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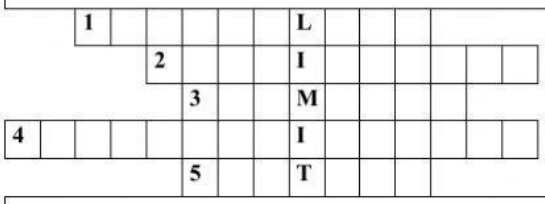
PART A

WRITE THE WORDS USING THESE CLUES — **5 x 0.2 = 1 mark**



1- Intentional damage to or destruction of people's property.
2- Piece of work given to sb. as part of their studies or job.
3- When a teacher and a group of people meet to study a topic.
4- Feeling when sb. or sth. is not what you hoped it would be.
5- The writer of a book, article or play.

CIRCLE THE CORRECT OPTION a, b or c TO COMPLETE THE BLANKS — **5 x 0.3 = 1.5 marks**

1-	_____ a queue is definitely a rude action everywhere.	a) Jumping	b) Jump	c) Not jumping
2-	When a student can't come to class he has to _____ the work he missed.	a) cheer up	b) catch up on	c) weaken
3-	If you saw a man running _____ from the police, what would you do?	a) out	b) off	c) away
4-	I'd rather_____ at home tonight.	a) stay	b) to stay	c) staying
5-	_____ you found a wallet, would you keep it?	a) Provided	b) Suppose	c) Unless

COMPLETE THE CONVERSATION. *Choose a suitable expression. There are three extra ones. Write the letter in the blank.* — **4 x 0.2 = 0.8 mark**

A		B
a	Listen! Janet is going out with Mike! Our friend!	
b	Would you mind helping me?	
c	We might go out tonight, Jack!	
d	My boss has given me a pay rise.	

B	
1	I would.
2	That's great news!
3	You're kidding!
4	Great! Just like the old days!
5	I'm so sorry!
6	Not at all!

REWRITE THESE SENTENCES *Use the words in brackets without changing them* — **8 x 0.4 = 3.2 marks**

1- She didn't study for the exam. That's the only reason why she failed. (IF)

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2- Borges was an Argentinean writer. He is considered one of the best writers of the 20th century. (WHO)

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3- Despite the convenient prices in Rio, we went on holiday to Mar del Plata last summer. (ALTHOUGH)

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4- I always travel in crowded buses. That's not a problem for me. (USED TO)

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5- I am absolutely sure I switched off the lights when I left yesterday. (REMEMBER)

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6- I was able to finish reading the book because I stayed up all night. (MANAGED)

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7- The plane couldn't take off. It had technical problems. (DUE TO)

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8- Our boss will probably give us a bonus this month. (LIKELY)

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COMPLETE THE TEXT ABOUT A MAN WHO HAD A TIGER AS A PET WITH THE CORRECT TENSE, VOICE OR FORM OF THE VERBS IN BRACKETS	**10 x 0.25 = 2.5 marks**

Last week a man who 1) (keep) _____ a 400-pound tiger in his apartment in New York 3) (fine) _____ $ 2,500, and forbidden from 3) (keep) _____ animals for ten years. Brian Jackson, 31, 4) (buy) _____ the tiger – called *Giant* - when it was just a three-month-old cub. *Giant* 5) (live) _____ in Jackson's fourth-floor apartment for three years, eating raw meat provided by Jackson, who worked as a butcher. Neighbours had often complained of strange smells and loud noises.

Jackson's unusual pet 6) (discover) _____ because he had to go to hospital with cuts and bites to his arm. The tiger had attacked him in an apparent attempt 7) (capture) _____ and kill a dog that he also kept in the apartment. Police officers went to the roof and scaled down the outside of the building to the fourth floor and fired tranquilizer darts through an open window. They removed the tiger, and also an alligator, to the New York zoo.

Jackson 8) (take) _____ to trial next month under the charges of animal violence and criminal action against his neighbours. He 9) (hope) _____ to get the court's permission to recover the tiger because he says he 10) (miss) _____ *Giant* a lot.

READING: *Read this article and do tasks A and B*	**5 x 0.2 = 1 mark**

Swedish born Anders Ericsson, a psychology professor at Florida State University, is leader of a group of scholars trying to answer an important question, when someone is very good at something, what actually makes them good? **A. ____.** This is more than simply repeating a task. Rather, it involves setting specific goals, getting immediate feedback and concentrating equally on technique and results.

Ericsson and his colleagues therefore began studying expert performers in a wide range of pursuits, from soccer and surgery to piano playing and software design. They have come to a rather startling conclusion: practice really does make perfect. What we call "talent" is highly overrated, as expert performers are nearly always made, not born. The research also suggests that when it comes to choosing a life path, you should do what you love. People often give up trying to do things they don't like, telling themselves they simply don't possess the talent. **B. _____.** Ericsson's conclusions, if accurate, suggest that students should follow their interests earlier in their schooling to build up experience and receive meaningful feedback.

The insights of the researchers can explain the riddle of why so many elite soccer players are born early in the year. Since youth sports are organised by age group, teams have a cut-off birth date. **C. ____.** So, when a coach is assessing two players in the same age group, one born in January and the other in December, the player born in January is likely to be bigger, stronger, more mature.

Guess who the coach will pick. He may be mistaking maturity for ability but once chosen, those January-born players are the ones who, year after year, receive the training, the deliberate practice, the feedback - and have the accompanying self-esteem – that will turn them into elite players.

Task A *Insert the sentences/clauses 1 to 3 in the corresponding blank and complete the boxes with **A, B or C.***

1	But what they don't have is the will to succeed and to put in the deliberate practice that would make them better.	
2	Early experiments by Ericsson suggested that the best way to learn was a process known as "deliberate practice".	
3	In the European youth soccer league, the cut-off date is December 31.	

Task B *Circle **T** for true and **F** for false. Correct the false statement/s on the blank line/s below.*

	Anders Ericsson was trying to investigate the secret behind expertise.	**T**	**F**

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5	Most elite footballers are born in the late months of the year.	**T**	**F**

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