

WORKSHEET 21/1

A. LANGUAGE

I. PRONUNCIATION

Exercise 1: Choose the word whose underlined part is pronounced differently from the others.

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| 1. A. atm <u>o</u> sphere | B. c <u>o</u> mpulsory | C. c <u>o</u> nservation | D. opp <u>o</u> rtunity |
| 2. A. cu <u>i</u> sine | B. di <u>v</u> ersity | C. di <u>s</u> ease | D: pre <u>s</u> erve |
| 3. A. p <u>o</u> pular | B. m <u>o</u> saic | C. <u>o</u> ptimist | D. resp <u>o</u> nsible |
| 4. A. s <u>u</u> stainable | B. infrastr <u>u</u> cture | C. camp <u>u</u> s | D. s <u>u</u> rprised |

Exercise 2: Choose the word whose stress pattern is different from that of the others.

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| 1. A. interviewer | B. preparation | C. economics | D. education |
| 2. A. teleconference | B. television | C. telephone | D. telephoto |
| 3. A. understand | B. generate | C. represent | D. introduce |
| 4. A. presentations | B. individual | C. innovation | D. development |

II. VOCABULARY AND GRAMMAR

Choose the best answer which best fits each space in each sentence.

- All fossil fuels are _____ resources that cannot be replaced after use.
A. unlimited B. renewable C. available D. non- renewable
- Somebody's just called my name, _____?
A. is he B. have they C. haven't they D. hasn't they
- If you freeze water, it _____ into ice.
A. turns B. is turning C. turned D. would turn
- Telecommunication is bound to have a huge influence on various aspects of our lives.
A. depression B. technique C. expect D. impact
- Jack: "Would you like me to get a taxi?"
- Ian: " _____"
A. Yes, please, if it's no bother B. well, let's see
C. That would be delighted. Thanks D. Yes, I see
1. We had to wait for a long time to get our visa, _____?
A. did we B. didn't we C. had we D. hadn't we
2. No one can predict the future exactly. Things may happen _____.
A. expected B. unexpected C. expectedly D. unexpectedly
3. Don't leave the TV _____ you are watching it.
A. if B. unless C. because D. so
4. The government is making plans to install sensors and cameras in the city center to _____ traffic problems and help drivers to avoid traffic jams.
A. discover B. detect C. find D. watch
5. The aim of the waste disposal bins system is to convert waste _____ renewable energy for the community.

- A. onto B. to C. into D. in

III. WORD FORM

Use the word given in capitals at the end of some of the lines to form a word that fits in the gap in the same line. There is an example at the beginning (0) – CENTRAL

CITY CENTRE TRAFFIC PROBLEMS	
The amount of traffic in the crowded (0) _____ district of some of our largest cities is a major problem these days. Over the years, (1) _____ schemes of traffic management have been tried, none of which can be said to have entirely (2) _____ . In order to (3) _____ people to leave their cars at home, especially on shorter trips, it is becoming increasingly common for cities to impose a fee on those drivers who choose to come into the city center.	(0) CENTRE (1) VARY (2) SUCCESS (3) COURAGE
Some schemes take advantage of the latest technology – for example, in one city (4) _____ is made by a card in the car's windscreen which is scanned (5) _____. This is meant to speed up the flow of traffic, but the scheme has a major (6) _____ as the amount that drivers have to pay changes during the day and, as a result, it is not (7) _____ for long queues to build up just before a cheaper charging period come into (8) _____. However, the system is gradually gaining in (9) _____ with motorists, although it has to be admitted it may not provide a total (10) _____ to the problem of traffic congestion.	(4) PAY (5) AUTOMATIC (6) ADVANTAGE (7) USUAL (8) PERATE (9) POPULAR (10) SOLVE

IV. ERROR CORRECTION

Identify one underlined part in each sentence that needs correcting.

1. It's better to ask for help instead of pretending to know how to do something when you are probably not capable to do it at all.

