

# Springfield School of English



## MID-TERM EXAM 2020

Total Score: 80 points

COURSE: 3<sup>RD</sup> YEAR

STUDENT: .....

### “READING AND WRITING”

#### INSTRUCTIONS

- Write with clear handwriting.
- Use a pencil to write and a rubber to erase.
  - Be neat, don't cross out
- Make sure you have answered all the questions.

**Reading and writing – PART 1 – 5 points**

**Questions 1 – 10**

**Read these sentences. Choose the best answer (A, B or C) for each space. For questions 1-10, mark A, B or C.**

**Example:** Portugal isn't in Asia. \_\_\_\_\_ C \_\_\_\_\_ in Europe.

**A** It                      **B** is                      **C** it's

**1** My mother was watching TV when the light \_\_\_\_\_.

**A** was going off                      **B** went off                      **C** go off

**2** When I was in France, I found difficult to \_\_\_\_\_ people.

**A** say                      **B** translate                      **C** understand

**3** He is really \_\_\_\_\_. He's always telling people what they have to do.

**A** bossy                      **B** angry                      **C** lazy

**4** I am fed \_\_\_\_\_ with the quarantine.

**A** off                      **B** in                      **C** up

**5** We \_\_\_\_\_ going to the beach when there are lots of people.

**A** don't enjoy                      **B** didn't enjoy                      **C** aren't enjoying

**6** My mum helped me to find a website after I \_\_\_\_\_ her.

**A** was asking                      **B** ask                      **C** asked

7 \_\_\_\_\_ video games is really fun.

- A** Play                      **B** To play                      **C** Playing

8 I \_\_\_\_\_ you with those bags.

- A** will help                      **B** am going to help                      **C** am helping

9 I'm sorry, I didn't hear you before. Can you \_\_\_\_\_ please?

- A** understand                      **B** tell                      **C** repeat

10 I \_\_\_\_\_ my watch while I was playing tennis.

- A** broke                      **B** broke                      **C** was breaking

## Reading and writing – PART 2

### Questions 11-20 (10 points)

For questions 11-20, complete the second sentence so that it has the same meaning as the first one.

**Example:** Mr. Thomas is Maria's brother.

Maria is Mr.Thomas' sister.

11 I can cook very well.

I am ..... cooking.

12 We are having a video conference when the webcam stops working.

We were having a video conference when the webcam .....

13 Does classical music interest you?

Are you ..... classical music?

14 Do you have any plans for tomorrow?

Are ..... anything tomorrow?

- 15 The teacher is checking his email while he is talking on the phone.  
Yesterday evening, the teacher was checking his email ..... talking on the phone.
- 16 Lucy is a very good dancer.  
Lucy ..... very well.
- 17 They came during our lunch.  
We ..... when they came.
- 18 Shall we travel by air?  
What about ..... by air?
- 19 Yesterday, I was playing the guitar. At the same time, my brother was sleeping.  
Yesterday, I was playing the guitar ..... was sleeping.
- 20 Tomorrow's weather forecast is for rain.  
It's..... tomorrow.

**Questions 21 – 25 (10 points)**

**Language functions**

**Respond to the exchanges following the instructions between brackets.**

- 21 What's your friend most annoying habit?  
\_\_\_\_\_ (Answer the question)
- 22 I think that in the future there won't be live concerts.  
\_\_\_\_\_ (Disagree politely and say why)
- 23 What time shall we meet on Saturday?  
\_\_\_\_\_ (Answer your friend's question)
- 24 What were you doing yesterday morning when I called you?  
\_\_\_\_\_ (Answer your friend's question)
- 25 \_\_\_\_\_ (You didn't understand what the teacher said. What do you say?)

### PART 3 - Reading Comprehension (15 points)

Read the text and answer the questions below.

#### Family Adventure

Niall Carton and his son, James, have spent six months preparing for a North Pole expedition. It is expected to take them two weeks and they will walk 'unaided'. This means they won't have dogs to carry their equipment. They will both pull a sledge with everything packed on it in temperatures of -40°C to the North Pole. If James, aged 15, finishes, he will become the youngest person in the world to reach the North Pole unaided.

