

SECTION 1 (FCE format)

PART 1

For questions 1-12, read the text below and decide which answer A, B, C or D best fits each space. There is an example at the beginning (0).

- Example: 0 **A** on the way B under way C in the way D by the way

EXAMS

It's the end of the school year and the exam period is (0) on the way. Undoubtedly, exams (1) _____ pressure on both students and parents alike. Most parents would like to see their children (2) _____ academically, as they believe a good education gives them an added advantage in life. They want to see their children settled in a rewarding job and be (3) _____ well off. But is that what their children have planned for themselves? Apparently not. Most students either can't think that far ahead or have no (4) _____ of doing so. They would rather aim low so as not to be disappointed if they get low marks. However, child psychologists, who have been (5) _____ on the matter, stress that students should aim high, but at the same time have a(n) (6) _____ of other options. As a result, students will not have to worry about grades and in the long (7) _____ will have better chances of succeeding. On the whole, there are many practical things that parents can do and which may prove invaluable to their children. (8) _____ being people their children can (9) _____ to, parents can plan a reasonable schedule that both they and their children (10) _____ on. According to psychologists' (11) _____, this schedule should include no more than eight hours of studying, three proper meals a day and some exercise. Finally, prior to each exam, parents need to (12) _____ their children that everything will be fine whatever the result.

1	A force	B set	C put	D bring
2	A to succeed	B succeeding	C have succeeded	D been succeeding
3	A richly	B economically	C financially	D valuably
4	A intention	B demand	C opinion	D reaction
5	A consulted	B recommended	C suggested	D advised
6	A amount	B sum	C variety	D selection
7	A time	B run	C term	D process
8	A Nevertheless	B Apart from	C Instead of	D As far as
9	A turn	B communicate	C depend	D apply
10	A approve	B accept	C agree	D confirm
11	A clues	B instructions	C announcements	D directions
12	A ensure	B insure	C make sure	D reassure