: | Take a vacation | Go on vacation | Do a vacation | Have a vacation
7. Adjective + Weather: | Heavy weather | Stormy weather | Freezing weather | Mild weather
8. Types of Accommodation: | Hotel | Campsite | Hostel | Highway
9. Travel Feelings: | Anxious | Excited | Homesick | Delicious
10. Things you pack: | Suitcase | Luggage | Passport | Traffic

TASK 6: What do British people mean when they talk about the following? (10 points - 1 point per correct answer)

Circle the correct answer. Then write your answers on the answer sheet.

1. A Tory is _____

- A) a numbered ticket in a lottery
- B) a coin worth £2
- C) a supporter of the Conservative Party

2. The Union Jack is _____

- A) the most valuable prize in a game
- B) the flag of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
- C) the central chamber of the Houses of Parliament

3. A zebra crossing is _____

- A) a design of two bones used on flags
- B) a television screen for black and white reception
- C) a place to cross the road safely

4. An M.P. is _____

- A) a Member of the Police
- B) a Master of Political Science
- C) a Member of Parliament

5. New Scotland Yard is _____

- A) a measurement of length
- B) the headquarters of the police in London
- C) the material used to make bagpipes

6. G.C.S.E. is _____

- A) a system of examinations for school children
- B) the national gas and electricity boards
- C) the highest award given by the Queen for bravery

7. The Tube is _____

- A) the London Underground
- B) a type of British train ticket
- C) a television programme about London

8. A bobby is _____

- A) a British police officer
- B) a member of the royal family

C) a traditional British baker

9. The NHS is _____

A) the National History Society

B) the National Health Service

C) the National Housing System

10. A pub is _____

A) a traditional British public house

B) a British primary school

C) a type of railway station

TASK 7: Adjectives: -ed or -ing? Are You Bored or Boring? (10 points - 1 point per correct answer)

Decide whether the form of the adjective(s) in the sentence is correct or incorrect. Mark any that are correct with a tick (✓) and any that are wrong with a cross (×). Then write the correct forms on the answer sheet.

1. That girl is really **annoyed** – she is always losing things. _____

2. Some of the students' exam results were **disappointed**, _____

3. but on the whole, I am quite **satisfying** with their progress. _____

4. My job is **challenging** and I generally enjoy it, _____

5. but it has its **bored** moments, too. _____

6. The theme park was rather **disappointing**. _____

7. There was only one ride which the kids thought was really **frightened**. _____

8. I've heard some **worried** news about possible redundancies at work. _____

9. After a **relaxed** bath, _____

10. she felt **refreshing**. _____

TASK 8: Multiple-Choice Cloze – Choose the Correct Word (10 points - 1 point per correct answer)

Read the text below and decide and circle which answer (a, b, c, or d) best fits each space.

Then write your answers on the answer sheet.

Mike got back from work and packed his bags as quickly as he could. Then he made sure he had (1) _____ all the lights, set the burglar (2) _____, and locked the apartment. He was late. He only had half an hour to get to the airport - a journey that normally (3) _____ nearly an hour. He was on the motorway in just over ten minutes and then he put his foot

down. The speed (4) _____ was 110 km/hr, but he was driving at over 160 when he saw the red (5) _____ light of the police car in his mirror. He hit the (6) _____ wheel in frustration and pulled his car onto the (7) _____ shoulder.

"Excuse me, sir," said the police (8) _____. "Can I see your driving (9) _____?"

Mike felt in his jacket pocket and then looked in his briefcase.

"I'm sorry," he said, "I think I've left all my documents at home."

"Oh really, sir? Would you mind stepping (10) _____ the car?"

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| 1. A) closed | B) locked | C) shut | D) switched off |
| 2. A) signal | B) alert | C) alarm | D) mask |
| 3. A) took | B) endured | C) demanded | D) reserved |
| 4. A) bump | B) limit | C) trap | D) reading |
| 5. A) flashing | B) glowing | C) burning | D) fading |
| 6. A) spinning | B) controlling | C) driving | D) steering |
| 7. A) hard | B) cold | C) strong | D) warm |
| 8. A) official | B) officer | C) station | D) reporter |
| 9. A) certificate | B) document | C) licence | D) passport |
| 10. A) without | B) out of | C) over | D) up |

TASK 9. Analogy - Definition (10 points - 1 point per correct answer)

An analogy is a kind of comparison that shows how things are related. The second pair of the words must be related in the same way as the first pair. Circle the letter of the correct word.

Then write your answers on the answer sheet.

1. A woman is to aunt as a man is to _____.
A) brother B) father C) uncle
2. Broom is to sweep as cloth is to _____.
A) wipe B) table C) dirt
3. Hair is to trim as grass is to _____.
A) green B) mow C) grow
4. Bear is to den as bee is to _____.
A) honey B) sting C) hive
5. Orange is to peel as egg is to _____.
A) shell B) chicken C) yolk
6. Illustrator is to draw as author is to _____.

- A) book B) write C) read
7. Clean is to dirty as neat is to _____.
- A) closet B) clothes C) messy
8. Cars are to roads as planes are to _____.
- A) fly B) sky C) jets
9. Dirt is to mound as sand is to _____.
- A) castle B) beach C) dune
10. Cat is to pet as red is to _____.
- A) rose B) blue C) colour

TASK 10: Word formation – Idioms (10 points - 1 point per correct word)

Use the words in capitals to form a word that fits in the space in the same line. Then write your answers on the answer sheet.

A high percentage of the English language consists of idioms which a (1) _____ will have to acquire in order to achieve complete (2) _____. However, good (3) _____ is not based on the quantity of idioms used, but on their appropriate usage.

Students of English can (4) _____ make themselves understood using a minimal amount of (5) _____ language, but some feel it is a (6) _____ to learn them and then use them as often as possible to make a good (7) _____ and show how good their language is. However, using them (8) _____ can sound worse than not using them at all.

Thankfully, there are many (9) _____ teachers who can provide clear (10) _____ and help with practice.

LEARN
FLUENT
COMMUNICATE

EASE
IDIOM
NECESSARY

IMPRESS
CORRECTLY

QUALIFY
EXPLAIN