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MARK

## A. Language

### I. Choose the word that has the underlined part pronounced differently from the others.

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|-------------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|
| 1. A. responsible | B. homemaker | C. mow       | D. overworked |
| 2. A. bathe       | B. finance   | C. program   | D. cat        |
| 3. A. lifting     | B. routine   | C. split     | D. divide     |
| 4. A. clothes     | B. fold      | C. groceries | D. iron       |
| 5. A. duty        | B. clusters  | C. rubbish   | D. washing-up |

### II. Pick out the word whose stress pattern is different from that of the others. Circle A, B, C or D.

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| 1. A. Private   | B. Provide       | C. Arrange    | D. Advise    |
| 2. A. Resurface | B. Knowledge     | C. Technical  | D. Export    |
| 3. A. Medical   | B. Entertainment | C. Atmosphere | D. Suburb    |
| 4. A. Recipe    | B. Cinema        | C. Similar    | D. Expertise |
| 5. A. Indicate  | B. Forefinger    | C. Procedure  | D. Enemy     |

### III. Choose the best options to fill in the blanks.

1. My mother is \_\_\_\_ for taking care of the home and the family.  
A. responsible B. takes the responsibility C. take the duty D. Both B & C are correct.
2. Women usually manage \_\_\_\_ better than men do.  
A. household finances B. household machines C. housewives D. houseplants
3. My parents \_\_\_\_\_. My mother usually does more housework than my father.  
A. divide chores equally B. split chores unequally  
C. don't share housework equally D. Both B & C are correct.
4. Equal share of household duties helps increase \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. job satisfaction B. couple satisfaction C. wedding satisfaction D. marital satisfaction
5. It's not easy to gain \_\_\_\_ between husbands and wives, even in developed countries.  
A. equal chore B. chore equally C. chore equal D. chore equity
6. He decided that he wanted to be a \_\_\_\_ while his wife worked full-time.  
A. homemaker B. house husband C. housewife D. Both A & B are correct
7. Negotiation and conflict \_\_\_\_ skills are very important to every woman in modern life.  
A. resolution B. revolution C. renovation D. communication
8. My sunflower seeds must be \_\_\_\_ twice a day so that they will sprout in a few days.  
A. watered B. dried C. picked D. spread

## B. Reading

### 1. Read the passage and do the tasks below.

While couples without a clear or equal chore division may encounter quarrels over who does what, a recent survey finds the divorce rate among couples sharing chores equally is about fifty percent higher than those in which wives do more or most of the housework, which can be a slap in the face for gender equality.

The researchers explain that modern couples organize their marriage and work out the tasks and duties, which may gradually turn their marriage into a business or contractual relationship. The woman may gradually feel less needed or happy and what's worse is that no one would care to help if something is not among their assigned chores. That seems to encourage conflicts rather than conflict resolution skills.

On the contrary, in families without equal task division women tend to be responsible for more chores than men. While they believe they can exchange their roles for their husbands', many women believe they are most naturally suited for certain tasks. They simply enjoy being involved in their children's activities, which means more chores for them. This group of women also report more marital satisfaction.

The survey also aimed to find out whether women's were happier if men shared more of the burden. In fact, they find that men report fewer family conflicts and greater well-being while women appear to be largely unmoved. This may be partly because they feel less guilty or simply learn how to have a quiet life.

### Part 2. Choose the best answers for the following questions.

1. What is the best title for the above reading text?  
A. The divorce rate among modern families B. Factors that cause conflicts between husbands and wives  
C. The share of chores and marital happiness
2. What may turn marriage into a contractual relationship?  
A. Too much housework B. The way couples organize their families and the clear-cut chore division  
C. Task and duties that are unclearly assigned
3. What does it mean by "unmoved"?  
A. happy B. disappointed C. unshaken
4. How do men feel when they do more housework than before?  
A. Happier B. Sympathetic towards women C. Reluctant



5. What can be inferred from the reading text?

A. Chores themselves do not affect one's marital satisfaction.

B. Household chores should be done by women.

C. There should be equality in everything to gain marital happiness.

6. What does the word "they" in the fourth paragraph mean?

A. Women

B. Men

C. Women & men

**Part 3. Decide whether the following statements are True (T), False (F) or Not Given (NG).**

|   | T | F | NG |
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| 1. There is an increasing divorce rate among couples in families with unequal chore division. |   |   |    |
| 2. Couples in families with equal housework division know how best to solve conflicts.        |   |   |    |
| 3. Women in families without equal task division believe they can do things that men do.      |   |   |    |
| 4. Most of the women who do more household chores have husbands working full-time.            |   |   |    |

### C. WRITING

**I. Choose the sentence which is closest in meaning with the given one.**

1. It rained during the match, but we enjoyed it all the same.

A. It rained during the match and we did not enjoy the match.

B. It rained during the match and we enjoyed it less.

C. It rained during the match and we enjoyed it in the same way as others.

D. It rained during the match but we enjoyed it.

2. Donald could not help weeping when he heard the bad news.

A. Donald could not stop himself from weeping at the bad news.

B. Donald could not allow himself to sweep at the bad news.

C. Donald could not help himself and so he wept.

D. Donald could not help himself because he was weeping.

3. "When I met my long-lost brother, I was at a loss for words."

A. When the speaker met his brother, he was puzzled about what to say.

B. When the speaker met his brother, he had much to say.

C. When the speaker met his brother, he refused to say anything.

D. When the speaker met his brother, he had nothing pleasant to say.

4. It's a pity that you didn't tell us about this.

A. I wish you told us about this.

B. I wish you would tell us about this.

C. I wish you had told us about this.

D. I wish you have told us about this.

5. Without transportation, our modern society could not exist.

A. Our modern society could not exist if there is no transportation.

B. Our modern society will not exist without having traffic.

C. If there were no transportation, our society would not exist.

D. If transportation no longer exists, our society will not either.

6. The newspaper has a circulation of five million.

A. The paper is five million years old.

B. Five million people read the newspaper.

C. Five million newspaper are put in a circle.

D. The newspaper is round in shape.

7. No sooner had they found her number than they called her.

A. They called her as soon as they found her number.

B. They found her number sooner or later.

C. They called her number sooner or later.

D. They found her number as soon as they called her.

8. He got over his illness in three months.

A. It took to get over his illness in three months.

B. It took three months for him to get over his illness.

C. It took him three months to get over his illness.

D. It took three months for his illness to get over.

9. Though he tried hard, he didn't succeed.

A. However hard he tried, he didn't succeed.

B. However he tried hard, he didn't succeed.

C. However he didn't succeed, he tried hard.

D. However he tried hard but he didn't succeed.

10. Joe still likes Madonna.

A. Joe was a fan of Madonna's for years.

B. Joe has been a fan of Madonna's for years.

C. Joe used to like Madonna years ago.

D. Joe is being a fan of Madonna.

### D. PRACTICAL SKILL

**Writing 1: Rewrite the following sentences.**

1. The year 2017 saw a steady rise of \$2 million in the amount of salt exported

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2. The price of computers decreased gradually over the period

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3. The number of visitors to Hanoi experienced an upward trend in 2014

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4. The number of students studying two languages remained stable through the period.

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5. A sharp decline of 20% was seen in the sales of history books in 2007.

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6. There was a slight growth in the quality of food in supermarkets in 2009.

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7. A remarkable decrease of 35% was seen in the percentage of smokers during the period between 1990 and 2000.

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8. The year 1979 saw an increase of 30% in the percentage of heaters in households

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