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MIDTERM TEST (SEMESTER 1)

Duration: 60 minutes

LISTENING

I. Listen to the conversation between Brian and his mother. Complete the summary. Write **NO MORE THAN TWO WORDS** in each blank. You will listen **TWICE**.



Summary

Brian is searching for videos about his (1) _____ when his mother starts talking to him. Brian has just begun learning about folding (2) _____ and he finds it (3) _____. His mother approves and lists a few (4) _____ of this hobby. Brian's mother reveals her hobbies as a kid; then she talks about her responsibilities during the (5) _____ season.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

II. Listen to the recording and mark the letter **A, B, C, or D** to indicate the correct answer to each of the following questions. You will listen **TWICE**.



1. What are the sources of pressure for teenagers at school?

A. Parents, teachers, and friends.	B. Parents.
C. Friends.	D. Teachers.
2. All of the following extracurricular activities are mentioned EXCEPT _____.

A. clubs	B. community service
C. sports	D. volunteering
3. What can extracurricular activities be beneficial for?

A. Growth and development.	B. School pressure.
C. Heavy workload.	D. Stress and anxiety.
4. According to the passage, what is one source of pressure for teenagers in their social life?

A. Having as many friends as possible.	B. Wanting to make new friends.
C. Needing to fit in.	D. Being the most popular.
5. What can parents and teachers do to help teenagers manage their stress?



- A. Recognise and understand the problem.
- B. Give them more chores.
- C. Provide support and guidance.
- D. Provide support and guidance, and recognise and understand the problem.

LANGUAGE - PRONUNCIATION

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the word whose underlined part differs from the other three in pronunciation in each of the following questions.

- A. earthquake B. threaten
 C. thousand D. breathe
- A. message B. luggage C. cottage D. hospitable
- A. manage B. buffalo C. account D. mature
- A. addicted B. announced
 C. visited D. needed

LANGUAGE - GRAMMAR

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the correct answer to each of the following questions.

- My brother spends his free time _____ photos.
 A. takes B. taking C. take D. to take
- Posting personal pictures on social media is fun; _____, sometimes it can bring many problems.
 A. so B. although C. however D. but
- Students prefer modern technology _____ it can help them learn in a more convenient and comfortable way.
 A. such as B. due to
 C. because of D. as
- We had better _____ those coupons for the next purchase. They can save us some money.
 A. keeping B. to keep C. to keeping D. keep
- Teenagers often take up smoking because of peer pressure, _____ they think it makes them look "cool" among their friends.
 A. but B. and C. however D. otherwise

LANGUAGE - VOCABULARY

Complete the sentences with the correct forms of the words in brackets.

- I helped my dad _____ the rice from the back of the truck. (load)
- I get a lot of _____ from reading cookery books. (pleased)
- The villagers are kind and _____ to visitors. (hospitality)
- She's giving her best to study because her parents have high _____ of her. (expect)
- The village is famous for its ancient pagodas and _____ houses. (tradition)

**READING**

I. Read the following passage and decide whether the following statements are true (T) or false (F).

THE KHMER

The Khmer Krom — literally, “Khmer from below” — live in southern Viet Nam, where they are the Mekong Delta’s second biggest ethnic group, after the Kinh. In general, it is not typical to see Khmer people wearing traditional clothing in their daily life. Only ladies over the age of 50 still wear it to the temple and shave their hair as a sign of respect for the Buddha. I only went to one village where two or three locals are still making it. However, this silk clothing is a work of art, with designs very similar to Buddhist temple pictures. The Khmer used to create their own silk, but today they buy it from the Kinh. They still dye yarn with colourful powders; however, the powders are imported from Thailand rather than being made from forest plants. I met Neang Phong, an 83-year-old woman, on her porch a few years ago when she was creating a traditional outfit. When I returned, she recognised me, and I was able to photograph her in it.

Source: <https://www.rehahnphotographer.com/en/ethnic-minorities-in-vietnam/>

1. After the Kinh, the Khmer are the Mekong Delta’s second largest ethnic group.
A. True **B. False**
2. It is common to see Khmer people wearing traditional clothes on a regular basis.
A. True **B. False**
3. Only women over the age of 50 keep wearing traditional clothes to the temple and shave their heads as a sign of respect for the Buddha.
A. True **B. False**
4. The Khmer still make their own silk rather than purchasing it from others.
A. True **B. False**
5. Colourful powders are still used to colour yarn, but the powders are imported from Thailand.
A. True **B. False**

II. Complete the reading passage. Write ONE suitable word in each blank.

During the early years, (1) _____ jigsaw puzzles is a popular activity that many parents choose for their children to develop their concentration and creativity. With various colours, shapes and sizes, this hobby significantly draws kids’ attention, which they can spend all day handling the small pieces (2) _____ boredom. It’s also quite challenging for little kids to use their eyes and hands for finding and (3) _____ many pieces together to make the given image. To motivate kids more effectively, parents should choose suitable and captivating jigsaw images. They can let kids do simple ones first and then (4) _____ the levels of difficulty gradually. But remember that this indoor game can make a child get frustrated and even give it up. That’s why parents should be ready to give children support in time and cheer them up (5) _____ they reach the last jigsaw.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____



5. _____

WRITING

I. Mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate meaningful sentences in which the given words/ phrases are correctly ordered.

1. wanted / to / visit / a / have / enough / her / , but / she / didn't / to / friends / money / flight / get / .
 - A. Janes wanted to visit her friends, but she didn't have enough money to get a flight.
 - B. Janes didn't visit her friends, but she wanted to have enough money to get a flight.
 - C. Janes didn't have enough money, but she wanted to visit her friends to get a flight.
 - D. Janes didn't have enough money to get a flight, but she wanted to visit her friends.
2. buying / broken / of / have / with / it / making / instead / we / by / tradition / Chung cake / .
 - A. Instead of buying Chung cake, we have broken by tradition with making it.
 - B. Instead of buying Chung cake, we have broken by making it with tradition.
 - C. We have broken by tradition with buying Chung cake instead of making it.
 - D. We have broken with tradition by buying Chung cake instead of making it.
3. you / the / dance / Did / traditional / celebrate / the / rice / watch / festival / to / new / ?
 - A. Did you watch the dance to celebrate the new traditional rice festival?
 - B. Did you watch the new rice festival to celebrate the traditional dance?
 - C. Did you watch the traditional dance to celebrate the new rice festival?
 - D. Did you dance the traditional watch to celebrate the new rice festival?

II. Mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the underlined part that needs correction in each of the following questions.

1. Please speak clearer because I hardly understand the instructions.
A. hardly **B.** clearer
C. speak **D.** instructions
2. She is most helpful shop assistant I have ever talked to
A. most **B.** talked **C.** is **D.** assistant
3. Scientists need to develop solar panels in order to generating clean and cheap energy.
A. and **B.** Scientists
C. generating **D.** to develop

III. Write a paragraph about solutions to deal with teen stress. Use between 80 and 100 words.

1. You should include:
 - Introduction: What is teen stress?
 - Body: How to cope with stress? List out 2-3 solutions and examples.
 - Conclusion: Close the topic.

