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SENIOR ONE MID- TERM EXAM

SECTION A: READING COMPREHENSION

Read the text and mark the statements true(T) or false (F)

Homework

Many people now think that teachers give pupils too much homework. They say that it is unnecessary for children to work at home in their free time. Also, they say that many teachers do not plan the exercises they give to pupils for homework, so pupils do the same activities they did at school.

Recently in Greece many parents said that teachers gave their children very difficult homework. The parents considered that most of the homework was useless, and they wanted to stop it. Spain and Turkey are two countries where homework stopped recently. In Denmark, Germany and many other countries in Europe, teachers cannot set homework at weekends. In Holland, pupils can stay at school to do their homework and they can help their classmates. Similar arrangements also exist in some British schools.

Most people agree that homework is discriminatory. A pupil who can do his homework in a quiet and comfortable room is going to get very good results. But a pupil who does his homework in a small, noisy room is going to have lots of difficulties with it. Some parents help their children with their homework. Other parents are not interested at all in their children's homework.

It is important that teachers talk to parents about homework. A teacher can recommend activities for parents to do with their children. Parents are often very good at teaching their own children.

- 1) Some people don't think homework is good for children.
- 2) Greek parents said their children's homework was very simple.
- 3) Spanish children do not do any homework.
- 4) German students do their homework on Saturdays or Sundays
- 5) Some British students can do their homework at school.

SECTION B: LANGUAGE IN USE

1. Complete the text below using the words in the box. There are three extra items. The first one has been done for you.

Drives - works- in- take- at- is- She- eats- working- by-studying- have -studies

My name 1) is Sarah. I get up at seven o'clock 2) _____ the morning. I 3) _____ a shower before breakfast. For breakfast, I 4) _____ milk and cereal. My best friend is called Lucy. 5) _____ doesn't have milk for breakfast. She always 6) _____ cake and biscuits. She 7) _____ at an university, and goes there 8) _____ bus everyday. Other of my best friends, Lisa, 9) _____ her car to university. She 10) _____ with me twice a week.

Am-swim-don't have-her- lives- swimming- in- have got- him-always- at-has got-never-live

Hi, I _____ Mark. I'm twenty six and I _____ in Wales. My sister Angela is 22 years old. She _____ brown hair and brown eyes. She is very beautiful and she likes _____. My brother John is 30 and works a lot. He is usually very tired after work and _____ goes to bed at nine. I _____ a job at the moment. So I get up late and I'm _____ tired. I do exercise every day. I _____ a bike and I use it to stay fit and to visit my friends and family _____ the weekend. Angela _____ in Australia but I talk to her every week. John lives in Wales too, but I don't see _____ very often.

- 2) Complete the dialogue below:

Amanda wants to take English lessons. She is talking to the institute's secretary.

Amanda: Good morning.

Secretary: Good morning. Can I help you?

Amanda: Yes, please. I would like to take English lessons.

Secretary: Great!

_____?

Amanda: Amanda.

Secretary: Okay.

_____?

Amanda: Harrison.

Secretary: Nice. And

_____?

Amanda: I'm eighteen years old.

Secretary:

_____?

Amanda: I am from Buenos Aires.

Secretary: Okay.

_____?

Amanda: I am a secretary, just like you! .

3. Tell us something about yourself.

1) What do you have for breakfast?

2) What's your favourite colour?

3) What do you do?

4) What's your favourite animal?

5) Where do you live?

SECTION C: WRITING

Write about 40 words on ONE of the following:

A) Imagine you are creating an account for a social network. Create a personal profile. (You may write a chart and a paragraph talking about you).

B) Imagine you are writing an article for a magazine. Write about your routine. (What do you do every day? What do you do three times a week? And twice?)