

Họ và tên thí sinh: ..... Số báo danh: .....

**Chú ý:** - Thí sinh làm bài vào phiếu trả lời và không sử dụng bất cứ tài liệu gì.  
- Cán bộ coi thi không giải thích gì thêm.

## A. LISTENING COMPREHENSION

I. Listen to a piece of news from a newspaper about low gas prices in 2016 and supply the blanks with the missing information. Write **NO MORE THAN TWO WORDS** taken from the recording for each answer. Write your answers on the answer sheet. (10 points)

Crude oil (1) \_\_\_\_\_ to the lowest price in nearly a decade. Accordingly, the average U.S. household has saved an estimated \$700 this year and drivers can expect more savings in 2016.

Thanks to lower prices, Brady can do volunteer more easily and help out (2) \_\_\_\_\_

According to Kloza, the prices of gas tend to increase when refineries have to shut down (3) \_\_\_\_\_ or switch to \_\_\_\_\_ that produce less smog in the summer.

To show their concern about the environment, the U.S pledged in Paris to reduce greenhouse (5) \_\_\_\_\_ and address climate change.

Amy Myers Jaffe, the executive director of energy and sustainability, is doubtful about pickup (6) \_\_\_\_\_ as the choices will be a big factor that members of the (7) \_\_\_\_\_ generation make.

It is suspected that they will continue to embrace things like (8) \_\_\_\_\_ or and more efficient hybrid and electric cars.

Myers Jaffe says that the trend of sharing or renting cars at weekends will have a negative impact on the (9) \_\_\_\_\_ and positive on climate solutions.

Low prices can make the big oil states like Russia, Iran and Saudi Arabia less stable and if one of those countries experiences (10) \_\_\_\_\_ or even falls, the reduction in world oil production and the increase in prices are inevitable.

II. Listen to a conversation about the New Year's Party. Then choose the correct answer A, B, C, or D. Write your answers (A, B, C, or D) on the answer sheet. (5 points)

1. When will the New Year's Party be held?

- A. December 29<sup>th</sup>      B. December 30<sup>th</sup>      C. December 31<sup>st</sup>      D. December 9<sup>th</sup>

2. The best place for holding the party is \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. the restaurant      B. the common room      C. the stadium      D. Tulip Garden

3. How much does everyone should pay?

- A. £15      B. £50      C. £15.50      D. £55

4. How many days should they choose the menu in advance?

- A. a week      B. three days      C. seven working days      D. six days

5. How much deposit should they pay in advance?

- A. \$70      B. £80      C. £90      D. £17

## B. PHONOLOGY

I. Choose the word whose bold part is pronounced differently from that of the others in each group. Write your answers (A, B, C, or D) on the answer sheet. (5 points)

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|-------------------|------------------|----------------|---------------|
| 1. A. chanteuse   | B. cholera       | C. chenille    | D. champagne  |
| 2. A. preparation | B. preponderance | C. preference  | D. presbytery |
| 3. A. northern    | B. bathe         | C. thereabouts | D. thiamine   |
| 4. A. drought     | B. sought        | C. wrought     | D. nought     |
| 5. A. resilient   | B. resultative   | C. resonant    | D. response   |

**II. Pick out the word whose stress pattern is different from that of the others in each group. Write your answers (A, B, C, or D) on the answer sheet. (5 points)**

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|----------------------|-----------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| 1. A. memorandum     | B. magnificent  | C. oxymoron       | D. confidential   |
| 2. A. synecdoche     | B. meteorite    | C. encomium       | D. community      |
| 3. A. fatigue        | B. humane       | C. igloo          | D. bedaub         |
| 4. A. majority       | B. extravagant  | C. legitimate     | D. carpetbagger   |
| 5. A. hypersensitive | B. reconveyance | C. preferentially | D. interpretative |

**C. VOCABULARY AND GRAMMAR**

**I. Choose the correct word or phrase to complete each sentence. Write your answers (A, B, C, or D) on the answer sheet. (10 points)**

