FIRST CERTIFICATE COURSE
2ND TERM TEST
2021

1) For questions 1 to 12, read the text below and decide which answer best fits each gap.

Magazines have been retouching 1_____photos for a very long time now, but it's only recently that people have begun to worry that perhaps the process has gone too far. It's true that stars are definitely looking 2_____more glamorous and 3_____ than they used to, and editors admit that in fact, very few photos are not retouched.

Look carefully and you'll see that your favourite actresses and models have 4_____ longer legs than they do in real life, their eyes are clearer, their 5_____ is thicker and their waists are slimmer. Even photos of male celebrities are retouched. They have bigger muscles, darker tans and bluer eyes into the 6_____! Famous people want to 7_____ an impression and publishers obviously want to sell more magazines. However, it's becoming a problem for young people who look 8_____ to them as role models and 9_____ looking like them.

We are constantly being told how unimportant it is to be so concerned about our appearance, but I don't think it's being 10_____ -minded to suggest that there is a problem here. Magazines might say that they are only thinking about artistic presentation, but when some children 11_____ are as young as six years of age start to worry about being thin enough to 12_____ into clothes a size smaller, then it may be time to follow in the footsteps of France and other European countries and pass some laws about it.

1	celebrity	famous	popular	trendy
2	really	lot	much	great
3	immature	youthful	innocent	childish
4	little	slightly	bit	easily
5	chest	necks	hair	lips
6	sale	bargain	deal	price
7	make	do	have	take
8	forward	down	on	up
9	pretend	want	imagine	dream
10	thin	narrow	shallow	closed
11	who	what	whom	which
12	suit	diet	fit	try

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2) For questions 1 to 11, read the text below and think of the word which best fits each gap. Use only one word in each gap.

Just how sensible is it to go off for a walk in _____ Australian bush alone, without _____ anyone you're going and without mobile? Well, that's exactly _____ 19-year-old Jamie Neale did in June 2009. He had good reason to regret not _____ his phone with him when he _____ lost and had to survive for 12 days on wild seed and berries. Rescuers were amazed to see him _____ he walked out of the bush looking in good shape.
_____ his time in the bush the temperatures at night had been below freezing, and a local mal who _____ to go hiking in the area when he was younger was surprised that Jamie had survived _____ cold weather. Some people are questioning whether this was perhaps a stunt to tell a story. How did he manage to survive the conditions with very _____ experience? Jamie, _____ family are being very supportive, hasn't spoken in much detail about his adventure, _____ perhaps we'll just have to wait to read about it in his book!

3) For questions 1 to 10, read the text below. Use the word given in capital between brackets to form a word that best fits in the gap.

The popular TV show that takes famous people back in time to trace their family history returns to our screens this evening. Clive O'Neil, TV _____ (present) and actor, talks about how _____ (frustrate) the search can be, but also how amazing it is to find blood _____ (relate) that you had never suspected existed.
From a _____ (convention) background, Clive entered show business at the age of ten when a friend of the family who worked in the industry discovered he was a _____ (talent) singer. However, five years ago he was _____ (shock) by the death of his mother he started to look into his family history. Without expert help he found the search difficult and _____ (discourage). The second time around Clive is having a lot more success and the production team have delivered _____ (rely) results. He has discovered family in all continents! Clive is _____ (hope) that viewers watching his _____ (magic) journey will be encouraged to use the many websites and databases available today to trace their roots.

4) For questions 1 to 8, complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first one, using the word given. Do not change the word given. You must use between two and five words, including the word given.

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I have a very good relationship with my brothers and sisters.
GET
I _____ with my brothers and sisters.

It was a custom in our family to always open our birthday presents in the evening.
WOULD
In our family _____ open our birthday presents in the evening.

The flight from here to the USA is shorter than the flight to Cuba.
AS
The flight from here to the USA _____ the flight to Cuba.

Would you like to come with us to the football match on Wednesday?
FANCY
Do _____ to the football match on Wednesday?

The train left a few seconds before we got to the station.
JUST
When we got to the station _____ .

David and I like a lot of the same things.
COMMON
I have _____ David.

The questions were too easy for the top class.
DIFFICULT
The questions _____ for the top class.

I didn't like one of the waiters at the restaurant, but he's left.
WHO
The waiter _____ has left the restaurant.

5) Write a **report** according to the following task.

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Your school has been asked to accept a group of 50 students from another country for two weeks. Your principal has asked you to write a report mentioning the advantages and disadvantages of accepting this group and to make your own recommendation.
Write your report in **140-190 words** in an appropriate style.

Notes:

- advantages
- disadvantages
- your own recommendation

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