TEST

I. In each line (1 – 5), identify the word (A, B, C or D) which has a different sound (звук) in the underlined part. Mark your answer on your answer sheet. Here is an example:

0. **(A)** loose **(B)** lose **(C)** case **(D)** course

Answer:

0.	A	B	C	D
		✓		

1. **(A)** chronology **(B)** archery **(C)** alchemist **(D)** archaic
2. **(A)** angle **(B)** uncle **(C)** anxiety **(D)** angina
3. **(A)** isolation **(B)** fantasy **(C)** season **(D)** lease
4. **(A)** though **(B)** threaten **(C)** synthesis **(D)** thumb
5. **(A)** chased **(B)** occurred **(C)** permitted **(D)** signalled

II. Indicate which syllable (слог) carries the stress (ударение) in the following words. Mark your answer on your answer sheet. Here is an example:

0. realise [ˈrɪəlaɪz]

00. certain [ˈsəːtn]

Answer:

0.	1st	2nd	3rd	4th
	✓			

00.	1st	2nd	3rd	4th
	✓			

6. irritable
7. ornament
8. cement
9. mountainous
10. isolated

III. Read the following sentences. Use the correct word derived from the word given in brackets. Write your word clearly in the answer box on your answer sheet.

11. The _____ (harm) of these policies is evident.
12. Peter might look a bit fierce, but actually he's fairly _____ (harm).
13. His comments were not only unkind, but _____ (harm) misleading.
14. He retired _____ (expect) from work in September.
15. We did so well – beyond all our _____ (expect).
16. She looked at him _____ (expect).

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17. Some families go without medical treatment because of their _____ (able) to pay.
18. He lay there, _____ (able) to move.
19. She is deaf, but refuses to let her _____ (able) prevent her from doing what she wants to do.
20. Plants help _____ (pure) the air.
21. The charity is run on a _____ (pure) voluntary basis.
22. The _____ (pure) of the water is a health risk.
23. Some of the more _____ (repute) newspapers made false claims about her private life.
24. I insured my property with an established, _____ (repute) company.
25. He earned a _____ (repute) as an entertaining speaker.

IV. Open the brackets putting the verb in the correct tense and voice form.

The most frightening experience in my life happened to me a few years ago while I was at university. One Saturday we went climbing in the Welsh mountains. We set off in fine spirits – the sun was shining and there was not a cloud in the sky. We (26)_____ **(*begin*)** to climb the mountain, and by lunchtime we (27)_____ **(*manage*)** to get at least halfway up. While we (28)_____ ***(eat)*** our sandwiches and mint cake we (29)_____ **(*notice*)** some dark clouds forming in the distance. We weren't worried, however, so we (30)_____ **(*continue*)** on our way. This (31) _____ **(*turn out*)** to be a big mistake – the clouds got closer and closer, then it began to snow. We (32)_____ **(*try*)** to get down the mountain, but the snowstorm became so bad that we (33)_____ ***(stick)***. Eventually we (34)_____ ***(rescue),*** but not before we (35)_____ **(*spend*)** half the night up there, cold, miserable and sure that we (36)_____ **(*all / go*)** to die. I wish it (37) _____ **(*never / happen*)**.

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V. Think of one word which is appropriate for all three gaps in each set of the following sentences. Write this word clearly in the answer box on your answer sheet.

38. _____
   a) It was a delicious _____ of fried fish and rice.
   b) The _____ got smashed to pieces when it slipped from her hands.
   c) The larger your satellite _____, the greater its reception bandwidth.

39. _____
   a) The evening news is always _____ by the same newsreader.
   b) Life _____ her with many opportunities, which she let pass her by.
   c) When he retired he was _____ with a charming gold clock.

40. _____
   a) Stewart suddenly saw a strange _____ hovering outside his window.
   b) The _____ of the man killing a large animal found on the cave wall dates back to around 2400 BC.
   c) The correct _____ should have been 54.

41. _____
   a) Human cloning is an extremely _____ issue.
   b) All the products were formulated for _____ skin.
   c) This _____ mechanism detects even the slightest movement.

42. _____
   a) When he saw her getting off the train, he ran to _____ her.
   b) Adam knew he would never find it easy to _____ the new culture.
   c) We are trying to come up with the solution which will _____ all our ideas.

VI. Read the following text and look carefully at each line. In most lines, there is one unnecessary word. It is either grammatically incorrect or does not fit in the sense of the text. For each numbered line 43 – 59, find this word and then write it in the answer box on your answer sheet. Some lines are correct. Indicate these lines with a tick (✓).