- English is still the main \_\_\_\_\_ of instruction in Nigeria.  
A. method                      B. resolution                      C. result                      D. medium
  - \_\_\_\_\_ its clarity of style, the book is not easy reading.  
A. In all                      B. Of all                      C. In pursuance of                      D. For all
  - He was arrested on suspicion of driving under the \_\_\_\_\_ of alcohol.  
A. power                      B. influence                      C. effect                      D. force
  - \_\_\_\_\_ more points to discuss, the meeting has now come to an end.  
A. On account of                      B. Regardless of                      C. Not having                      D. There being no
  - She has lived in a \_\_\_\_\_ since 2008.  
A. five-floors building                      B. five-floor building                      C. five-floor buildings                      D. five-floors buildings
  - He was still under his father's \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. finger                      B. hand                      C. thumb                      D. fingertip
  - She had to take out a bridging \_\_\_\_\_ until she could sell her house.  
A. loan                      B. finance                      C. capital                      D. debt
  - Very little was said about his failure, \_\_\_\_\_?  
A. wasn't it                      B. was it                      C. was there                      D. wasn't he
  - If you're on a diet, you should \_\_\_\_\_ honey for sugar in your tea.  
A. change                      B. substitute                      C. replace                      D. convert
  - "Why don't you invite Paula to come with us?" - "\_\_\_\_\_."  
A. No idea                      B. There's an idea                      C. Not idea                      D. Negative idea
  - They said they could order it for me because they didn't have my size in \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. shop                      B. hold                      C. store                      D. stock
  - "When will you be informed of the test result?" - "Not until Monday, so I'll be \_\_\_\_\_ all weekend".  
A. at needles and pins                      B. on pins and needles  
C. on needles and pins                      D. at pins and needles
  - Susan was alone in the house when the fire \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. broke in                      B. broke out                      C. broke off                      D. broke up
  - I can't possibly lend you any money. It is quite out of the \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. order                      B. question                      C. practice                      D. place
  - I didn't think he'd \_\_\_\_\_ such a pathetic lie, but he believed every word of it.  
A. take up                      B. fall out                      C. take in                      D. fall for
  - Before you send them any money, make sure the company really exists, or the whole thing could be a \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. deceit                      B. lack                      C. joke                      D. con
  - "Look, we're doing our best to fix it." - "Well, you could have \_\_\_\_\_ me."  
A. lied                      B. fooled                      C. tricked                      D. cheated
  - I wouldn't say he was brilliant at his job, but he's quite \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. cautious                      B. wary                      C. effective                      D. competent
- Choose the word(s) OPPOSITE in meaning to the underlined word(s) in the following sentence.**
- Don't **beat around the bush**. Ask for your account to be paid, and paid quickly.  
A. cut to the chase                      B. hold a depute on                      C. cut a deal                      D. do battle

Choose the word(s) **CLOSEST** in meaning to the underlined word(s) in the following sentence.

20. He said he was only joking, but his comments were so close to the bone.

- A. annoying                      B. offensive                      C. personal                      D. respectful

II. Give the correct form of the words in brackets. Write your answers on the answer sheet. (5 points)

1. I can't see why the board of leaders keep **(COMMIT)** \_\_\_\_\_ over the debate about whether or not to dismiss the current coach.
2. I hate admitting defeat but in this case the opposition is **(REFUTE)** \_\_\_\_\_ correct.
3. When he was still unmarried ten years ago, he was **(FEET)** \_\_\_\_\_ and fancy-free.
4. The venom of many snakes, especially cobras, acts as a **(HALLUCINATE)** \_\_\_\_\_, producing ecstatic visions.
5. A circle is a shape on which all the points are **(DISTANCE)** \_\_\_\_\_ from a fixed central point.
6. He stood at the door to make sure that no one **(GATE)** \_\_\_\_\_ the party.
7. It's **(CHARACTER)** \_\_\_\_\_ of him to lose his temper like that - he's usually very calm.
8. He **(KNOW)** \_\_\_\_\_ that he had been at fault.
9. She's in the **(ENVOIOUS)** \_\_\_\_\_ position of being able to choose who she works for.
10. He was **(CEREMONY)** \_\_\_\_\_ removed from the list of members for gross misconduct.

