



**Augustinian Technical High School  
Academic English**

**Teacher:** Raquel Leiva Pereira  
**Period:** I Semester  
**Grade:** 12<sup>th</sup> Grade

**Available time:** 60 minutes  
**Total Points:** 37  
**Percentage:** 16.25%  
**Performance:**

**Student's name:**

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**Group:** 12-A / 12 - B

**Date:** February 24<sup>th</sup>, 2022

**General Instructions**

2. This instrument is INDIVIDUALLY and must be done ON THE SAME DAY OF THE APPLICATION.
3. Send it ONLY ONE TIME. If you send it two times or more, teacher will consider the one with the LOWEST SCORE.
4. Send this instrument done at: rleiva28@gmail.com
5. Sending this assessment after the deadline (fecha y hora límite) will not be accepted.
6. Make sure to send this work appropriately.
7. Evidence of cheating automatically will get a 0 (RED) and no longer considered.

**Performance Indicators**

L.1. understand main ideas/concepts and key points/details of clear standard speech on familiar, everyday subjects related to natural disasters, environmental problems, helping nature, and nonprofit and NGOs.

L.2. understand specific details in clear and organized classroom talks and presentations provided there is some prior knowledge of the topics: natural disasters, environmental problems, helping nature, and nonprofit and NGOs.

R.1. understand main idea and supporting details in straightforward factual texts regarding natural disasters, environmental problems, helping nature, and nonprofit and NGOs, well enough to talk about them afterwards.

**Procedures**

Oral Comprehension  
Written Comprehension

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**PART 1. Listen carefully each of the audios presented and choose the correct.**

**1. Audio #1**

- ☐ A study has revealed that climate change threaten sports
- ☐ A new study has revealed that climate change will threaten global sports events
- ☐ A new study has revealed that climate change will threaten sports events

**2. Audio #2**

- ☐ This group monitors climate change, development and global issues
- ☐ This group monitors climate, development and global issues
- ☐ This group monitors climate change, development and global problems

**3. Audio #3**

- ☐ Sports would be impacted why they called an accelerating climate crisis
- ☐ Sports would be impacted by what they called an accelerating climate crisis
- ☐ Sports will be impacted by what they called an accelerating climate crisis

**4. Audio #4**

- ☐ Torrential rain from a huge typhoon disrupted last year Rugby World Cup
- ☐ Torrential rains from a huge typhoon disrupted last year's Rugby World Cup
- ☐ Torrential rain from a huge typhoon disrupted last year's Rugby World Cup

**5. Audio #5. Answer questions a, b and c**

**a. The meeting time**

- ☐ The meeting was first planned for 9 a.m.
- ☐ The meeting was first planned for 11 a.m.
- ☐ The meeting was first planned for 1 p.m.



b. Moving the meeting

- ☐ Lucy wants to cancel the meeting.
- ☐ Lucy wants to bring the meeting forward.
- ☐ Lucy wants to postpone the meeting.

c. Lucy's presentation

- ☐ Lucy is nervous about her presentation.
- ☐ Lucy is looking forward to her presentation.
- ☐ Lucy isn't ready to give her presentation.

6. **Audio #6.** Listen the audio "*The best companies to work for*" and complete the blank spaces.

A new \_\_\_\_\_ has identified the top 25 companies in the USA to work for. The report comes out every year and always has some surprises. It ranked the best places to work in 2014 by taking a survey of employee \_\_\_\_\_. Top of the list was Google, which has become famous for its excellent working conditions. Google knocked Facebook off of the \_\_\_\_\_ one position. A Google software engineer earns an average salary of \$119,000 a year. He or she also gets free access to a gym, laundromat, sports facilities and a place which looks after their pets when the employee goes on holiday. One ex-employee said Google \_\_\_\_\_ are so happy that it is unusual for anyone to take time off.

Another survey released at the same time shows a slightly different \_\_\_\_\_. The careers website Glassdoor asked employees to rate how happy they are with their company, career opportunities, pay, culture, and values. It found that the consulting firm Bain and Company was the best \_\_\_\_\_ to work. Russ Hagey, Global Chief Talent Officer at Bain and Co. said: "We are incredibly proud to be named the number one best place to work." He added that: "For more than 40 years, we have placed significant focus on creating an outstanding professional and personal work \_\_\_\_\_ that in turn has fueled our growth anchored in a mission of delivering results for clients and organizations around the globe."

**Part 2. Read each of the statements and choose the correct option.**

Choose the part of speech that best completes each statement.

