



10-th Grade

Vocabulary and Grammar Test

1. Put the verbs in brackets into the correct tense (active or passive).

Nowadays, thanks to the revolution in communication technology, we can find out immediately about events, which are happening on the other side of the world. Not only that, but these events also 1) _____ (have) a much greater effect on all of our lives than they did only a couple of decades ago. Communication technology not only 2) _____ (enable) globalization, it 3) _____ (become) what globalization is. The first great revolution in communications 4) _____ (occur) in the 19th century when Samuel Morse 5) _____ (send) the first ever message via his electric telegraph system. Never before 6) _____ (it/be) possible to get a message from one place to another unless it 7) _____ (take) there physically. It 8) _____ (be) a momentous occasion, and the revolution we 9) _____ (still/go through) today is no less momentous, perhaps even more so. It 10) _____ (begin) in the 1950s when the first communication satellite 11) _____ (send) into orbit. Since then, more and more satellites 12) _____ (launch) every year. There 13) _____ (be) now over 200 up there, each handling far more information than the first one. This phenomenon, along with a parallel development in telephone cable technology, 14) _____ (not only/continue) up to the present but 15) _____ (still/accelerate), and of course 16) _____ (keep) on doing so, gaining momentum all the time. Who knows what stage it 17) _____ (reach) by the time we 18) _____ (get) to the middle of this century? The one thing we can be reasonably sure of is that, barring global disasters, this world 19) _____ (be) an even more interconnected one than the globalized one we 20) _____ (live) in today.

2. There is one unnecessary word in most of the lines of this text. Write these words in the space provided. Tick any lines that are correct. Two examples are given.

Comets wander through deepest space. Occasionally,	0 <u>✓</u>
and for only a so short time, we are privileged to view	0 <u>so</u>

this wonderful natural phenomenon as from the Earth. In April 1997, the comet Hale – Bopp made out its closest approach to our Sun and its appearance had caught the attention of professional and amateur astronomers. The comet had in fact and only been discovered in the July 1995. During those April evenings, Hale – Bopp provided to us with an unforgettable sight. Night after night, because thanks to clear skies, this magical body was clearly visible to the naked eye, trailing its elegant, long dust tail across the all night sky. Though still briefly visible in early May, it has eventually disappeared that month, was heading back into the outer solar system. Observers around the world agreed that Hale – Bopp was the most complex structure they had never seen and considered themselves fortunate to have witnessed it.

- 1 _____
- 2 _____
- 3 _____
- 4 _____
- 5 _____
- 6 _____
- 7 _____
- 8 _____
- 9 _____
- 10 _____
- 11 _____
- 12 _____
- 13 _____
- 14 _____
- 15 _____

3. Choose the correct preposition and circle it.

1. This book gives readers a real insight *off/into* the question of class.
2. It's not a gripping topic but that shouldn't detract *from/about* its importance.
3. In job interviews, don't just confine yourself *to/in* answering questions.
4. Self-interest often takes precedence *over/on* ethical considerations.
5. He never gave up on his dream *about/of* becoming a millionaire.
6. I tried to contact him about my application but he was away *on/for* business.
7. He doesn't conform *to/for* most people's image of an accountant.
8. She left her last job after a dispute *on/over* holiday pay.
9. She prides herself *for/on* her knowledge of political systems.
10. There is a clear distinction *about/between* class and relative wealth.

4. For questions 1-8, read the text below. Use the word given in capitals to form a word that fits in the gap. There is an example at the beginning.

A Musical Genius

For many people Ludwig van Beethoven (1770-1827) is the most (0) **INFLUENTIAL** (INFLUENCE) figure in the history of western classical music. His (1-ORDINARY).....talent was already clearly evident as a young man, (2-MERCY) surviving a somewhat unconventional (3 - BRING) during which his eccentric father would often force him to take music lessons in the middle of the night. The young Beethoven's ability won him the admiration of the leading contemporary musical figures. Throughout the 1790s he worked hard to secure the interest of wealthy patrons. Such patronage (4 - ABLE) him to concentrate on

becoming a successful composer. Whatever his awe-inspiring musical (5- ACHIEVE) , however, his personal life was something of a disaster. His day-to-day (6 - RELATE) with people invariably turned out to be rather turbulent. Although he apparently fell in love with a number of society women, the identity of the girl who lay closest to his heart remains (7 - ELUDE) to this day. However, just at the point when Beethoven was beginning to reap the rewards of his early endeavours, he had to come to terms with the crushing (8- REALISE).....that his increasing deafness was (9 - CURE) From that point on, his music displayed a (10- STRIKE)..... change in style, becoming both heavier in tone and larger in scale.

5. Read the text. Think of the word which best fits each gap. Write the correct word in each gap (1-8).

The Post-it note

It has been described as the solution to a problem nobody realized existed. But that hasn't stopped the self-attaching Post-it note – that little square piece of paper that sticks in (1) a clever way that it can be removed, leaving no damage – (2) becoming an essential piece of stationery worldwide. (3) so many other simple inventions, the Post-it note was invented by accident. A scientist working for a US company was attempting to develop a super-strong adhesive, (4) instead came up with a super-weak one. It was just strong (5) to stick light objects together. What was special about it was that the objects could be separated (6) leaving a mark. (7) five years, he tried convincing his bosses of the importance of his invention. Sadly, nobody (8) find a use for it. Then a colleague noticed that bookmarks in his book kept falling out, and he was continually losing his place. Remembering the work of this colleague, the scientist set about designing a reusable bookmark using the super-weak adhesive and the Post-it note was born.

6. For questions 1-7, complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the word given. Do not change the word given. You must use between three and six words, including the word given.

1) My brother now earns far less than he did when he was younger.

NEARLY

My brother much now as he did when he was younger.

2) They are demolishing the old bus station and replacing it with a new one.

PULLED

The old bus station is with a new one.

3) The number of students now at the university has reached an all-time height, apparently.

THE

The number of students now at university is been, apparently.

4) I'm disappointed with the Fisher's new album when I compare it to their previous one.

COMPARISON

I think the Fisher's new album is their previous one.

5) Anna got the job even though she didn't have much experience in public relations.

SPITE

Anna got the job of experience in public relations.

6) «I must warn you how dangerous it is to cycle at night without any lights», said the police officer to Max.

DANGERS

Max received a at night without any lights from the police officer.

7) Perhaps John heard the story from Pippa.

HAVE

Pippa might story.

7. Fill in the correct particle(s).

1. Linda has given.....her work so she can look after her children.

2. The milk is givinga horrible smell.

3. The corruption scandal brought.....the government.

4. You'd better do your shoes.....or you will trip over the laces.

5. People cannot dowater for more than two days.

6. The death penalty was done..... in Britain many years ago.

7. He came.....a fortune on his father's death.

8. Go..... the rules of the game once more.

9. This skirt is rather short. You'd better let it..... .

10. I can't get.....to Joan. I think there's a fault on the line.