III. Fill each gap in the following sentences with a suitable preposition or an adverb particle. Write your answers on the answer sheet. (10 points)

1. I would like to apply \_\_\_\_\_ the position of sales clerk that you advised \_\_\_\_\_ the Sunday newspaper.
2. The clerk \_\_\_\_\_ that counter said those purses were \_\_\_\_\_ sale.
3. \_\_\_\_\_ 35% we can see that the electronics and appliance sector accounted \_\_\_\_\_ the majority of online sales in 2005.
4. He isn't independent \_\_\_\_\_ any means. He depends on his father \_\_\_\_\_ everything.
5. Someone broke \_\_\_\_\_ the shop and made \_\_\_\_\_ with several TVs and videos.
6. She advised me \_\_\_\_\_ taking public transport \_\_\_\_\_ rush hours.
7. Brian was \_\_\_\_\_ pressure from his boss to finish the project \_\_\_\_\_ the deadline.
8. Your promotion definitely calls \_\_\_\_\_ a celebration; let's go \_\_\_\_\_ a nice restaurant tonight and have a bottle of champagne.
9. Since he had waited \_\_\_\_\_ line for hours to buy his ticket, Brian was \_\_\_\_\_ the first to see the new "Star Wars" movie.
10. It was obvious \_\_\_\_\_ the expression on his face that Mike was quite surprised \_\_\_\_\_ the result of his exam.

IV. Give the correct form or tense of the verbs in brackets. Write your answers on the answer sheet. (5 points)

1. I suppose when you **(return)** \_\_\_\_\_ next year, all these old buildings **(pull)** \_\_\_\_\_ down.
2. If he **(not drink)** \_\_\_\_\_ so much last night, he **(not be)** \_\_\_\_\_ so tired now.
3. The building **(guard)** \_\_\_\_\_ at the moment by the police to prevent it from **(enter)** \_\_\_\_\_.
4. I meant **(buy)** \_\_\_\_\_ an evening paper but I didn't see anyone **(sell)** \_\_\_\_\_ them.
5. He **(leave)** \_\_\_\_\_ us 3 hours ago. By now he must **(be)** \_\_\_\_\_ at home.

V. Point out one of the underlined parts in each sentence that is not correct and get it right. Write A, B, C, or D and your corrections on the answer sheet. Number 0 is an example. (5 points)

0. She **(A) hardly never** goes to **(B) the** supermarket **(C) without** buying **(D) some** bread and cheese.
1. **(A) By** the 1960s, it **(B) was** becoming more **(C) acceptance** for women **(D) to work** in management.
2. **(A) Pay** particular **(B) attention** **(C) to the** warnings **(D) printing** on the label.
3. I looked **(A) at** her and **(B) felt** a **(C) piece** of **(D) hope**.
4. Mohandas K. Gandhi, who **(A) was called** Mahatma, lived a noble life of fasting and **(B) poor** in order to work for **(C) peace** and **(D) independence**.
5. Before the **(A) invention** of **(B) railroads**, the only **(C) mean** of land transportation was **(D) the horse**.

## D. READING COMPREHENSION

1. Read the passage and choose the correct answer to each question. Write your answers (A, B, C, or D) on the answer sheet. (10 points)

These stories of killer bees in the news in recent years have attracted a lot of attention as the bees have made their way from South America to North America. Killer bees are reputed to be extremely aggressive in nature, although experts say that their aggression may have been somewhat **inflated**.

The killer bee is a hybrid- or combination- of the very mild European strain of honeybee and the considerably more aggressive African bee, which was created when the African strain was imported into Brazil in 1955. The African bees were brought into Brazil because **their** aggression was considered an advantage: they were far more productive than their European counterparts in that they spent a higher percentage of their time working and continued working longer in inclement weather than did the European bees.

These killer bees have been known to attack humans and animals, and some fatalities have occurred. Experts point out, however, that the mixed breed known as the killer bee is actually not at all as aggressive as the pure African bee. **They** also point out that the attacks have a chemical cause. A killer bee stings only when it has been disturbed; it is not aggressive by nature. However, after a disturbed bee stings and flies away; it leaves its stinger embedded in the victim. In the viscera attached to the embedded stinger is the chemical isoamyl acetate, which has an odor that attracts other bees. As other bees approach the victim of the original sting, the victim tends to panic, thus disturbing other bees and causing them to sting. The new stings create more of the chemical isoamyl acetate which attracts more bees and increases the panic level of the victim. Killer bees tend to travel in large clusters or swarms and thus respond in large numbers to the production of isoamyl acetate.

