Part 2: Vocabulary

Task 1: Complete the sentences with the correct words. The first letter of each word is given.

24 The club has spent a c..... amount rebuilding the stadium; it runs into the millions.
25 With over 200 spectators, the match was a r..... success, producing impressive scores and a new world record.
26 Climbing Mount Everest is a f..... challenge even for the fittest of people.
27 The losing team made a brave, but f..... effort to catch up to their opponent.
28 The strategy was fatally f..... and the tactics employed all failed.
29 I get t..... fed up with the 'shut-down' tactics he uses to end the conversation.
30 Although team spirit is important, there's s..... competition for places on the team and individual players are driven by that.

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24 His b..... ambition to become a racing driver has been fulfilled in a big way.
25 We knew the event was going to be an u..... disaster when one of the competitors didn't show up.
26 Tennis is one of the most popular sports in the UK which is played by a v..... number of people and followed by even more.
27 I still can't believe that our team lost thanks to a d..... performance and own goal from our most expensive player.
28 He is a successful Olympian and people love him not only for his achievements on the track but also his e..... character.
29 You can never win an argument with him no matter how p..... and valid your points are.
30 Although I was p..... shy as a teenager, I turned into a confident speaker.

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Part 3: Use of English

Task 1: Read the article and decide which answer (A, B, C or D) best fits each gap.

A great comeback

While **(41)** ..... disappointed after his defeat at Wimbledon last year due to an injury, the world's number one decided to undergo an operation; a decision heavily **(42)** ..... by his support team. People believed that they had to reset their expectations quite **(43)** ..... , but he proved them all wrong. The world number one had a big year ahead to prove himself after his failure to **(44)** ..... his ranking last year, but he came back at a great level. He admitted he was fearful about his operation derailing his campaign on the tour this year, but instead we saw a **(45)** ..... change in his game. He competed extremely well considering the **(46)** ..... and didn't get **(47)** ..... by the event; his eyes were focused on the ball and his opponent and he won point after point masterfully. The Spanish tennis star admitted that winning the match today was **(48)** ..... to convince the world and himself that reports of the end of his era were **(49)** ..... exaggerated and he **(50)** ..... for excellence in his performance.

41 A finally	B bitterly	C immediately	D specifically
42 A conflicted	B believed	C influenced	D convinced
43 A systematically	B suitably	C automatically	D dramatically
44 A maintain	B include	C achieve	D deflect
45 A rigorous	B cutting-edge	C tremendous	D partial
46 A sequences	B circumstances	C approaches	D moves
47 A involved	B reflected	C confronted	D side-tracked
48 A brilliant	B crucial	C outstanding	D exhausting
49 A greatly	B positively	C cleanly	D largely
50 A reached	B strived	C challenged	D slammed

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Task 2: Read the article and decide which answer (A, B, C or D) best fits each gap.

International friendly

Critics have **(41)** ..... Brazil's defensive strategy after the team lost to Sweden in a friendly match last weekend. The manager, however, has defended the strategy and his choice of players and explained that they had no other option as the team was not in good **(42)** ..... due to a run of injuries. He added "although it is **(43)** ..... obvious that it's a mark of a good team to win when not at their best, the result was mainly **(44)** ..... to lack of confidence and not quality". The fans were not entirely **(45)** ..... that the issue was a lack of confidence or physical fitness due to **(46)** ..... training and were not satisfied that the team failed to **(47)** ..... their opponents with a sense of immediacy. Some said the match ended in **(48)** ..... failure. The Swedish fans, on the other hand, found the match **(49)** ..... enjoyable and felt their team fully deserved to come out on top. The team now face a **(50)** ..... task ahead with several important matches over the coming months.

41	A responded	B questioned	C demanded	D argued
42	A control	B direction	C shape	D condition
43	A plausibly	B intensely	C wonderfully	D blatantly
44	A down	B result	C up	D contributed
45	A agreed	B patient	C convinced	D annoyed
46	A progressive	B rigorous	C engaging	D solid
47	A confront	B defend	C deflect	D side-track
48	A vast	B reassuring	C total	D strict
49	A somewhat	B thoroughly	C whole-heartedly	D systematically
50	A daunting	B tremendous	C trivial	D dismal

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