- A. to ask B. pretending to know C. to do D. to do it

2. Martin told me that he wanted to remind that what was important was not the cost, but how well the job was done.

- A. told me that B. remind that C. was D. was done

3. Approximate 92 percent of the world's trading goods are transported by ships.

- A. Approximate B. of the C. trading D. are transported

4. With the exception of gold, silver is most malleable and ductile of all metals.

- A. With the B. of C. is most D. all

5. Does Dr. Brown mind calling at home if his patients need help?

- A. Does B. mind C. calling D. need

B. READING

Exercise 1: Read the passage and choose the word/ phrase (A, B, C, D) that best fits each of the numbered blanks

World Car free Day

Each year, on September 22nd, people in over 1,500 cities in 40 countries around the global (1)_____ World Car free Day. This annual event, (2)_____ is coordinated by the World Car free Network in Prague and supported by the European Union and the United Nations, aims to raise awareness (3)_____ the problems caused by our independence on private cars. Streets are closed to traffic and opened to street parties, theater, bicycle demonstrations or outdoor cafes, in order to show people what their city might (4)_____ like if there were fewer or no cars. Over one hundred million people are believed to take (5)_____ in celebrations, though this figure is difficult to verify.

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| 1. A. celebrate | B. expect | C. host | D. enjoy |
| 2. A. what | B. where | C. which | D. who |
| 3. A. about | B. on | C. for | D. of |
| 4. A. take | B. look | C. feel | D. seem |
| 5. A. place | B. off | C. action | D. part |

Exercise 2: Read the text and the headings below. Match the correct headings I, II, III, IV, V, VI, VII with the sections A, B, C, D, E

Traffic Jams — No End in Sight

There are no easy answers to the problems of traffic congestion.

A. Traffic congestion affects people throughout the world. Traffic jams cause smog in dozens of cities across both the developed and developing world. In the U.S., commuters spend an average of a full work week each year sitting in traffic, according to the Texas Transportation Institute. While alternative ways of getting around are available, most people still choose their cars because they are looking for convenience, comfort and privacy.

B. The most promising technique for reducing city traffic is called congestion pricing, whereby cities charge a toll to enter certain parts of town at certain times of day. In theory, if the toll is high enough, some drivers will cancel their trips or go by bus or train. And in practice it seems to work: Singapore, London and Stockholm have reduced traffic and pollution in city centers thanks to congestion pricing.

C. Another way to reduce rush hour traffic is for employers to implement flextime, which let employees travel to and from work at off-peak traffic times to avoid the rush hour. Those who have to travel during busy times can do their part by sharing cars. Employers can also allow more staff to telecommute (work from home) so as to keep more cars off the road altogether.

D. Some urban planners still believe that the best way to ease traffic congestion is to build more roads, especially roads that can take drivers around or over crowded city streets. But such techniques do not really keep cars off the road; they only accommodate more of them.

E. Other, more forward-thinking, planners know that more and more drivers and cars are taking to the roads every day, and they are unwilling to encourage more private automobiles when public transport is so much better both for people and the environment. For this reason, the American government has decided to spend some \$7 billion on helping to increase capacity on public transport systems and upgrade them with more efficient technologies. But environmentalists complain that such funding is tiny compared with the \$50 billion being spent on roads and bridges.

Headings:

- I. A solution which is no solution
- II. Changing working practices
- III. Closing city centre to traffic
- IV. Making cars more environmentally friendly
- V. Not doing enough
- VI. Paying to get in
- VII. A global problem

C. WRITING

Complete the second sentence using the word given, so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence. Write between two and five words in each gap.

1. Getting up early makes me feel hungry.

EARLY

If I _____ hungry.

2. If I eat tomatoes, I get bad stomach problems.

ALLERGIC

I _____ tomatoes; If I eat them, I get bad stomach problems.

3. If you reconsider our offer, I think you might change your mind.

WERE

If you _____, I think you might change your mind.

4. Thanks to the security officer, the robbery did not succeed.

HADN'T

If it _____ officer, the robbery would have succeeded.

5. Aliens might land on earth unnoticed

MIGHT

If aliens _____ not be noticed.