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FCEI
Term Test 1
Use of English and Writing

- **WRITING**
  Choose *one question* and then write your essay in 140-190 words in an appropriate style

❑ In your English class, you have recently had a discussion about relationships. Now your teacher has asked you to write an essay. Use all the notes below and give reasons for your point of view.

Is it better to live alone or with someone else?

Notes :

Write about:

1. independence
2. money
3. _____ (your own idea)

❑ In your English class, you have been talking about happiness. Now your teacher has asked you to write an essay. Use all the notes below and give reasons for your point of view.

Whether you are happy or not depends on the personality you are born with. Do you agree?

Notes :

Write about:

1. relationships
2. health
3. _____ (your own idea)

❑ In your English class, you have been talking about friendships. Now your teacher has asked you to write an essay. Use all the notes below and give reasons for your point of view.

What should we do to make and keep friends?

Notes :

Write about:

1. being honest
2. keeping in touch
3. _____ (your own idea)

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- **VOCABULARY**

Use the words in the box below to complete the sentences. There are extra words!

spouse / sack / considerate / in-laws / trustworthy / overtime / perks / imaginative / offspring / qualifications / flexitime / trainee / siblings / wages / ambitious

1. The new TV show is about two couples and the adventures of their rebellious _____.
2. Simon started his career as a _____ with an advertising agency and now, 3 years later, he's one of the most promising publicists.
3. Physicians have to be _____, and they also have to promote trust through their words, deeds and interaction.
4. Her repeated unexplained absences led her manager to give her the _____.
5. The risk of an elderly man or woman dying from any cause increases between 30% and 90% in the first three months after a _____'s death.
6. In our company, we have a large number of female employees and we offer them _____ and telecommuting as a benefit. So they choose their own times for starting and finishing work.
7. Since Adam and Phoebe got married a year ago, Adam has spent the summer holidays with his _____ as Phoebe is very close to her parents.
8. As a colleague he was _____ and patient to hear other opinions, never imposing his own without a long, friendly discussion.
9. With her _____ and experience, Ellen would seem to be ideally suited to the position of manageress.
10. Her _____ stories for children were often intended for a parent audience as well.

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- **GRAMMAR**

Put the verbs in brackets into Present Simple, Present Continuous, Present Perfect or Present Perfect Continuous.

1. Someone _____ (eat) all the cakes. I'll have to buy some more.

2. My husband _____ (always/taste) the food while I _____ (cook)! It's very annoying!

3. I _____ (do) everything you asked. What should I do now?

4. Those two cats _____ (sit) on that branch for the last hour.

5. That plant I bought _____ (not/grow) very much. And I _____ (water) it every day.

6. Graham and Pauline _____ (try) to find a house for ages, but they can't find one they can afford.

7. Diana _____ (wear) twelve different dresses in the past week!

8. What _____ (you/look) at? _____ (I/wear) the wrong clothes?

9. The chef always _____ (taste) the food before he _____ (serve) it.

10. _____ (you/have) a good time at the moment?

Choose the most suitable verb form in each sentence.

1. Larry *is writing/ has been writing/ has written* his novel for the last two years.

2. *Have you been seeing/ Have you seen* my bag anywhere? I can't find it.

3. Excuse me, *do you read/ are you reading* your newspaper? Could I borrow it?

4. The police think that they *have been founding/ are founding/ have found* your wallet, so call this number.

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5. Sorry, could you say that again? I *'m not listening/ haven't listened/ haven't been listening* to you.

6. *Have you two met/ Have you been meeting* before? Eric, this is Amanda.

7. What do we order? *Do you like/ Are you liking / Have you liked* fish?

8. A lot of people think that the Sun *goes/ is going* around the Earth.

9. From the minute he got up this morning Gary *is asking/ has asked/ has been asking* silly questions!

10. What *do the people here do/ are the people here doing* in the evenings?

Complete the second sentence using the words in brackets. Do not change the meaning.

1. As he gets more experience he seems to work more efficiently.
   The more experience he gets _____ he works. **THE**

2. It's the most difficult exam I've ever taken.
   I've never _____ exam. **MORE**

3. Driving a car is easier than driving a lorry.
   Driving a lorry is not as _____ driving a car. **AS**

4. Football isn't so popular in Canada as it is in England.
   Football is _____ in England. **THAN**

5. This supermarket isn't as expensive as the one across the street.
   This supermarket is _____ the one across the street. **LESS**

6. There aren't many cities in the world which are as exciting as Rio de Janeiro.
   Rio de Janeiro is _____ exciting cities in the world. **ONE**

7. I'm not as good at maths as you.
   You _____ me. **ARE**

8. I feel much better if I do a lot of exercise.
   The _____ better I feel. **MORE**

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9. Mr Jones is better than all the other teachers I've had.
   He's the _____ had. **EVER**

10. I've never seen a worse film in my life.
    This is _____ I've ever seen. **FAR**

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