

Examenul de bacalaureat național 2015

Proba C

**de evaluare a competențelor lingvistice într-o limbă de circulație internațională
studiată pe parcursul învățământului liceal**

Proba scrisă la Limba engleză

Toate filierele, profilurile și specializările/ calificările

Model

- Toate subiectele sunt obligatorii.
- Timpul efectiv de lucru este de 120 de minute.

ÎNȚELEGEREA TEXTULUI CITIT

SUBIECTUL I

(40 de puncte)

Read the text below. Are the sentences 1-5 'Right' (A) or 'Wrong' (B)? If there is not enough information to answer 'Right' (A) or 'Wrong' (B), choose 'Doesn't say' (C). Mark A, B or C on your exam sheet.

After the success of *Batman Begins*, Christopher Nolan comes back to direct *The Dark Knight*. But Christopher Nolan's *The Dark Knight* is not just a comic book movie. It is THE comic book movie and is one of the best movies ever made.

So in *The Dark Knight*, Batman (Christian Bale) continues his reign as bringing back Gotham from its own damnation and destroying organized crime in Gotham for good. With help from Commissioner Jim Gordon (Gary Oldman) and District Attorney Harvey Dent (Aaron Eckhart), their plans are working out. But the three find themselves fighting against a criminal mastermind known as The Joker who forces Batman closer to crossing the line between a symbolic hero and a vigilante.

One of the best things about this movie is Heath Ledger's masterpiece performance as The Joker. The Joker is a villain who really tests Batman so that the latter is tempted to break his One Rule (Never to kill). Heath Ledger as The Joker had such an amazing performance that we actually believed that he was THE Joker. Heath Ledger didn't just deliver an Oscar Winning Performance, but a role that no one will ever forget.

The Dark Knight is one of the best movies in contemporary film history. Christopher Nolan did something that many thought would never be possible. He created something different and unique, inspiring directors like Sam Mendes, Ridley Scott, J.J. Abrams, and Shane Black to make their own movies more realistic.

Dark, Complex, and Unforgettable, Christopher Nolan has done something that no comic book movie has ever done before which is to transcend its genre, becoming more than a comic book movie.

(adapted from *Teen ink*)

1. Christopher Nolan is the director of The Dark Knight and Batman Begins.

A. Right

B. Wrong

C. Doesn't say

2. Commissioner Jim Gordon is one of the characters who help Batman.
- A. Right B. Wrong C. Doesn't Say
3. The Joker is a physically strong character.
- A. Right B. Wrong C. Doesn't say
4. Christopher Nolan's movie is very similar to other comic book movies.
- A. Right B. Wrong C. Doesn't say
5. There are several well developed female characters in the movie.
- A. Right B. Wrong C. Doesn't say

SUBIECTUL al II-lea

(60 de puncte)

Read the text below. For questions 1-10, choose the answer (A, B, C or D) which you think fits best according to the text.

LIKE many women these days, Aran Hissam, 35, of Melbourne, posted the news that she was pregnant on Facebook. On the morning of an ultrasound last year, she debated on the site whether to learn the baby's sex, musing "to peek or not to peek?" When she failed to post an update later that day, friends started to contact her. Ms. Hissam decided to return to Facebook to share the news that her unborn baby, a girl, had been found to have fetal hydrops and given no chance of survival. "I wanted to communicate the news to get people off my back," Ms. Hissam said in a telephone interview recently. Although her husband was at first surprised that she would share such emotional news publicly, she said, Facebook seemed like one of the least difficult ways to get the word out.

Facebook, that repository of the mundane (mealtime updates, party reminders and job changes) that people have long used to show the positive sides of their lives, is increasingly also a place they go to break difficult news. It was where the racecar driver Danica Patrick, 30, announced that she and her husband of seven years, Paul Hospenthal, 47, were "amicably" divorcing. And it is where a portrait photographer and mother of two named Alicia, 35 (who did not want her last name published because of continuing custody issues), posted a few succinct sentences about the breakup of her own marriage recently. People in her social circle were starting to hear rumors about her personal life, she said, and she wanted to address that. "I didn't want to start a pity party, but I did want to be honest about what was going on," Alicia said, adding that "One of the beautiful things about Facebook is that it's passive communication, and it gives people freedom to respond — or not — in whichever way they are most comfortable."

