

## MOCK EXAM – Mid term 1

### COMETS

#### A) Reading

Read the text and write TRUE or FALSE.



**The Story of WhatsApp**

**A** Jan Koum was born in 1976 in Kiev, Ukraine. His family was poor and their house didn't have hot water or electricity. When Koum was 16, he and his mother went to live in California, U.S. Life was hard and they didn't always have money for food. Koum worked in a store to earn money, but he also studied computer science from books. He went to San José State University, but he didn't finish his studies.

**B** In 1997, Koum found a job with the I.T. company Yahoo! and met Brian Acton. Koum and Acton worked together for nine years and became friends. In 2007, they left Yahoo! and traveled to South America. When they returned to California, Koum and Acton applied for jobs at Facebook, but didn't get them.

**C** In 2009, Koum bought a smartphone and used apps for the first time. This gave him an idea. On Koum's 33<sup>rd</sup> birthday, he started WhatsApp with Acton. The company didn't make money right away, but Koum and Acton knew they had a good idea, so they didn't give up. And they were right. In 2015, they sold WhatsApp for \$19 billion.



1. Jan Joum was born in California.
2. He went to college and graduated in computer science.
3. Jan worked in Yahoo!
4. Jan wanted to work in Facebook, but he didn't get the job.
5. When he was 32, he started Whatsapp.
6. Jan and his partner became millionaires.

#### B) GRAMMAR

Read the text and complete with the correct option.

We bought this house in the suburbs five years ago. Before this, we <sup>1</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ in the middle of the city. It was nice because there were <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ things to do in the city. Sometimes we <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ to the cinema, sometimes we played football in the park, and sometimes we visited the mall and <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ burgers and fries. We <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ arrive late anywhere because everything was nearby. It didn't matter if we had <sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ time. I have to admit: the house in the city was small. I don't know now, but at that time, all the houses <sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ small in the city.

I like the suburbs. <sup>8</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ many things to do, but it's quieter. There <sup>9</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ festivals every month. The food they sell is amazing! There are <sup>10</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ burgers and hot dogs stands. If you like sweet things, you can buy cakes, waffles, and cookies. The only problem is...there aren't <sup>11</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ drinks stands! All of the stands sell milkshakes, and I don't like milkshakes!

	A	B	C
1	live	lived	living
2	many	much	any
3	went	go	goed
4	eat	eated	ate
5	didn't	wasn't	weren't
6	little	few	any
7	was	were	did
8	There isn't	There aren't	It
9	am	is	are
10	some	any	much
11	a	the	any

### C) VOCABULARY

Read the riddles and write the word.

1. It's round and red. People think it's a vegetable, but it's a fruit. You eat it in salads, in ketchup, and in sandwiches too. T \_\_\_\_\_
2. I'm liquid with little pieces. I'm hot, served in a pot. Eat me for lunch or dinner, with noodles or vegetables, and I'll keep you warm. S \_\_\_\_\_
3. I have a lot of trees but I'm not a jungle. I'm usually not hot, not cold. Wolves, foxes, and squirrels love to live here a lot. F \_\_\_\_\_
4. Imagine you're old. You don't work anymore. You... R \_\_\_\_\_
5. It's a tropical fruit, it grows on big trees, you can put it on pizza but if you do it, it's disgusting. P \_\_\_\_\_
6. It's something you drink in the morning. It's brown but it's not tea. And with milk it's very tasty. C \_\_\_\_\_
7. I'm a place far away from the city. I have fruit and vegetables growing around me. There are cows, sheep, chicken...and the eggs that every morning you eat. F \_\_\_

### D) WRITING

Write about Paulo Londra's life. Use the information below.

**Born:** April 12th 1998

**Grow up:** Cordoba, Argentina

**Go to college:** 2010. (for two years)

**Get married:** NO

**Have children: YES. (in 2020 and 2022)**

*Paulo Londra was born...*  \_\_\_\_\_

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