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**FINAL EXAM – ODD SEMESTER
ENGLISH
ACADEMIC YEAR 2024/2025
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1. Choose the correct option!

1. Ben has no hair at all – he's (A. bald, B. short).
2. How much is this (A. pair, B. couple) of jeans?
3. You should wear a comfortable (A. suit, B. tracksuit) to do sport.
4. Jessica has got dark hair. She's blond now because she's wearing (A. make up, B. wig).
5. Anton is tall and very good- (A. looking, B. watching).
6. He's got short, (A. curly, B. round) brown hair.

2. Read the text and decide if the sentences are true or false.

IS CHOICE A GOOD THING?

Sometimes, houses in one street, which look the same as those in the next street, can cost thousands of pounds more. Why? The answer is 'catchment area'. This is the area from which each school in Britain takes its students. According to the previous regulations, children should go to the school which is the closest to their home. If the school is good, parents are happy to pay extra to live in the school's catchment area and give their children a good education. Now, a new law gives parents more choice about which school their child can go to. Schools can say 'No' to children even if they live in the school's catchment area. It doesn't often happen, but schools can fill up and refuse to take any more students.

To decide who gets in, there is a points system. Those who live closest to the school get more points. Those who have brothers or sisters at the school also get more points. This is a good idea as it is easier for parents and nice for the children but it can cause problems.

One reason this happens is because of cheating. Some families rent a house or flat near to a good school but don't actually live in it. They give the school the address of the rented property because it's near the school. When their oldest child gets into the school, they can stop renting. The oldest child then has a place and any future younger brothers or sisters are more likely to get a place there, even though the family don't really live near the school. That means fewer places for the local children.

Parents can now apply to up to six schools. Unfortunately, some children don't get into any of them. The local education authority must then choose a school for them but these are often very bad schools and can also be a long way away from the children's home.

Many people would like to go back to the traditional catchment area idea. Choice is great when you get what you want but not so good for those who end up with no choice at all.

1. A good school could make house prices higher. (T F)

2. Under the old law, children could go to any school in the catchment area. (T F)
3. Because of the new law, a school must take every child in its catchment area. (T F)
4. Not everyone thinks the new points system is a good idea. (T F)
5. Some families rent a flat near the school for their children to live in. (T F)
6. When their oldest child gets a place at the good school, the family move house. (T F)
7. A girl with an older brother can definitely get a place at the same school. (T F)
8. Parents choose a maximum of six schools with the new system. (T F)
9. Some children don't get into any of the schools they choose. (T F)
10. According to the writer, the new law giving a choice of school is bad for everyone. (T F)

3. Complete the sentences with the verbs in the box. You can use some of the verbs more than once.

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1. In some countries, only boys _____ an education.
2. You finished first in the running trial – you should _____ proud of yourself.
3. You must get 50 points out of 100 to _____ this exam.
4. Our school is so big that new students usually _____ lost.
5. Mr. Smith's exams are very difficult – I often _____ badly.
6. We _____ a uniform at my school: a white T-shirt and black trousers.
7. You should _____ good at foreign languages – your Mum is French!
8. Please _____ me the pencils so I can finish my homework.
9. Don't forget to _____ your jacket; it's cold outside!
10. I can't wait to _____ a new book to read this weekend!

4. Writing

You recently took part in Outing Day at your school. Describe the Outing Day in your blog.

In your blog entry:

- Specify when the Outing Day was.
- Explain what usually happens on an Outing Day at your school.
- Say which activities you think the most interesting.
- Explain what happened and how it made you feel.
