SECTION I - GRAMMAR AND USAGE

INSTRUCTIONS:

Read the following passage carefully, then answer the questions that follow.

Shoplifting is a crime which is rapidly on the increase in towns and cities throughout the world. It most often occurs in supermarkets and large stores where customers move freely throughout the store. Also, assistants are busy and many products are stocked within easy reach. This criminal act affects everyone, because stores have to raise their prices to cover the cost of losses caused by theft.

Shoplifting is a kind of illness affecting the rich and the poor: indeed, many thieves have been caught with full wallets. Some psychologists say that the desire to steal begins during childhood, where everything is put out of a child's way. It is also true that some people enjoy the temptation and challenge of stealing without being seen.

There are many ways of preventing shoplifting. Valuable goods should be kept behind glass or out of reach. Stores must have proper lighting and should have many workers on duty. Closed-circuit television can be used to watch customers' movements. Two-way mirrors placed around the store fulfil the same function. In some shops an electronic device is fitted to a label or tag on a product. Whenever someone attempts to walk out without paying, it gives off a high-pitched noise. Many stores employ detectives disguised as shoppers, but a thief's expertise helps him to spot someone watching him. If a shoplifter is caught, the police are usually called and the offender is arrested and charged.

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Fill in the blanks in each of the following sentences with a single word so as to complete the sense.
The word you use should be made out of a word already used in the passage.

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towns and cities throughout the world. It is a common occurrence

in small and large stores where customers have freedom of (1)_____ .
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This criminal act affects everyone. Prices are (2)_____ to
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cover the cost of losses caused by theft. Shoplifters

are considered to be (3)_____. Both rich and poor are affected.
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In many instances a (4)_____ has been caught with a full
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wallet. Psychologists say that (5) _____ develop a
Line 11

desire to steal at an early age.

For some persons, it is (6)_____ and challenging
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to steal without being seen. In order to (7)_____
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shoplifting, storeowners should keep valuable goods out of reach.

Stores should have many lights and workers should be

(8)_____of customers' movements. In some shops,
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an electronic device will give off a noise whenever someone

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