

Speaking (20 pts)

- A. Work with a partner. Choose a conversation starter from the Language for speaking box and have a conversation.

LANGUAGE FOR SPEAKING starting a conversation with a stranger

Lovely weather, isn't it?
Are you a friend of (Nicola's)?
I'm sorry to bother you, but ...
Excuse me, is anyone sitting there?
I hope you don't mind me asking, but (haven't we met somewhere before)?
Is it always this busy?
Sorry, but I couldn't help overhearing ...
So, how do you know Jonathan?
Have you lived round here/worked here/been in this class long?
Excuse me, do you mind if I ...?

Sample conversation:

A: Excuse me, is anyone sitting there?

B: No, it's free. Go ahead.

A: Thanks. It's really busy today, isn't it?

B: Yes, it is. I think there's a festival nearby.

A: Oh, that makes sense. I'm not from here. I'm just visiting for the weekend.

B: Nice! Where are you from?

A: I'm from Santa Cruz. What about you?

B: I live here in Cochabamba. Have you been here long?

A: Just two days. I love the weather and the food!

B: That's great. You should definitely try *salteñas* if you haven't already.

A: I will! Thanks for the recommendation.

- B. Choose the correct option A–F to complete the mini-dialogues. There is one letter that you don't need.

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| A | Excuse me, do you mind if | D | Have you been in this class long? |
| B | I hope you don't mind me asking | E | I couldn't help overhearing |
| C | So, how do you know Jack? | F | Lovely weather, isn't it? |

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Anya ____

Ivana Well, we spent a fair bit of time together while we were volunteering in the rainforest.

2

Lars ____

Helen It's long overdue, I say – it's hardly been spring-like recently, has it!

3

Henri ____, but weren't you at that charity event in town last week?

Carly I think you must be confusing me with someone else.

4

Jacek Sorry, ____ – did you just say that Bridge Street is closed?

Kazumi That's right. Traffic's being diverted via Park Street.

5

Zara ____ I close the window?

Emre Not at all.

Listening (20 pts)

- C. ▶ A woman called Gita is leaving a voicemail message for her colleague. Listen and complete the message. Write two missing words in each space.

Hi Angela. It's Gita. I just thought I'd touch base with you because I thought you might

¹ _____ to know how we're progressing with the project. Well, I'm pleased to report that in terms of the schedule, we're on track and should be able to deliver ² _____ within the next week. We're ³ _____ the last stage now and just waiting for the testing department to complete their checks. I'll actually ⁴ _____ holiday from next Monday, so someone else will be looking after things. I don't know ⁵ _____ will be yet, but I'll let you know as soon as I do and I'll send you an email as a follow-up to this call. Thanks.

D. ▷ Listen to six definitions. Which words are being defined? Write the number next to each word.

facilities _____	independently _____	shift _____
globally _____	resident _____	private _____
growth _____	separately _____	properties _____
household _____	supported _____	socially _____

Writing/Grammar (25 pts)

E. Complete the sentences with the correct form of the words from the box.

adjust	ancestor	ceremony	citizen	community	costume	decorate
		immigrant	neighbourhood	parade		

1. Although my grandfather was born in Ireland, he became a Canadian _____ after living in the country for a number of years.
2. People wore some fabulous colourful _____ during the festival.
3. The USA receives thousands of _____ each year from many different countries around the world.
4. I've often wondered where my _____ came from originally and what their lives were like.
5. Our _____ is a very peaceful one – there's never any trouble and everyone's friendly.
6. It took some time for everyone to _____ to the new working practices.
7. A _____ celebrating our town's history passes through the High Street every 1 May.
8. Everyone in the local _____ was angry about plans to build another supermarket in the village.
9. The opening _____ at the London Olympics was one of the best I've ever seen.
10. It took ages to _____ my sister's birthday cake, but I wanted it to look perfect!

F. Complete the text. Use one word in each space.

When the day of the exam comes, make ¹ _____ you give yourself plenty of time to do everything: remember to have breakfast, but don't drink ² _____ much. Arrive on time, but not too early, or you may get nervous while you wait.

During the exam, ³ _____ yourself down by taking deep breaths and thinking positively. Read the questions carefully and underline all the key words which indicate how the questions should be ⁴ _____. If possible, start with the ⁵ _____ you are sure you know. This will increase your confidence. Remember what you've learned from doing practice exams and plan how to make the most of your time. Don't panic ⁶ _____ everyone around you seems to start writing straight away and don't be tempted to do the same.

After the exam, don't get involved in ⁷ _____ discussion about what other people did; it won't do you any good and you don't want ⁸ _____ lose confidence for ⁹ _____ next exam. Above ¹⁰ _____, remember that exams are not designed to catch you out, but to find out what you know and what you understand.

G. Choose the correct option a–c to complete the sentences.

1. If I had _____ more time, I might be able to help you.
a many
b a little
c a lot of
2. _____ people attended the wedding of the well-known artist.
a A large quantity of
b Hundreds of
c A great deal of
3. Jans admitted that he didn't have _____ information that could help the police.
a any
b some
c many
4. _____ of the twins is really good at maths, though neither is very creative.
a Each
b Every
c All

5. We couldn't buy both flowers and chocolates for our host because we didn't have ____ money.
 - a some
 - b little
 - c enough
6. ____ has changed at work since the last employee survey was carried out.
 - a Little
 - b Some
 - c Few
7. Considering that you spent ____ time on this essay, the result is quite disappointing.
 - a a number of
 - b a large quantity of
 - c a great deal of
8. ____ new team members are provided with a free uniform.
 - a Every
 - b All
 - c Each
9. It took me ____ minutes to install the software update.
 - a any
 - b much
 - c several
10. Did you know that ____ people in the company speak four languages fluently?
 - a a number of
 - b a large quantity of
 - c too many