43. I had always been lucky with the holiday flights
44. until I went on a package holiday to Hawaii. The
45. journey out to there was fine, but coming
46. back was a different story. To start it with, the return flight
47. was delayed in two days which was not really a problem

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48. as I was having a good time. Unfortunately, when I finally
49. left from Honolulu, the capital, on the first part
50. of the journey, I landed in Los Angeles instead of
51. Chicago. I was taken off the plane and had to stay
52. all overnight in a hotel. The next day I got on a direct
53. flight to London, but only to end up in Minneapolis.
54. I got on another plane where a woman who began
55. running around wildly and although we all had to
56. leave off the plane because we thought she had
57. a bomb. Then there it was a storm, so we landed
58. in Boston. I finally got to home, but without one
59. suitcase which was being lost somewhere en route.

VII. Fill each of the gaps in the following text with the correct preposition. Write your preposition clearly in the answer box on your answer sheet.

Travelling by hot-air balloon may not be as fast as riding a bicycle, but it is certainly more stylish and more fun. Professional balloonists can charge (60) _____ to £100 (61) _____ an evening flight and a glass of champagne. There is never any shortage (62) _____ customers (63) _____ this exciting and romantic trip. The average balloon carries a pilot, a navigator and three or four passengers who stand (64) _____ an underhanging basket. The balloon is lifted by means of propane heated air. The view (65) _____ the balloon is breathtaking. However, those who are afraid of heights may find it difficult to get used to travelling at 3,000 feet! Certain rules of the air must be observed. Balloonists may not land on private property and should avoid landing on farmland (66) _____ case they frighten the animals. Pigs and horses are known to panic. Sheep and cattle, (67) _____ the other hand, seem unconcerned. Electricity pylons and telephone cables are also best avoided, (68) _____ obvious reasons. Anyone who has travelled (69) _____ hot-air balloon has greatly enjoyed the experience of following (70) _____ the footsteps of the Montgolfier brothers.

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VIII. Read the magazine article about one-day travel destinations. For questions 71 – 80, choose from the people A – E. The people may be chosen more than once. Mark your answer on your answer sheet.

A. Julia

Julia Finch is a busy lawyer who loves nature but doesn't get nearly enough of it sitting in her London office all day, so she often takes advantage of Wisley Garden. "My favourite thing is that there is always something new to see. The garden collection has been developing for more than 100 years. It's a lovely, peaceful place for a stroll, and it's so vast that it doesn't get crowded. I get ideas for my own garden from the great demonstration gardens full of practical ideas and techniques. I can even incorporate my other favourite hobby of photography by bringing my camera and clicking away."

B. Jessica

Jessica Green is a hardworking student who needs a break from the books once in a while, and makes Brighton her favourite one-day destination. "I love being by the sea, and it's so close to London that whenever I feel like it, I just jump on a train and in 55 minutes I'm there. Brighton evolved from a small fishing village into a famous seaside resort, and offers all the traditional attractions. I always eat at this great self-service restaurant, which is also modestly priced. My favourite spot, though, is a small strip of sand under one of the piers, where I can just sit all alone and hear nothing but the sea."

C. Martha

Martha Roberts is an architect who enjoys her job so much that her work is also her hobby. "My favourite piece of architecture to study in my free time is The Royal Pavilion in Brighton. I try to get some of my co-workers to go with me, since it isn't all that far from London, but they're usually too busy. The Pavilion was built for King George IV and if ever a building represented the concept of 'over the top', this is it. The pseudo Indian palace, with Chinese-influenced interiors, is a riot of colour, expensive fabrics, crystal and gilt. It's not the sort of style I would ever like in my own house, but I do find inspiration for my work in everything I look at."

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D. Flora

Flora Evans, a market analyst, feels she deserves an expensive treat after a busy week, which is why she often takes time to get away. "I go to Bath to visit my favourite luxury spa and enjoy the pools, which are fed by Britain's only natural hot springs. And of course, a day of pampering is never complete without some shopping. Bath is one of the best shopping destinations outside London, with many specialist shops and a number of antique shops tucked away in the narrow streets."

E. Elizabeth

Elizabeth Dosset, a sales assistant at a department store, happened upon her favourite destination by accident. "I was on a trip to Stonehenge, but the site was closed and I ended up in the town of Salisbury. There are not many residents and not many visitors, either, which is perfect since I need a break from all the people I deal with every day. I couldn't believe that a market still takes place regularly here, just as it has done since the 13th century. My favourite thing to do is observe the shopkeepers going about their business and see people running errands or just having some tea. The town is so charming and quaint that I try to go at least once a month. I wish I could go more often, though."

Which person

71. admits she would not choose something for herself? ____

72. enjoys watching people living their everyday lives? ____

73. mentions the fact that something is inexpensive? ____

74. combines another of her favourite pastimes with the place she visits? ____

75. suggests she spends a lot of money at her favourite destination? ____

76. gets to the place in less than an hour? ____

77. visits a place which gives her ideas related to her job? ____

78. sometimes has company when she visits her favourite place? ____

79. says she doesn't visit as frequently as she would like? ____

80. discovered her favourite destination purely by chance? ____

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