EIGHTEENTH CYCLE EXAM

UPPER INTERMEDIATE LEVEL – (1 hour 40 minutes)

INFORMATION FOR STUDENTS

There are eleven parts in this examination. Write the answers on your answer sheet.

PART 1

Questions 1-5

You are going to read a text about ***"A short history of the bagel"***. Five sentences have been removed from the text. Choose from the sentences A-F the one which fits each gap (1-5). There is one extra sentence which you don't need to use.

A SHORT HISTORY OF THE BAGEL



The bagel is known around the world as a typically New York type of food.

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The basic idea of a bread roll with a hole is centuries old.

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and in China there is similar-shaped traditional bread called *girde*. The ancient Egyptians ate a bagel-like snack, too, and there are even more examples from around the Mediterranean area.

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According to legend it was the product of the 1683 Battle of Vienna. The Polish king, Jan Sobieski, had saved Austria from the Turkish invaders. To celebrate, the Jewish bakers of Krakow made a roll in the shape of the king's stirrup –

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– and called it a "buegel" (from the German word for stirrup). There is, however, no evidence to show whether this was true or not, but the story still remains today.

It is unclear when the first bagels made their way to the United States, but by 1900,

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What is also certain is that immigrants from Eastern Europe, with their cravings for the foods of the old country, sparked the New York bagel craze.

It was the 1950s that were the real turning point. As Jewish people began to move to other parts of New York, they started to share their traditional food with the rest of the city. Bagels were mentioned in a popular cookbook of the time, and demand started to grow across America. To meet this demand, a baker named Murray Lender began to use recent inventions like the freezer and plastic packaging to distribute freshly made bagels across America.

A. But it was in Poland that today's bagel really began.
B. the metal objects you put your feet in when you ride a horse
C. but also because it has the advantage of lasting longer than freshly baked bread.
D. But it has a surprising and unusual history that goes back many years.
E. there were 70 bakeries that sold bagels on the Lower East Side of New York.
F. In Roman times, soldiers ate hard bread called buccellatum,

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PART 2

Questions 6-15

Read the text and choose the correct word for each space. For each question, mark the correct letter A, B, C or D.
Example:

0	**A**. them	**B**. us	**C**. a	**D**. the	**0**	**D**

IMDb



One of (0)... best websites I have ever visited (6)... the Internet is called IMDb.

The website (7)... it easy to see (8)... latest news about TV and films. (9)... are lots of pages with interesting posts and (10)... categories to choose from.

Unfortunately, there are many advertisements and some of (11)... can be annoying. However, I love this site, as it creates your own watch lists. It has (12)... detailed information about famous actors. In addition, you can see (13)... the latest films will be released.

To sum up, I would recommend this site to (14)... film lovers, as you will find lots of interest things.

Plus, it is attractive to look at and very easy to find things. I would suggest that you turn (15)... the pop-up ads.

6.	A in	B at	C on	D by
7.	A goes	B makes	C does	D has
8.	A the	B a	C an	D this
9.	A their	B those	C there	D these
10.	A much	B lots	C many	D number
11.	A their	B these	C those	D there
12.	A already	B well	C also	D just
13.	A that	B when	C why	D what
14.	A lots	B all	C much	D many
15.	A off	B in	C out	D over

PART 3

Questions 16-20

Read the words and give a definition in English.
Example:

0 Mortgage (n)	**0**	**Money that you borrow from a bank.**

16. upset (adj) .....

17. survey (n) .....

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18. outlet (n) .....

19. witness (n) .....

20. alibi (n) .....

PART 4

Questions 21 - 25

Write sentences using these words. You can write them in present, past or future.

Example:

0 inherit (v)	**0** When my grandmother died my dad inherited $ 100,000

21. solve (v) .....

22. knock (v) .....

23. run out of (v) .....

24. introduce (v) .....

25. found (v) .....

PART 5

Questions 26 – 30

Read the text and questions below.
For each question, mark the correct letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet.

