

SECTION 1 (FCE format)

PART 1

For questions 1-12, read the text below and decide which answer A, B, C or D best fits each space. There is an example at the beginning (0).

→ Example: 0

(A) on the way

B under way

C in the way

D by the way

EXAMS

It's the end of the school year and the exam period is (0) on the way. Undoubtedly, exams

(1) _____ pressure on both students and parents alike.

Most parents would like to see their children (2) _____ academically, as they believe a good education gives them an added advantage in life. They want to see their children settled in a rewarding job and be (3) _____ well off. But is that what their children have planned for themselves? Apparently not.

Most students either can't think that far ahead or have no (4) _____ of doing so. They would rather aim low so as not to be disappointed if they get low marks.

However, child psychologists, who have been (5) _____ on the matter, stress that students should aim high, but at the same time have a(n) (6) _____ of other options. As a result, students will not have to worry about grades and in the long (7) _____ will have better chances of succeeding.

On the whole, there are many practical things that parents can do and which may prove invaluable to their children.

(8) _____ being people their children can (9) _____ to, parents can plan a reasonable schedule that both they and their children (10) _____ on. According to psychologists' (11) _____, this schedule should include no more than eight hours of studying, three proper meals a day and some exercise. Finally, prior to each exam, parents need to (12) _____ their children that everything will be fine whatever the result.

1	A force	B set	C put	D bring
2	A to succeed	B succeeding	C have succeeded	D been succeeding
3	A richly	B economically	C financially	D valuably
4	A intention	B demand	C opinion	D reaction
5	A consulted	B recommended	C suggested	D advised
6	A amount	B sum	C variety	D selection
7	A time	B run	C term	D process
8	A Nevertheless	B Apart from	C Instead of	D As far as
9	A turn	B communicate	C depend	D apply
10	A approve	B accept	C agree	D confirm
11	A clues	B instructions	C announcements	D directions
12	A ensure	B insure	C make sure	D reassure

PART 2

For questions 13-24, read the text below and think of the word which best fits each space. Use only one word in each space. There is an example at the beginning (0).

WHY SLEEP IS NECESSARY

Thomas Edison, the inventor (0) of the light bulb, thought that sleep was unnecessary and that a society that operated (13) _____ sleep would be an ideal (14) _____. However, he was wrong. Nowadays, we are living in a society which is sleeping less than ever and this has resulted (15) _____ many negative effects.

According (16) _____ police reports, more than twenty five percent of motorway accidents are directly or indirectly attributed to lack of sleep. It is true that people (17) _____ to sleep nine hours a night, whereas today they sleep seven (18) _____ even less. This is because our (19) _____ of life has changed and we are trying to squeeze activities like (20) _____ television, shopping or going to the gym in our 24-hour day.

Lack of sleep also has a negative effect on our health. Research that has (21) _____ carried out on animals continuously deprived of sleep has shown that they are likely to die. Of course, experiments of this kind are highly unlikely to (22) _____ carried out on humans (23) _____. The longest period of wakefulness which broke the record was eleven days. This experiment showed that after a few days without sleep, the mind and body were unable to function normally.

To put it in a nutshell, the vast majority of us (24) _____ an adequate amount of sleep, in every twenty-four-hour period.



PART 3

For questions 25-34, read the text below. Use the word given in capitals at the end of each line to form a word that fits in the space in the same line. There is an example at the beginning (0).

SHARKS *or* DOLPHINS ?

Ambitious athletes will go to great (0) *lengths* In order to succeed in their sport if there is a (25) _____ of them participating in the Olympic Games and even winning a medal.

This is the case with the American swimming team who are in (26) _____ for next year's Olympics. Their coach has (27) _____ himself with the way sharks move through water in order to (28) _____ the swimmers' stroke and eventually maximise their (29) _____ and speed. Swimming like sharks could give them the advantage they require, though altering their style may seem a(n) (30) _____ experience at first.

The (31) _____ of British swimmers, however, find the dolphins' movements easier to adopt. By copying them, swimmers can cover a greater (32) _____, thus increasing their (33) _____ of winning gold in the next Olympics. Of course, only time will tell which "fish" will swim (34) _____.

LONG
POSSIBLE

TRAIN
FAMILIAR
STRONG
EFFICIENT

PLEASANT
MAJOR
DISTANT
LIKELY
FAST

PART 4

For questions 35-42, complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the word given. Do not change the word given. You must use between two and five words, including the word given. There is an example at the beginning (0).

➔ Example: 0 When I was younger, I played tennis every Sunday.
used When I was younger, I _____ *used to play* _____ tennis every Sunday.

35 Speeding in the city is against the law.

forbidden It _____ in the city.

36 There was no need for you to bring an umbrella.

not You _____ an umbrella.

37 A burglar entered Mr Steinberg's office last night.

into Mr Steinberg _____ last night.

38 No one helped us organise the festivities this year.

by We _____ this year.

39 He failed to deliver the parcel on time.

succeed He _____ the parcel on time.

40 People expect her to establish her own business soon.

set She _____ her own business soon.

41 I get the impression that Jenny is worried about something.

seems Jenny _____ about something.

42 I believe she switched off the heater before going out.

turned She _____ the heater before going out.

SECTION 2 (ECCE format)

Grammar

Choose the correct answer.

- The teacher got the students _____ the schoolyard.
a. clean b. to clean
c. cleaned d. cleaning
- You _____ to go to the supermarket. I have everything we need for the cake.
a. needn't b. haven't
c. don't need d. had better not
- The soldiers were made _____ the whole camp.
a. to be painted b. to paint
c. paint d. be painted
- A cousin of _____ has decided to leave her job as a journalist and follow a career in modelling.
a. our b. ours
c. ourselves d. us
- Could you please go to the grocery store on your way home? We've _____ of tomatoes.
a. made out b. turned out
c. run out d. put out
- You should have your hair _____ for your sister's wedding.
a. styling b. style
c. styles d. styled
- Mr. Blake's party _____ to win the elections.
a. is being expected b. is expected
c. is been expected d. is expect
- "Jim, don't forget _____ Jason up from the airport this afternoon."
a. picking b. to pick
c. pick d. to picking
- You must _____ a great time on your vacation. You seem happy and relaxed.
a. have b. had
c. be had d. have had
- This project _____ by the end of this month.
a. will have finished b. will have be finished
c. will be finishing d. will finished

Vocabulary

Choose the correct answer.

- I wasn't satisfied with the _____ I was getting, so I decided to quit my job.
a. allowance b. income
c. salary d. reward
- It was difficult to _____ the extent of the damage at first sight.
a. predict b. suppose
c. assume d. estimate
- We only had a few days _____, so we decided to go somewhere close.
a. available b. spare
c. ready d. handy
- The student _____ cheating on the test although her teacher caught her in the act.
a. denied b. refused
c. rejected d. resisted
- The third contestant managed to win _____ of the difficult questions.
a. except b. on behalf
c. regardless d. thanks
- Julie lost her _____ and started screaming at her colleagues.
a. contact b. temper
c. chance d. control
- As soon as I get paid, I will pay all my _____.
a. deposits b. sums
c. debts d. budgets
- We complained to the restaurant manager about the _____ service.
a. scarce b. insufficient
c. short d. inadequate
- Now that the children had grown up and were _____, she had a lot of free time.
a. independent b. engaged
c. incapable d. relevant
- I want to _____ that I turned off all the lights in the house, so I'll go back and check.
a. insure b. reassure
c. make sure d. inquire