- The subject of the paragraph before paragraph 1 was mostly likely \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. the creation of the killer bee  
B. the chemical nature of killer bees' attacks  
C. stories in the media about killer bees  
D. ways of producing honey
- The word "**inflated**" in paragraph 1 means \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. aired  
B. exaggerated  
C. blown  
D. burst
- Why were African bees considered beneficial?  
A. They spent their time traveling.  
B. They were productive, even in inclement weather.  
C. They produced an unusual type of honey.  
D. They didn't work hard in inclement weather.
- The word "**their**" in paragraph 2 refers to \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. the European bees'  
B. the African bees'  
C. the killer bees'  
D. the honey bees'
- It is stated in the passage that killer bees \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. are less aggressive than African bees  
B. never attacks animals  
C. are more deadly than African bees  
D. always attack African bees
- The pronoun "**They**" in paragraph 3 refers to \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. humans and animals  
B. facilities  
C. experts  
D. killer bees
- Which is NOT mentioned in the passage as a contributing factor in an attack by killer bees?  
A. Panic by the victims  
B. The odor of isoamyl acetate  
C. Disturbance of the bees  
D. Inclement weather
- In which paragraph does the author describe the size of the groups in which killer bees move?  
A. Paragraph 3  
B. Paragraph 2  
C. Paragraph 2 and 3  
D. Paragraph 1
- Which of the following is NOT a characteristic of killer bees?  
A. attack humans and animals  
B. are aggressive by nature  
C. travel in large clusters  
D. are a combination of the European honeybees and the African bees
- The main idea of this passage is that killer bees \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. are not purebred  
B. have been moving unexpectedly  
C. have been in the news a lot recently  
D. are not as aggressive as their reputation suggests

**II. Read the passage and choose the correct word for each blank. Write your answers (A, B, C, or D) on the answer sheet. (5 points)**

Every ten minutes, one kind of animal, plant, or insect dies (1) \_\_\_\_\_ forever. If nothing is done about it, one million species that are alive today will have become (2) \_\_\_\_\_ twenty years from now.

The seas are in (3) \_\_\_\_\_. They are being filled with poison: industrial and nuclear (4) \_\_\_\_\_, chemical fertilizers and pesticides, sewage. The Mediterranean is already nearly dead; the North Sea is following. If nothing is done about it, one day soon nothing will be able to live in the seas.

The tropical rainforests, which are the (5) \_\_\_\_\_ of half the earth's living things (including many rare animals and plants), are being destroyed. If nothing is done about it, they will have nearly disappeared in twenty years. The (6) \_\_\_\_\_ on the world's climate - and on our agriculture and food supplies - will be disastrous.

Fortunately, somebody is trying to do something about it. In 1961, the World Wildlife Fund was (7) \_\_\_\_\_ - a small group of people who wanted to raise money to save animals and plants from extinction. Today, the World Wildlife Fund is a large international organization. It has raised over £35 million for conservation projects, and has created or given (8) \_\_\_\_\_ to National Parks in five continents. It has helped malnourished families, and even the tiger - to (9) \_\_\_\_\_. Perhaps this is not much, but it is a start. If more people give more money and if more governments wake up to what is happening, perhaps the World Wildlife Fund will be able to help us to avoid the disaster that (10) \_\_\_\_\_ the natural world, and all of us with it.

