INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL OF MONTERREY

9th grade Language Arts Diagnostic Test

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I. Directions: Read the text below and decide which answer A, B, C or D best fits each space. (10 points)

The Price of Fame

Charlotte Church looks like a (**0**) ..... teenager, but she is far from average. She has an amazing voice. Her fans stand in (**1**) ..... for hours to get tickets for her concerts and she is often on television. Charlotte's singing (**2**) ..... began when she performed on a TV show at the age of 11. The head of a record company was so impressed by her voice that he(**3**) ..... her up on the spot. Her first album rose to number one in the charts.

Charlotte still attends school in her home town when she can. (**4**) ..... , she is often away on tour for weeks at a time. She doesn't miss out on lessons, though, because she takes her own tutor with her! She (**5**) ..... three hours every morning with him. Her exam results in all the (**6**) ..... she studies are impressive.

But how does she (**7**) ..... with this unusual way of life? She (**8**) ..... that she has the same friends as before. That may be true, but she can no longer go into town with them because everybody stops her in the street to ask for her (**9**) ..... . It seems that, like most stars, she must learn to (**10**) ..... these restrictions and the lack of privacy. It's the price of fame!

A 0.	0. **A** normal	**B** usual	**C** ordinary	**D** natural
____1.	1. **A** rows	**B** queues	**C** ranks	**D** files
____2.	2. **A** profession	**B** job	**C** labour	**D** career
____3.	3. **A** signed	**B** wrote	**C** made	**D** picked
____4.	4. **A** Although	**B** While	**C** For	**D** However
____5.	5. **A** takes	**B** utilizes	**C** spends	**D** uses
____6.	6. **A** titles	**B** materials	**C** subjects	**D** lessons
____7.	7. **A** cope	**B** adjust	**C** bear	**D** tolerate
____8.	8. **A** denies	**B** refuses	**C** insists	**D** complains
____9.	9. **A** signature	**B** autograph	**C** sign	**D** writing
____10.	10. **A** look down on	**B** make do with	**C** put up with	**D** run out of

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II. **Directions: For questions 11-20, read the text below and choose from the box the word which best fits each space. Use only one word in each space. (10 pts.)**

an	be	have	If	not
or	save	someone	to	without

How to find absolutely everything

You've searched (**0**) **all** over the house but you still can't find your keys and you're late. (**11**) ..... this sounds familiar, follow this advice to make sure it never happens again. Stop and think about where to start looking. Don't start searching (**12**)..... any idea of where the lost item could (**13**) ..... .

Lost items are often in the place they should be. Have a look in the place where it's supposed to be first. Someone might (**14**) ..... put it away for you.

Relax and take another look. When you're in (**15**) ..... agitated state of mind, it's quite possible to see the item you've lost but (**16**) ..... notice it. Take a deep breath and look properly.

Look under everything. The item you're looking for could be hidden from view - it may be under a newspaper (**17**) ..... it may have fallen off the table. Check carefully in, under, on and beside the place where the object is usually kept.

Retrace your steps. Take a few moments (**18**) ..... think about when and where you last had the item. Go back to that place and search it thoroughly.

Ask for a little help. Check that (**19**) ..... else hasn't taken it. You'll (**20**) ..... yourself valuable time and lots of effort searching when something isn't really lost, but has been "borrowed".

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III. Directions: For questions 21-26 read the text below. Use the word given in capitals at the end of each line to form a word that fits in the same line. There is an example at the beginning (0). (6 pts.)

A MEMO FROM THE MANAGING DIRECTOR

I have to bring a matter to your (**0**) attention **ATTEND**

Unfortunately we have received a lot of (**21**) ..... **COMPLAIN** from customers about late (**22**) ..... **DELIVER** of parcels. I have come to the (**23**) ..... **CONCLUDE** that the new system we introduced last month is a complete (**24**) ..... **FAIL** This seems to be due to a (**25**) ..... **COMBINE** of factors, but one of the most important ones is that some (**26**) ..... **EMPLOY** are not very responsible.

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