

PART B: VOCABULARY & LANGUAGE (3points)

Choose the best one to complete each sentence below:

1. The train _____ goes to Madrid leaves from platform 3.
A. whom B. whose C. which D. who
2. You _____ pick those flowers ? Don't you see the sign ?
A. mustn't B. might C. must D. needn't
3. This museum has got _____ collection of antique objects in the world
A. as large B. the largest C. the larger D. the most largest
4. The company _____ for wage discrimination
A. should be sued B. should sue C. must be suing D. must sue
5. Some countries are trying to **eliminate** gender equality in many fields
A. get rid of B. inspire C. change D. raise
6. Gender differences cannot _____ a person from pursuing a job
A. imprison B. sue C. prevent D. lock
7. There is a wedding _____ for all guest after the wedding ceremony
A. honeymoon B. engagement C. expense D. reception
8. You can learn English effectively by using personal _____ devices
A. electricity B. electrical C. electric D. electronic
9. Tom thinks that his car is _____ than my car.
A. most expensive B. very expensive C. as expensive D. more expensive
10. The river Yamuna is _____ longest river of all
A. a B. the C. an D. Ø

Choose the word whose main stress is placed differently from the others:

11. A. discriminate B. fingertip C. personal D. influence

Choose the word whose underlined part is pronounced differently from the others:

12. A. equality B. digital C. bride D. device

PART C: READING COMPREHENSION (2.5 points)

Read the following passage and choose the correct answer to fill in the blanks

Janet got married to Pedro last Saturday, and we went to the wedding, which (1) place in a lovely little church in the country. Janet, the bride, wore a beautiful white dress; it had a long train made of silk, and it was carried by a young (2), who was the daughter of her elder sister. At the start, her husband-to-be, the groom was waiting for her at the front of the church. She walked down the aisle to the front with her father, and after the (3), she came back down again with her husband.

Afterwards, people took photos outside the church, and all the guests were invited to a (4) in a hotel nearby, where we all had a meal. During the meal, the best man, who was Pedro's oldest friend, made a lovely (5), and told everyone about how they had met, what it was like when they first started going out, and what Pedro had said when he had proposed. Then a few hours later, they set off on their honeymoon, which they were going to spend in Bali.

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| 1. A. found | B. held | C. took | D. stood |
| 2. A. bridesmaid | B. guest | C. best man | D. groom |
| 3. A. ceremony | B. party | C. celebration | D. custom |
| 4. A. reception | B. meeting | C. greeting | D. date |
| 5. A. talk | B. lecture | C. story | D. speech |

Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct answer to each of the questions.

Being a country of different cultural races, there is a great variety of wedding styles in the United States. However, the majority of weddings nowadays still follow a number of traditions. One of the traditions which ***dated back*** to the nineteenth century is about what a bride should wear on her wedding day. It is commonly believed that on her wedding day, the bride should carry with her "something old, something new, something borrowed, and something blue". This is because each of these things has a special meaning for the bride on this big day.

When a bride wears "something old", it reminds her of her family and the past. Thus, some brides may wear their mother's wedding dress or a piece of her jewelry. "Something new" that the bride wears means good luck and hope for a happy future with her husband. This new item is usually a pair of new shoes, or it can be a wedding dress or something else. When the bride wears "something borrowed", it symbolizes the help and support she gets from her friends and her family whenever she needs. An example of "something borrowed" can be a married friend's bridal veil or friend's handkerchief. "Something blue" means trust and faith between the bride and the groom. Nowadays, some brides are creative with this item. For example, they may have their fingernails painted blue. Nevertheless, the most popular blue item is the garter that the bride wears on her leg. Things are changing fast; however, the rituals about what the bride should wear on her wedding day remain kept strictly by a lot of women in the USA.

Question 1. What might the bride wear to remind her of her family and the past ?

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| A. her mother's wedding dress | B. A pair of new shoes |
| C. A friend's handkerchief | D. A blue garter |

Question 2. Which item symbolizes good luck and hope for a happy future ?

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| A. something old | B. something new | C. something borrowed | D. something blue |
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Question 3. When the bride wears something borrowed, what does it symbolize ?

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| A. Her past memories | B. Her wish for a better future |
| C. Support from her family and friends | D. The trust and faith between the bride and groom |

Question 4. Why do some brides have their fingernails painted blue ?

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| A. To show the importance of something blue they wear |
| B. Because so many brides paint their fingernails a blue colour |
| C. To show how creative some brides are |

D. To explain why some brides don't wear blue garters

Question 5. The word *dated back* in paragraph 1 is closest in meaning to

- A. grew well B. began C. changed D. varied

PART D: WRITING (2.5 points)

Task 1: Rewrite each of the following sentences in such a way that it means exactly the same as the original one (0. 5 pt)

1. He runs the business more successfully than his uncle
→ His uncle.....
2. Government should offer poor women more help
→ Poor women.....

Task 2: Combine the following sentences, using relative pronouns (0. 5 pt)

3. My father hardly received any formal education. He went on to become a great leader.
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4. The car dashed against a tree. My aunt bought it last month.
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