30 days on the minimum wage



Could you change your life in just 30 days? That's the question documentary maker Morgan Spurlock asked when he filmed his new TV series, 30 Days. Martin Grady reviews the first program of the series, 30 Days on the Minimum Wage.

Spurlock, who is most famous for Supersize Me, his movie about the dangers of eating junk food, became frustrated that few people know about poverty in America. He and his fiancée, Alex, decided to film an experiment. They'd give up their jobs for a month and try to live on the minimum wage. The resulting documentary, which was filmed reality-show-style using a handheld camera, contains a powerful social message about the growing gap between rich and poor in the US.

The couple travel to Columbus, Ohio, one of the poorest cities in the US. The only apartment that they can afford to rent is filthy, in a dangerous area, and has no furniture. The heat doesn't work very well, so they're often cold. Alex begins working as a dishwasher, while Morgan does construction work with no safety equipment. Neither of them earns more than the minimum wage.

It's difficult to watch Morgan and Alex struggling in such terrible conditions. A charity gives them some furniture for free, but they have to live without reliable heat, TV, or telephone. They're exhausted all the time and begin to argue about money. The couple interview people in the same situation and listen to their stories. It's difficult to imagine, but these people have lived on the minimum wage for decades and many have children.

26. 30 Days on the Minimum Wage is ___.

A. a TV series

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B. a TV documentary

C. a movie

D. a drama series

27. Supersize Me was about ___.

A. how eating too much junk food can be bad for you

B. poverty in the US

C. the popularity of junk food

D. the popularity of overweight people

28. Morgan Spurlock is ___.

A. widower

B. single

C. married

D. engaged

29. The purpose of the experiment was to discover if Morgan and Alex could ___.

A. give up their jobs

B. get divorced

C. make a movie together

D. live on very little money

30. Morgan and Alex interviewed people ___.

A. and told them their life story.

B. who were living in the same way

C. in the same apartment building

D. who had a lot of money.

PART 6

Questions 31 – 35

Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence. You must use between one to three words.

Example:

0	Am not going

0 I've decided not to go to work today.
I ..... **am not going** ..... to work today.

31. We didn't play soccer in the morning because it was too hot.
If it hadn't been too hot in the morning, we..... soccer

32. We can't afford a new car. We don't have enough money.
We can't afford a new car. It's ..... for us.

33. She buys very few books these days.
She doesn't buy..... these days.

34. She called me because she had a problem.
She wouldn't have called me if she .....a problem.

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35. If he had followed my directions he wouldn't have gotten lost

    He got lost because he ..... my directions.

PART 7

Questions 36- 45

Read the sentences 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. There is an example at the beginning. Use from 1 to 3 words.
Example:

0 We went to a really ....interesting.... little restaurant last night. **INTEREST**

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36. The sofa in the living room was incredibly ..... I hardly slept at all.	**COMFORT**
37. My cousin is a very ..... driver! He can't stand being behind someone who is driving slowly	**PATIENCE**
38. I was really ..... I missed the flight by just five minutes.	**LUCK**
39. What is the question we always ask about ..... people?	**SUCCEED**
40. I thought it was difficult to understand but the ..... was very simple	**EXPLAIN**
41. On November 29, 1981 Natalie Wood ..... fell of the boat	**MISTERY**
42. She was the ideal witness with her expression of ..... and kindness	**HONEST**
43. He said that Bob Dylan was a very ..... American man.	**CHARM**
44. She's ..... with her work. It's always full of mistakes.	**CARE**
45. Information overload can make people less	**PRODUCTION**

PART 8

Questions 46-50

Complete the sentences using the **Third Conditional.**

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46. I ..... (help) you if you'd asked me
47. They..... (play) soccer if it hadn't rained.
48. If she hadn't been in that movie, she..... (not/become) famous.
49. We would have been on time if we ..... (not/miss) the bus.
50. If you hadn't told me, I ..... (not/know)

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