REVISION FOR THE MID- TERM TEST- GRADE 8

READING:

1: Choose the correct answer for each gap to complete the following passage.

El Nino is a weather phenomenon of the Pacific Ocean which is (1) _____ by an abnormal warming of water on the surface of the ocean. It has the (2) _____ to influence global weather patterns as it brings drought to some continents and (3) _____ rain to others. It was first noticed by fishermen coming from Spanish ports in the Pacific in the the 17th century. It got its name (Spanish for 'boy child') because it usually takes (4) _____ near Christmas time. It can cause catastrophic damage. The 1982 El Nino resulted in 1,500 deaths, but it can be a lot worse than that. Sea animals, including fish and birds, also die in large numbers. It is (5) _____ that sailors in the Pacific can smell the dead sea-life during El Nino.

1. A. happened	B. caused	C. origin	D. done
2. A. proficiency	B. power	C. practice	D. performance
3. A. wet	B. shower	C. plenty	D. heavy
4. A. away	B. care	C. part	D. place
5. A. said	B. felt	C. told	D. mistaken

2- Read the passage and choose the correct answers (A, B, C or D) to fill in the blanks.

English is widely spoken around the world. In every region, there are various distinct ways of pronunciation and speaking, these are called accents. One of the most well known English accents in the world 1. _____ British. Many people consider British accent 2. _____the best accent because it shows intelligence and cleverness. 3. _____ linguists, people who study languages, said that there is no such thing as a British accent. British people don't always have the same accent. The British Isles 4. _____ _four different countries in which there is a host of regional accents. Even in the city of London, people 5. _____ different economic backgrounds have their own way of speaking

1.	A will be	B. has been	C. was	D. is
2	A. to be	B. being	C.be	D. to have been
3.	A. Even if	B. Despite	C. However	D. Although
4.	A distinguish	B. come from	C. establish	D. consist of
5.	A. to	B. from	C in	D.at

3- *Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct word or phrase that best fits each of the numbered blanks.*

Have you ever wondered what the weather is like in other places around the world? Today, I'd like to talk about the changing seasons in my city. The winter season usually begins in December and ends in early March. The coldest month is January, and temperatures can drop below freezing for most of this month. The city usually averages about 30 inches of snow during this 3-month period. Occasionally, we have snow storms that can drop a foot of snow in a very short period of time. Spring usually arrives in late March, it's a beautiful season because the flowers start to bloom. It is sometimes windy, and this is great for flying kites. People in my city often like to go on picnics, stroll though parks, and play outdoor games. Summer starts in June and it's very dry with little rain throughout the season. Fortunately, the weather is very dry with low humidity, so it is real pleasant even on hot days. And finally, summer changes to fall in late September when the weather cools off, and the trees begin to change colors. A lot of people enjoy driving into the mountains and viewing the fall colors.

1. The passage is about……

A. the changing seasons	B. summer	C. winter	D. flowers

2. Which month is the coldest one in the winter?

A. February	B. March	C. December	D. January

3. The winter season usually begins in ……

A. December	B. March	C. November	D. January

4.Spring is a great season for ……

A. cycling	B. jogging	C. flying kites	D. games

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