This is not the first polar expedition for Niall. He has reached the South *and* North Poles before, but he suffered headaches and sickness at the South Pole and was seriously hurt when he fell down a wall of ice at the North Pole. He knows they will face problems. 'In the north the ice moves under your feet. It's not dangerous and it could possibly bring you closer to the pole, but this almost never happens. Usually, it takes you further away!'

Niall and his family live in Moscow, where he works as a banker. He and James spent months training in the Russian winter. They are now carrying out their last-minute training in Oslo, Norway. Soon they will fly to the Russian ice station at Barneo to begin their adventure. They will need to walk for ten hours a day. They are raising money for charity and people have already given over £7,000. They hope to reach their target of £20,000 before the end of the expedition.

**For questions 1- 3 please answer in complete sentences. (2 marks each)**

1. How long should the expedition take?

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2. How will they carry their food and equipment?

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3. If James is successful, what world record will he hold?

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For questions 4-8 cross (x) the box. (1 mark each)

4. This is Niall's first North Pole expedition      TRUE      ☐      FALSE      ☐

5. Niall was injured at the South Pole.      TRUE      ☐      FALSE      ☐

6. The moving ice at the North Pole will probably be

A. useful. ☐      B. dangerous. ☐      C. unhelpful. ☐

7. Where are Niall and James training at the moment?

A. Moscow ☐      B. Barneo ☐      C. Oslo ☐

8. How much money have they raised for charity so far?

A. £600 ☐      B. £7,000 ☐      C. £20,000 ☐

Write the words in the box (1 mark each)

9. Find the word in the passage which means the **OPPOSITE** of:

push (paragraph 1)

10. Find the word in the passage which means the **SAME** as:

badly (paragraph 2)

#### PART 4 – Writing 10 Points

##### Questions 26-35

Read the descriptions. What is the word for each one? The first letter is already there.

There is one space for each letter.

Example:

*When you disagree with someone, sometimes loudly or aggressively.*

A \_ \_ \_ \_ \_

Answer: **ARGUE**

26 A person that doesn't make jokes and laugh is...

S \_ \_ \_ \_ \_

27 An adjective to say "very big".

H \_ \_ \_ \_

28 When something is at risk of extinction we say that it is...

E \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_

29 A person who is quick to understand and learn.

C \_ \_ \_ \_ \_

30 A person who plays instruments, sings or is related to music.

M \_ \_ \_ \_ \_

31 When you express the sense of words in another language.

T \_ \_ \_ \_ \_

32 The extreme adjective of funny.

H \_ \_ \_ \_ \_

33 When something is popular for a short amount of time it's

F \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_

34 Someone who feels confidence in oneself.

C \_ \_ \_ \_ \_

35 Look or listen carefully.

P \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_

## Reading and Writing – PART 5 – 10 Points

### Questions 36 – 45

Complete Lynn's letter. Write one word for each space.

Example: 0. Thanks

Dear Louise,

0. \_\_\_\_\_ for your email!

I hope you (36) \_\_\_\_\_ a good time at your party. (37) \_\_\_\_\_ lots of people come? I'm sorry I missed it, but my parents did (38) \_\_\_\_\_ want to drive to your house in the snow. I love snow, but it isn't fun when you can't go out.

I stayed at home (39) \_\_\_\_\_ the weekend, but I went to school (40) \_\_\_\_\_ Monday. It (41) \_\_\_\_\_ snowing when we got up, so I wore shoes and not my (42) \_\_\_\_\_. It started to snow while my brother and I (43) \_\_\_\_\_ walking to school: my feet got wet. My brother hasn't got any (44) \_\_\_\_\_, so his hands were very cold!

(45) \_\_\_\_\_ soon and tell me about your party!

## Reading and Writing – PART 6 – 20 Points

Choose one of these options (You will have to write between 60-90 words)

1) You spent a month studying abroad in the house of a famous person. Write an e-mail to your friend telling him/her about the place, the things you did and the new people you met.

2) Write a story including this sentence: "I was walking to my house when I saw a shadow."

**Your choice:** \_\_\_\_\_

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