



## Semester 2 Midterm Test : Kanlayanee English Program

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### I. Vocabulary

#### A.) Types of stories

Circle the appropriate type of story for each number.

1. Historical / *Crime* novels interest me because I'm fascinated by the past.
2. Most *romantic* / science fiction novels are set in the future.
3. My sister is reading a crime / *romantic* novel about a bank robbery.
4. I love *autobiographies* / fantasy novels because they're so different from real life.
5. You can read her life story in her *horror* / autobiography novel.

#### B.) Elements of a story

Complete the text with the correct element of a story.

ending | character | villain | setting | hero

My favourite novels are by a writer called Arthur Conan Doyle. He wrote crime novels with very clever plots. The <sup>6</sup>setting was always in England in the 19th century, and the <sup>7</sup>hero was a detective called Sherlock Holmes. The other main <sup>8</sup>character in the stories was Holmes's friend, Dr Watson. There was also an evil <sup>9</sup>villain called Moriarty who Sherlock Holmes was always trying to catch. The stories are all very entertaining – and there is nearly always a surprise <sup>10</sup>ending.

#### C.) Storytelling in the Caribbean

Complete the sentences with the words in the list.

Dialogue	Culture	Everyday	Riddle	Appeared
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11. My favourite dialogue in the story is when the hero leaves his home town and says goodbye to the crowds in the main square.
12. In the novel, everyday life for the main character was very hard.
13. In the opening of the story, a girl suddenly appeared at the door.
14. I've been thinking about the crime in the novel for days, but I can't solve the riddle.
15. The author's Caribbean culture inspired her to choose Barbados as the setting of the novel.

### II. Grammar

#### A.) Relative Pronouns

A. Join the sentences using a relative pronoun.

16. He's the writer. He was on TV last night.  
He's the writer who was on TV last night.
17. Autumn is my favourite season. The leaves look beautiful.  
Autumn is my favourite season when the leaves look beautiful.
18. He loves visiting Paris. He has lots of friends there.  
He loves visiting Paris where he has lots of friends.
19. My best friend moved to Hollywood. His mother writes film scripts.  
My best friend moved to Hollywood whose mother writes film scripts.

20. I'd like to read the novel. It won a prize last year.  
I'd like to read the novel that won a prize last year.

### B.) Relative clauses with *which*

Join the pairs of sentences with *which*.

21. It's terrible. Millions of people in the world can't read or write.  
Millions of people in the world can't read or write, which is terrible.

22. Dan lost his lunch money. This made him sad.  
Dan lost his lunch money, which made him sad.

23. It's interesting. Not many people buy newspapers these days.  
Not many people buy newspapers these days, which is interesting.

24. I heard the news about the car crash. It was upsetting.  
I heard the news about the car crash, which was upsetting.

25. Hundreds of people came to my party. This was amazing.  
Hundreds of people came to my party, which was amazing.

### C.) Present passive

Complete the sentences. Use the correct form of the present passive.

26. Students at my school are not taught (not teach) how to play musical instruments.

27. The front door is locked (lock) every night at 11 o'clock.

28. Our old car is not used (not use) very much anymore.

29. Their wonderful photographs are displayed (display) on the wall in the hallway.

30. The windows are cleaned (clean) twice a month.

31. The house is painted (paint) every summer.

32. English is spoken (speak) in many countries around the world.

33. The letters are delivered (deliver) in the morning.

34. The report is not finished (not finish) yet.

35. The packages are sent (send) by express mail.

### D.) Past passive

Complete the text with the past passive form of the words in the list.

Interview	Give	Steal	Call	Take
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Our trip to the USA wasn't so great. First of all, our flight was cancelled, and we had to wait for five hours in the airport. We <sup>36</sup>were given some food for lunch, but it was terrible! When we finally arrived in New York, we <sup>37</sup>were taken to our hotel in a taxi. Then Mum's bag <sup>38</sup>was stolen as we waited in the hotel lobby. The police <sup>39</sup>were called and Mum <sup>40</sup>was interviewed by them for two hours. Not a brilliant start to the holiday!

### E.) Storytelling Expressions

Complete the dialogue using storytelling expressions.

**SAM** The strangest thing happened to me the other day.

**MIKE** What?

**SAM** You'll never <sup>41</sup>believe what I found in the street on my way to school.

**MIKE** What?

**SAM** I found a notebook!

**MIKE** <sup>42</sup>What's so strange about that?

**SAM** Let me <sup>43</sup>finish! There was a name inside the notebook.

**MIKE** Yes ...

**SAM** And it was my name! I'd lost it the week before.

**MIKE** Wow. What are the <sup>44</sup>chances of you finding it in the street? What was in the notebook?

**SAM** <sup>45</sup>That was the annoying thing. It was old homework – there's no point handing it in now!

### III. Reading

Read the passages and answer the follow up questions according to the readings.

#### Part 1

Dear Mr. Carter,

I hope this message finds you well. I am writing to cordially invite you to an elegant evening event I am hosting at my home next Friday. The occasion is a small dinner party to celebrate the success of our recent project. We will be serving a selection of fine wines and a multi-course meal prepared by a renowned chef.

The evening will begin at 7:00 PM, and it would be a pleasure to have you join us for a delightful evening of good food, conversation, and a bit of music. Please RSVP by Wednesday so I can make the necessary arrangements.

I look forward to your presence at this special gathering.

Kind regards,

Laura Williams

#### A.) Check your understanding: true or false

Circle True or False for these sentences.

46. The event is being hosted to celebrate a recent project.      **True** False
47. The dinner party will begin at 7:00 AM.      True **False**
48. The guests will be served a simple meal and drinks.      True **False**
49. Mr. Carter should RSVP by Wednesday.      **True** False
50. The event will include music as part of the evening's activities.      **True** False

#### Part 2

Emma: Hi Jake. Are you free tomorrow evening?

Jake: I think so. What's up?

Emma: There's an art exhibition opening downtown. Would you like to come?

Jake: Hmm, I'm not really into art.

Emma: Oh, okay. What about trying that new Italian restaurant? I've heard their pasta is amazing.

Jake: Italian food sounds good, but I'm trying to stick to healthier options.

Emma: Fair enough. How about a hike? There's a group going to Blue Ridge Park.

Jake: That sounds perfect! I've been meaning to get outside more.

Emma: Great! Let's meet at the park entrance at 10 a.m. tomorrow.

51. Why doesn't Jake want to go to the art exhibition?

**A) He doesn't enjoy art.**

B) He doesn't have time.

C) He doesn't like crowds.

D) He already has plans.