Posting bad news on a social media site eases the pain for the bearer of bad news and the recipient, because knowing what to say to someone who has just told you bad news can be one of the most socially fraught situations. "If you put the news on Facebook, you're also maximizing the recipient's comfort, so they can process the information on their own time," said Dr. Janet Sternberg, assistant professor of communication and media studies at Fordham University. "It's really hard to break bad news without crying or falling apart. But we can share painful news in less painful ways." Dr. Louis Manza, a professor and chairman of the psychology department at Lebanon Valley College in Pennsylvania, said: "From a cognitive perspective, it's easier to deal with it this way. You post it, come back in eight hours and read all the comments that you get, and don't have to worry about having a difficult conversation."

But some experts think that putting bad news on Facebook almost inevitably trivializes it, to the sufferer's further detriment. "If you post about someone's death or your divorce, it's not that different from typing, 'I'm going to Starbucks,'" said Dr. Carole Lieberman, a psychiatrist in Beverly Hills, Calif. Dr. Lieberman said that it is far preferable to tell people in person, as "it is very human, very real and you have to deal with your feelings." In pre-Facebook days, she pointed out, we all had to make 50 difficult phone calls or ask friends and family to help — and we all managed to do it. (adapted from *The New York Times*)

1. When writing "to peek or not to peek" on Facebook, Aran Hissam was
 - A. thinking about peeking into someone's secrets on Facebook.
 - B. considering whether to find out the sex of her baby.
 - C. writing about her baby's problems on Facebook.
 - D. musing about her friends' posts on Facebook.
2. Ms Hissam's Facebook friends contacted her later the same day because
 - A. she failed her exam and they wanted to ask her about that.
 - B. they were bored and wanted some more gossip.
 - C. she did not write a follow up concerning the gender of her baby.
 - D. she had not told them the truth and they found out.
3. Ms. Aran Hissam chose to share her news on Facebook because
 - A. she thought it was an easy way of sharing news.
 - B. she wanted to surprise her husband.
 - C. she thought it was a difficult way of sharing news.
 - D. she wanted to give an interview about her problems.
4. According to the second paragraph, Facebook is becoming a place where people
 - A. share only good news.
 - B. share only bad news.
 - C. read and share gossip.
 - D. share both good and bad news.
5. Alicia, 35, appreciates sharing personal news on Facebook because
 - A. people are free to answer or not in their own time.
 - B. it is a modern means of communication.
 - C. people can get comfortable when they use it.
 - D. she doesn't want to use her full name.
6. According to the third paragraph, posting bad news on social sites
 - A. is considerably easier for the person who shares such news.
 - B. is easier for both the person who shares and the ones who receive it.
 - C. is much easier for the persons who have to read such news.
 - D. should not be an option; only positive news should be shared.

7. According to some experts, sharing bad news on social sites
- A. makes it seem very important.
 - B. makes the sufferer trivial.
 - C. should be done from Starbucks.
 - D. makes it seem less important.
8. According to Dr. Carole Lieberman, a psychiatrist in Beverly Hills, bad news
- A. should not be shared under any circumstances.
 - B. should be told in person to those concerned.
 - C. should be shared only on Facebook.
 - D. should be shared only over the telephone.
9. The writer of this article
- A. wants to convince the reader that sharing negative news on Facebook is trendy.
 - B. talks about people who share their divorce stories on social sites such as Facebook.
 - C. presents examples and opinions related to sharing negative news on social sites.
 - D. wants to convince the reader not to share their negative news on social sites.
10. The tone of this article is
- A. subjective.
 - B. ironic.
 - C. objective.
 - D. sarcastic.

PRODUCEREA DE MESAJE SCRISE

SUBIECTUL I **(40 de puncte)**

Your friend is currently studying in Italy and you cannot reach him/her by telephone. Write your friend an email telling him/her the latest news from home (your school progress, your family) and asking about him/her plans to come home. **Write your answer in 80 - 100 words.**

SUBIECTUL al II-lea **(60 de puncte)**

You have a friend who has just broken up with his/her boyfriend/girlfriend. Your final remark is *Don't cry because it's over, smile because it happened*. Write an opinion essay expanding on the quote. **Write your essay in 180 - 200 words.**