H. Complete the text with *a/an, the* or - (no article).

Diwali

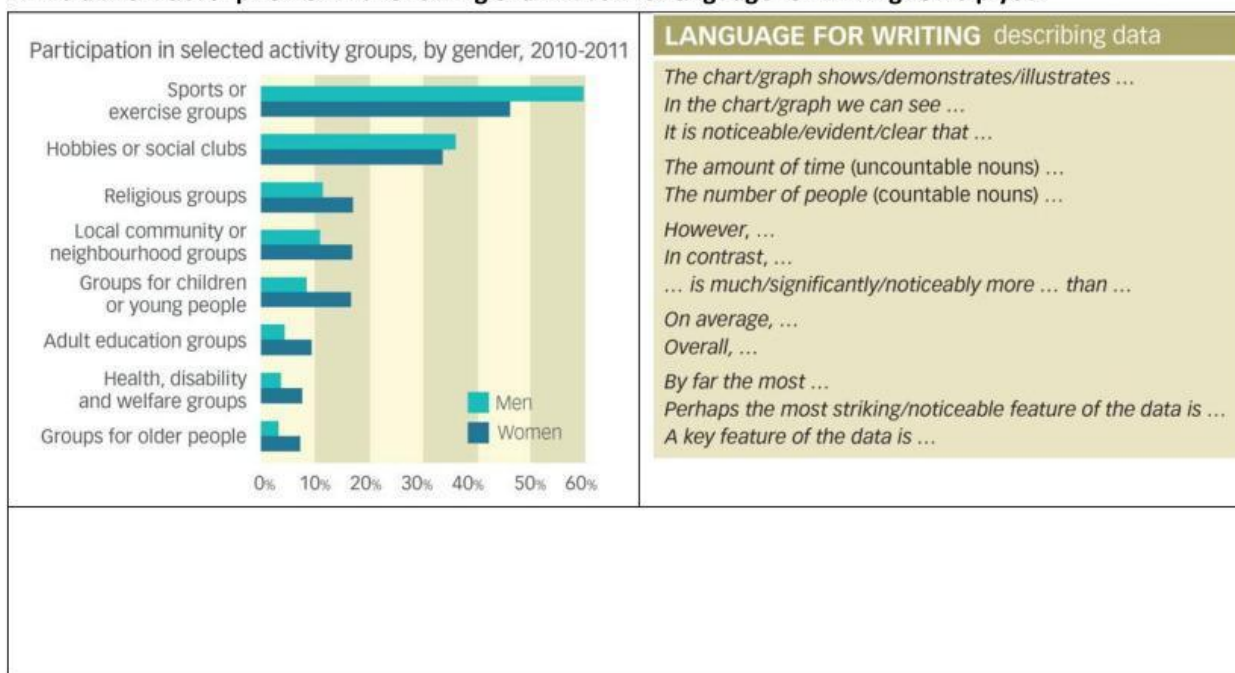
The festival of Diwali, also known as the festival of lights, is one of ¹ ____ most significant festivals in Indian culture. During ² ____ festival, millions of people attend firework displays, prayers and celebratory events held across ³ ____ world.

Diwali is celebrated by Hindus, Sikhs and Jains for ⁴ ____ variety of reasons, although the main theme which runs throughout is ⁵ ____ victory of ⁶ ____ light over darkness and ⁷ ____ good over evil. The actual day of Diwali is traditionally celebrated on ⁸ ____ festival's third day. During this time, families and friends share sweets and gifts and there is also ⁹ ____ strong belief in giving food and goods to those in need. It is traditional for ¹⁰ ____ homes to be cleaned at the time of the festival.

I. Choose the correct option a–c to complete the sentences.

1. I wonder if Ahmed and Huda have _____ yet for their wedding.
 - a set free
 - b set a date
 - c set a limit
2. James wasn't happy about having to _____ for all the mistakes that had been made.
 - a take the blame
 - b take control
 - c take a look
3. Due to my poor language skills, I can't always _____ when I'm travelling abroad.
 - a make sure of
 - b make the most of
 - c make myself understood
4. Nina thought that a holiday would _____ after the difficult year she'd had.
 - a do her good
 - b do nothing
 - c do damage
5. I hope we're not going to _____ with the technology during the conference!
 - a have an argument
 - b have any difficulties
 - c have a lie-down

J. Write a short description of the following chart. Use the Language for writing to help you.



Reading (20 pts)

K. Read the text below. Use the word given in capitals at the end of some of the lines to form a word that fits in the gap in the same line.

Although many of us might say we know exactly what a community is, the word itself does not have a nice simple ¹ _____. **DEFINE**

Firstly, a community is a model. We cannot see a whole community, we cannot touch it and we cannot ² _____ experience it. Communities may come in many shapes, sizes, colours and locations, no two of which are ³ _____. **DIRECT**

More importantly, a community is not just the people who are in it. It is something more than the sum of its parts, residents or community members. It is a set of types of communication and human ⁴ _____. **LIKE**

that have meaning and expectations between its members. And there may be communities within larger communities, ⁵ _____ districts, regions, ethnic groups, nations and other boundaries. **BEHAVE**

INCLUDE

L. Rearrange the letters in italics to make the words that complete the sentences.

- According to the latest political survey, there has been a big *hisft* in opinion and the Environment Party is now in the lead. _____
- Make sure you take full advantage of the resort's *aifclietis* – the gym and pool there are excellent. _____
- I wouldn't say I know Steve well. I've just met him *syiclola* on a few occasions. _____
- Some of the *rdisetens* of the apartment block collected money to buy plants for the entrance hall. _____
- Online crime, known as cybercrime, has increased *lboglaly* in recent years. _____