1. \_\_\_\_\_ was based on data from over 1.1 million people

- ☐ noun
- ☐ verb
- ☐ adjective



2. Our mental processing speed remains \_\_\_\_\_ constant.

- ☐ verb
- ☐ adverb
- ☐ adjective

3. The Dr offered hope to \_\_\_\_\_ people who worry about increasing forgetfulness or reduced brain power.

- ☐ verb
- ☐ noun
- ☐ adjective

4. \_\_\_\_\_ are currently working together on building the \_\_\_\_\_ vehicle.

- ☐ Verb / noun
- ☐ Noun / noun
- ☐ Noun / adjective

5. Being able to \_\_\_\_\_ them with the option to travel \_\_\_\_\_.

- ☐ Verb / adverb
- ☐ adjective / noun
- ☐ Verb / adjective

6. "The five-seat, all-electric taxi will be able to take off and land vertically"

**The underlined part is a:**

- ☐ adverb
- ☐ adjective
- ☐ verb

7. "However, the ash is making this difficult"

**The underlined part is a:**

- ☐ adverb
- ☐ noun
- ☐ verb



8. "Tonga's government called the eruption from the volcano and the tsunami "unprecedented"

The underlined part is a:

- ☐ adverb  
☐ noun  
☐ verb

**Part 3. According to the vocabulary studied in class, choose the correct option.**

1. His healthy bank \_\_\_\_\_ showed a long habit of savings
- ☐ balance  
☐ borrow  
☐ mortgage
2. The most common \_\_\_\_\_ can be made from your personal computer
- ☐ take out  
☐ borrow  
☐ transactions
3. Lost luggage can be \_\_\_\_\_ at the airline office.
- ☐ claimed  
☐ depart  
☐ agent
4. After the wedding, the married couple \_\_\_\_\_ for their honeymoon.
- ☐ claimed  
☐ departed  
☐ agent
5. A travel \_\_\_\_\_ can usually find you the best deals in city tours.
- ☐ agent  
☐ depart  
☐ delayed



6. When the meeting was about to finish, the director \_\_\_\_\_ a controversial topic.

- ☐ goal
- ☐ conclude
- ☐ brought up

### Written Comprehension

**Part 4.** Read the following texts and answer the questions.

<b>Perruche, Inc.</b>	
<b>Annual Meeting</b>	
<b>May 17, 20—</b>	
<b>1:00 P.M.</b>	
<b>Agenda</b>	
1. Progress report on overseas expansion	Robert Fleurat
2. Reducing waste in our plants	Madeline Costello
3. Reassessing our financial goals	Jean Duprey
4. Hiring and firing policies	Cynthia Weinstein
5. Looking ahead: priorities for the next decade	Samuel Lyon

- What was the second item presented at the meetings?
  - Progress report on overseas expansion
  - Hiring and firing policies
  - Reducing waste in our plants
- The word goals in line 3 of the agenda is closest in meaning to
  - objectives
  - needs
  - decisions
- Who read the report on hiring and firing policies?
  - Samuel Lyon
  - Cynthia Weinstein
  - Jean Duprey



July 16, 20--

Customer Service Office  
National Bank of Augusta  
1398 State Street  
Augusta, MD

Dear Customer Service Office,

I am a new customer at your bank. I opened an account with you last month, and I have recently received my first monthly statement. I find that there is a service charge on three of the checks that I wrote. I understood that this account had free checking, so I was surprised to see this charge. Perhaps it is a mistake. I am enclosing a copy of the statement. Please clarify this matter for me. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Marvin Gardner

4. Why did Mr. Gardner write this letter?
  - a. To pay his monthly utility bills
  - b. To order some free checks
  - c. To ask a question about his monthly statement
5. How many checks did he write last month?
  - a. five
  - b. three
  - c. six
6. When did he open an account at the National Bank of Augusta?
  - a. June
  - b. July
  - c. August



To: Marjorie Morgan  
From: Bill Smithers  
Subject: Recruiting

Marjorie,

We need to start looking at recruiting some new staff members over the summer. Our company has gotten lots of new contracts recently. We have abundant work and need to take on two or three new employees to help with it. We should advertise the positions as entry-level with room for promotion. We should choose the job candidates carefully as I don't want to have to end up firing anyone who turns out to be a bad match. I would like the new staff members to start work by June 10. Therefore, we should ask interested candidates to submit their applications before the end of April so that we can start interviewing in early May. Please come up with a recruiting plan and let me know. Thanks.

Bill.

7. Why does Mr. Smithers need to hire new staff members?
  - a. He has recently fired several employees
  - b. His company has a lot of work
  - c. Several employees have been promoted.
8. The word "*candidates*" in line 7, is closest in meaning to?
  - a. applicants
  - b. recommendations
  - c. descriptions
9. What does Mr Smithers ask Ms Morgan to do?
  - a. Interview job candidates
  - b. Read the major national newspaper
  - c. Make a plan to recruit new employees.

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