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|--------------------|---------------|-----------------|---------------|
| 1. A. off          | B. on         | C. out          | D. over       |
| 2. A. extinguished | B. extinct    | C. distinct     | D. invalid    |
| 3. A. danger       | B. death      | C. debt         | D. despair    |
| 4. A. waste        | B. rubbish    | C. essence      | D. mixture    |
| 5. A. container    | B. origin     | C. house        | D. home       |
| 6. A. result       | B. impression | C. effect       | D. motivation |
| 7. A. founded      | B. found      | C. funded       | D. fixed      |
| 8. A. defense      | B. support    | C. preservation | D. rescue     |
| 9. A. continue     | B. endure     | C. prolong      | D. survive    |
| 10. A. occurs      | B. pollutes   | C. threatens    | D. suffers    |

**III. Fill each blank in the following passage with ONE suitable word. Write your answers on the answer sheet. (10 points)**

The biologist's (1) \_\_\_\_\_ in society as well as his moral and ethical responsibility in the discovery and development of new ideas has (2) \_\_\_\_\_ to a reassessment of his social and scientific value systems. A scientist can no (3) \_\_\_\_\_ ignore the consequences of his discoveries; he is as concerned with the possible misuses of his findings as he is with the basic research in which he is (4) \_\_\_\_\_. This emerging social and political role of the biologist and all other scientists requires a weighing of values that cannot be done with the accuracy or the objectivity of the laboratory balance. As a member of society, it is necessary for a biologist now to redefine his social obligations and his functions, (5) \_\_\_\_\_ in the realm of making judgments about ethical problems as man's control of his environment or his manipulation of (6) \_\_\_\_\_ to direct further evolutionary development.

As a result of recent discoveries concerning hereditary mechanisms, genetic engineering, by which human traits are made to order, may soon be a reality. As desirable as it may seem to be, such an accomplishment would entail many value judgments. Who would decide, for example, which traits should be selected for change? In cases of genetic deficiencies and disease, the desirability of the change is obvious, (7) \_\_\_\_\_ the possibilities for social misuse are so numerous that they may far outweigh the benefits.

Probably the greatest biological problem of the future, as it is of the present, will be to find ways to curb environmental pollution without interfering with man's constant effort to (8) \_\_\_\_\_ the quality of his life. Many scientists believe that underlying the spectre of pollution is the problem of surplus human population. A rise in population necessitates an increase in the operations of modern industry, the waste products of which increase the pollution of air, water, and soil. The question of how many people the resources of the Earth can support is of critical importance.

Although the solutions to these and many other problems are yet to be (9) \_\_\_\_\_, they do indicate the need for biologists to work with social scientists and other members of society in (10) \_\_\_\_\_ to determine the requirements necessary for maintaining a healthy and productive planet. For although many of man's present and future problems may seem to be essentially social, political, or economic in nature, they have biological ramifications that could affect the very existence of life itself.

## E. WRITING

I. Finish the second sentence in such a way that it means the same as the original one. Write your answers on the answer sheet. (10 points)

1. Although the fish appears to be harmless, it is quite dangerous.

→ Contrary \_\_\_\_\_

2. He got down to writing a letter as soon as he returned from his work.

→ No \_\_\_\_\_

3. It was wrong of you to allow a four-year-old child to walk home alone.

→ You should \_\_\_\_\_

4. "OK. It's my mistake. I'm sorry," Peter said.

→ Peter admitted \_\_\_\_\_

5. I am not a solitary person, I'm sociable.

→ Rather \_\_\_\_\_

6. It was more of a business arrangement than a marriage.

→ It was not \_\_\_\_\_

7. I could hold a big party due to my mom's help.

→ Had it \_\_\_\_\_

8. Sally showed absolutely no fear when climbing the wall.

→ Sally showed a total \_\_\_\_\_

9. He is so ambitious - he's determined that he'll be successful in the company.

→ He is determined to make his \_\_\_\_\_

10. I didn't notice I had left my umbrella on the bus until it started to rain.

→ It was not until \_\_\_\_\_

II. Rewrite each sentence in such a way that it means the same as the original one, using the word in the bracket at the end of each sentence. Do not change this word in any way. Write your answers on the answer sheet. (5 points)

1. John was shocked to hear that he had failed his driving test. **(CAME)**

2. The public reaction to the design of the new theater turned out to be bitterly critical. **(TEETH)**

3. The warmth of her welcome surprised me. **(ABACK)**

4. I don't mind staying in on a Saturday night if I have good company. **(AVERSE)**

5. We were surprised to see that he got mad at our decision. **(RED)**

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