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MIDTERM TEST (SEMESTER 2)

Time: 45 minutes

GRADE: 9

Full name:.....

Class: .....

A. WRITTEN TEST (45 minutes; 8 points)

I. LISTENING (2 points)

Task 1: Listen to a conversation between a travel agent and woman. Fill in the gaps with NO MORE THAN TWO WORD AND/OR A NUMBER. You will listen TWICE.

- The last tour bus of the day starts at (1) …….
- The price of the tickets for children under (2) ……. are 5£.
- You can get tickets from the Tour Bus office on (3) ……. Street.
- The buses leave from the …….

Task 2: Listen to a man talking about instant noodles. Decide if the following statements are true (T) or false (F). You will listen TWICE

1. Instant noodles appeared in the 19th century in Japan. .....
2. Momofuku Ando didn't succeed in making noodles immediately .....
3. Ando's cup noodles were born after he saw the American eating them .....
4. Cup noodles weren't like by many people then. .....

II. READING (2 points)

Task 1. Read the passage. Circle the best option (A, B or C).

Over the past 600 years, English has grown from a language of few speakers to become the dominant language of international communication. English as we know it today emerged around 1350, after having incorporated many elements of French that were introduced following the Norman invasion of 1066. Until the 1600s, English was, for the most part, spoken only in England and had not extended even as far as Wales, Scotland, or Ireland. However, during the course of the next two centuries, English began to spread around the globe as a result of exploration, trade (including slave trade), colonization, and missionary work. Thus, small enclaves of English speakers became established and grew in various parts of the world. As these communities **proliferated**, English gradually became the primary language of international business, banking, and diplomacy.

Currently, about 80 percent of the information stored on computer systems worldwide is in English. Two-thirds of the world's science writing is in English, and English is the main language of technology, advertising, media, international airports, and air traffic controllers. Today there are more than 700 million English users in the world, and over half of these are nonnative speakers, constituting the largest number of nonnative users than any other language in the world.

1. What is the main topic of the passage?

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A. The number of non-native users of English
B. The use of English for science and technology
C. The expansion of English as an international language

2. According to the passage, all of the following contributed to the spread of English around the world except
A. the slave trade
B. the Norman invasion
C. missionaries

3. According to the passage, approximately how many non-native users of English are there in the world today?
A. half a million
B. 350 million
C. 700 million

4. In the first paragraph, the word "proliferated" is closest in meaning to
A. expanded
B. organized
C. moved

Task 2. Read the text below and decide if the following statements are true (T) or false (F)

Buying organic produce

Organic food is the cheapest when bought directly from a farmer or producer, either via a box scheme, farmers market or farm shop. Buying local, organic food will often cost less than the non-organic equivalent. Unfortunately, most of us cannot access organic food directly from the producer, and therefore it tends to be more expensive than the basic non-organic equivalent in the supermarkets. It does pay to shops around. Some organic products cost less than premium non-organic products. You might be pleasantly surprised.

If you are on a tight budget, but would like to buy more organic food, then you could try prioritizing your purchases. Items such as organic flour, milk, bread and butter can be cheaper. If you compare prices, you may actually find that many organic brands are cheaper than their conventional equivalents and are often on special offer.

There are other reasons, besides nutrition, that people choose organic food - such as taste, to avoid pesticides and a concern for the environment. The organic movement does promote better soil and it stands to reason that in the long run, organic farming is better for overall soil quality. Let's not forget the most important factor in your diet, as far as fruit and vegetables are concerned, is to eat as much and as wide variety as possible.

1. You can save money by buying organic food in the supermarkets. .....
2. Non-organic products are, in fact, always more expensive than organic equivalents. .....
3. Organic food consumers can often get special discounts. .....
4. People who like organic food may care about environment. .....

III. WRITING (2 points)

Task 1. Rewrite the following sentences based on the given words.

1. If you are allergic to seafood, there are many other dishes for you to enjoy.
If you ..... (CAN)

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2. I want to have a holiday in Bali. It is an island in Australia.
   ..... (WHICH)
3. He has to get the IELTS certificate, so he has to go to this IELTS class.
   If it were not .....(WOULDN'T)
4. Mr Thomas has a good sense of humour. He's my English teacher.
   ..... (WHO)

Task 2. Write a paragraph (100 -120 words) about the importance of English in your daily life

You can use the following ideas as cues.

- A means to have access to worldwide information
- Recreation: read English books, watch English movies, etc.
- A useful tool for travelling

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IV. LANGUAGE FOCUS (2 points)

Task 1. Choose the word with a different way of pronunciation in the underlined part. Circle A, B or C.

1. A. d<u>o</u>nation B. h<u>o</u>peless C. pri<u>o</u>rity
2. A. qu<u>e</u>stion B. st<u>a</u>tion C. intersect<u>i</u>on

Task 2: Find the word which has a different stress pattern from the others.

1. A. bilingual B. supermarket C. contribute
2. A. canteen B. geography C. habitat

Task 3. Fill in the blank with the correct form of the given word.

1. The Opera House is one of the most well-known tourist ..... in Australia. (ATTRACT)

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2. Nhung can speak English much more……. than her sister. (FLUENCY)
3. Excessive consumption of fast food increases the risk of……. (OBESE)
4. For the more …….... tourists, there are trips into the mountain with a local guide (ADVENTURE)

Task 4. Choose the best option to complete each sentence. Circle A, B or C

1. Perhaps the three most popular ice cream …… are chocolate, vanilla and mint.
   A. ingredients B. offers C. flavours
2. You usually……vegetables like onions. It means that you cut them intro smaller pieces.
   A. chop B. whisk C. grate
3. Can I have a pizza, a dozen eggs and a……of lemonade, please?
   A. bottle B. jar C. piece
4. In August 2013, …… first tourist group …… Son Doong Cave on …… guided tour.
   A. a – the - a B. the – a - a C. the – Ø - a
5. If you want to book a packback tour, you should contact a.
   A. travel agent B. travel agency C. agent travel
6. They ……. for America with nothing but the clothes on their back.
   A. set up B. set off C. set in
7. Reading helps you learn vocabulary as you will …… new words without even realizing it when you read.
   A. face up B. look up C. pick up
8. If he really …… the question, he…… that way.
   A. understood – wouldn't answer B. understood – won't answer C. understands – wouldn't answer

D. SPEAKING TEST (2 points, approximately 3-5 minutes/ one pair of students)

* Notes:

- Students can record mp4 files and upload on google drive, then copy link into the answer sheets.

Task 1. Now let's talk about cooking and eating. Are you ready?

1. What is your favourite food?
2. Are there any types of food you don't like?
3. Do you like to cook?
4. How often do you cook?

Task 2. Now talk about the best holiday/vacation you have had. You have 1 minute to prepare

You can use the following questions as cues.

- Where/When did you go?
- What was the place like?
- What did you do there?
- Why it was the best holiday you've had?

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