

GRAMMAR AND VOCABULARY TEST FORM 10 (2010-2011)

I. Choose the most suitable alternative below to fill in the gaps in the following text (A, B, C or D).

STRESS

Stress is important. We all need a certain 1) ... of it in order to lead fulfilling lives. However, if we have too much of it, it can have the opposite effect. Some people can tolerate greater 2) ... of stress than others, but most of us will 3) ... from it at some time in our lives. It is 4) ... a good idea to learn a few stress management techniques. Identifying the 5) ... of the problem we have, so that we can solve it more effectively, is one of the first steps towards reducing stress. The second is talking to a person you can trust. Not only are smoking and drinking 6) ... to our health, they actually increase stress 7) ... than reduce it. So, next time you want to relax have a warm bath or go for a walk. Walking has more than health benefits; it helps you think more 8) ... too. Pets have a calming influence on us, unless they make noise which irritates us. In fact, unwanted noises should be 9) ... as much as possible. On the other hand, laughter is one of the best ways to 10) ... yourself feel considerably better.

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| 1. A number | B bulk | C amount | D load |
| 2. A levels | B platforms | C grades | D scales |
| 3. A undergo | B suffer | C tolerate | D torture |
| 4. A therefore | B so | C however | D nevertheless |
| 5. A purpose | B occurrence | C cause | D reason |
| 6. A negative | B destructive | C harmful | D hurtful |
| 7. A more | B rather | C as | D quite |
| 8. A clearly | B well | C skillfully | D cleanly |
| 9. A subtracted | B avoided | C limited | D transported |
| 10. A succeed | B have | C do | D make |

II. Open the brackets using the correct form of the verbs.

At first, I could hardly believe it when my father 1) (*tell*) us that we were going to visit my aunt in Miami. I 2) (*always / want*) to go there and now my dream 3) (*be*) about to come true.

The night before, Dad 4) (*order*) a taxi to take us to the airport so we 5) (*not have*) to take our car.

In the taxi we were all so excited about our holiday that nobody 6) (*notice*) that it

7) (*seem / take*) much longer than usual to get to the airport. The driver 8) (*ask*) why it 9) (*take*) so long and he 10) (*say*) that if it 11) (*not be*) his first day as a taxi driver he 12) (*be*) more confident about how to get there.

It was only then that my father 13) (*realise*) how far away from the airport we 14) (*be*) at that moment. It was at least an hour away and our plane 15) (*leave*) in an hour and a half.

Finally my father 16) (*persuade*) the taxi driver to let him drive and eventually we 17) (*arrive*) at the international terminal. We all 18) (*rush*) to the check in with our suitcases, but as soon as we got there we discovered that the flight 19) (*cancel*) due to bad weather.

Our frantic rush 20) (be) for nothing.

III. Use the word given at the end of each line to form a word that fits the gap in the same line.

AN E-MAIL FAN

I think the computer is such a useful invention. Take e-mail, for example. It's such an easy and 1) (pain) way to write letters. When I was younger, I rarely ever put pen to paper, not even to say "thank you" for presents sent by 2) (thought) relatives. They must have thought I was so 3) (gratitude). Now, though, you can't keep me away from the keyboard. I can 4) (cheer) spend hours typing away on my computer, all types of messages to all types of people.

One of the worst 5) (advantageous) for me of writing by hand was always the 6) (embarrass) of knowing that people would be able to see and criticize my 7) (tidiness) handwriting and 8) (care) spelling. Now, of course, thanks to the spellcheck, I can edit what I've written quickly and 9) (effort) before I send it off. I just can't get over how 10) (wonder) fast everything is. Teenagers nowadays take all this for granted, but when I was their age, none of this existed. Young people don't realize how fortunate they are.

IV. Fill in the blanks with the suitable article or preposition.

The role of wildlife 1) modern world has always fascinated me and my ambition is to find work 2) ... this field. I have always enjoyed participating 3) ... any kind of activity which involves contact 4) ... wildlife, and I have taken every opportunity to pursue this interest. I have even taken 5) ... course 6) ... animal welfare and I went 7) ... safari to Kenya 8) age of nine 9) organized expedition. My hobbies are reading, mountain biking and skiing. I am 10) ... possession 11) current driving license and I am computer literate. I will have finished my full-time education by June this year and I would be free to take 12) post after that time. I enjoy creating things but I am able to keep my emotions 13) control 14) crisis. I also feel I have 15) ... aptitude (склонность) 16) working 17) member 18) team but I would welcome taking 19) ... responsibility 20) others.

V. Replace the underlined words by an appropriate phrasal verb.

1. I wonder if the game will ever become popular with young people. (on)
2. Why don't you criticize someone your own size? (on)
3. There's so much work to do in the office that maybe we should employ a secretary. (on)
4. Wait a minute while I get my breath back. (on)
5. The farmer threatened to make his dogs attack us. (on)

VI. Complete each sentence with THE CORRECT FORM of one of the phrasal verbs below. One is extra and shouldn't be used.

*put up *fall out *drop off *see to *drown out *get round

1. See if you can your father to give you a lift to the cinema.
2. The shouts from the audience the politician..... and no one could hear a word he was saying.
3. After a long day at work, Henry in front of TV and missed the end of the film.
4. He left home after with his parents.
5. We at a small hotel for the night.

VII. Each sentence contains a mistake. Find and correct it.

1. There was a movement among young people to revive old jazz, what was exactly the problem I was interested in.
2. Fox was one of the first US scientists to call attention to the raising levels of carbon dioxide in the atmosphere.
3. I felt really shocked when I read a report on a number of children who die from starvation in the world.
4. It was exciting and happy music, and when it finished the crowd felt well, clapping and roaring in approval.
5. The shoe factories, which job is to produce high-quality footwear, have to spend huge amounts of money on advertising as well.

VIII. Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence using the word given. Do not change the words given.

1. It's a long time since anyone gave my car a proper service. (*not*)
I a long time.
2. I can't remember who you said has won. (*say*)
Who the winner?
3. I still find it difficult to work with a computer. (*used*)
I still with a computer.
4. He was driving so fast that there was no way he was going to stop. (*such*)
He was that there was no way he was going to stop.
5. Our new Director wants you to call her "Madam". (*addressed*)
Our new Director

IX. Read the text below and look carefully at each line. Some of the lines are correct and some have a word which should not be there. If the line is correct put a tick in the space at the end of the line. If a line has a word which should not be there, put the word in the space at the end of the line.

STAGEFRIGHT

- 1..... Even the most of experienced performers suffer from
- 2..... the stagefright. Sometimes this can be so extreme that it almost completely paralyses
- 3..... the person whose concerned. They stand in the wings, their heart beating at a rate of
- 4..... 130 or 135 for a minute and often seriously think about not going on. Some even
- 5..... they find it impossible to remember the performance at all after it is over. Others
- 6..... genuinely believe they have completely forgotten all their lines or
- 7..... one of in particular. Most feel ill. They sweat and shiver and their stomachs make
- 8..... strange noises. Considering the agonies that even such as well-known actors as
- 9..... Brad Pit or Johnny Depp go through, it is surprising that less experienced
- 10..... performers ever have the courage to walk on stage at all. So next time that you are feeling nervous before a job interview or an oral examination, remember you are in good company. The world's top performers know exactly how you feel. They often feel a lot worse.