

PART I: LANGUAGE

A. Rewrite these sentences without changing their meaning. (10 points)

1. "I will never take any **risks**", said **Marty**

Marty said _____.

2. If you are not **careful**, you will **hurt yourself**.

_____, you will **hurt yourself**.

3. Joe Simpson and Simon Yates **climbed** the mountain Siula Grande in 1985.

The mountain Siula Grande _____.

4. I think **parachuting** is more interesting than **sailing**.

I think _____ as **parachuting**.

5. When I was young, I always enjoyed my **swimming lessons**.

When I was young I _____ my **swimming lessons**.

B. Multiple choice verb tenses: Choose the correct option to complete the text. (10 points)



Is she off her rocker?

Menna Pritchard (26), who says she believes that "life is about taking risks", (1) _____ (DEFENDS / IS DEFENDING / DEFENDED / WAS DEFENDING) her decision to climb steep rock faces while carrying her two-year-old daughter Ffion. Menna said: "Some people would say I'm taking more risks than are necessary. But I am very conscious of safety and I (2) _____ (WILL NEVER DO / HAVE NEVER DONE / WOULD NEVER DO / MAY NEVER DO) anything to put Ffion in danger"

However, despite her claims to respect safety, Menna has been forced to defend a controversial photograph taken as she climbed a limestone rock face with Ffion strapped to her back. While the adults wear safety helmets in the photo, Ffion's head is bare. Health and safety officials criticised her actions saying that she (3) _____ (IS / WAS / WAS BEING / IS BEING) irresponsible and placing her child's life at risk.

Menna (4) _____ (BRAKES / BROKE / HAS BROKEN / WILL BREAK) up with Ffion's dad when she was three months pregnant and moved to Wales. At the moment, she (5) _____ (STUDIES / WILL STUDY / IS STUDYING / WAS STUDYING) for a degree in outdoor education at University of Wales and works part-time as an outdoor instructor.

Ffion was just four-months-old when Menna (6) _____ (CARRIED / HAS CARRIED / WOULD CARRY / USED TO CARRY) her up Pen y Fan, the highest peak in South Wales. She said that Ffion (7) _____ (WOULD SLEEP / SLEPT / HAS SLEPT / USED TO SLEEP) through the whole experience. "She was in a front carrier at that time and it really was incredibly safe."

Since then, Menna (8) _____ (WALKED / HAS WALKED / WILL WALK / WOULD WALK) or climbed with Ffion in The Gower, a coastal beauty spot near Swansea, on the Pembrokeshire coast, and in North Wales. She added: "Rock climbing, kayaking and canoeing are all new to me, but I feel I am in my element. The idea is that it's fun and exciting for Ffion too and hopefully I (9) _____ (CAN INSPIRE / WILL INSPIRE / AM INSPIRING / HAVE INSPIRED) her and giving her access to the outdoors. Ever since Ffion was born I (10) _____ (HAVE TRIED / TRIED / WILL TRY / AM TRYING) to do mountain climbing with her or forest walking or doing beach trips."

C. Fill in the blanks with the words below. There are four extra words which you do not need to use. (10 points)

My first expedition to the Brecon Beacons



Last weekend I went on an expedition in the Brecon Beacons in Wales with my friends from school. Our teacher said that the idea of the expedition was that we got "a full outdoors experience", so we had to carry our food ourselves. We had to camp as well, so we had to bring a tent and a (1) _____. Our (2) _____ were really heavy!

After all, we had everything we needed inside them. The countryside was beautiful, and we camped between a mountain and a river.

On Saturday we walked 17 km. We were all good at map reading, except Finn. When it was his turn, we got lost! (3) _____ I had taken my (4) _____ with me on this walk. In no time we were back on the correct track, leading to the camping site. Before getting there, we went for a swim in the lake and then we put on some insect repellent to protect ourselves as we continued our journey. Our first camping day was (5) _____ much fun! At night we had sandwiches for dinner, since you (6) _____ make fires in this area – it's really dangerous. After that, we sang songs around the fire and went to sleep.

It (7) _____ have rained a bit on early Sunday morning, because when we got up the ground was wet. The rest of the day was sunny, (8) _____ was great weather for our walk. Unfortunately, the ground was still slippery and one of my friends had an accident. She had a small cut on her leg, so all she needed was a (9) _____, which she had in her backpack.

All in all, the expedition was hard work but I really enjoyed it. I learned a lot about (10) _____ and about what I can do. It was my first camping trip without my family, and I'm happy to say I didn't miss them at all! I can't wait to do another expedition with my friends next year.

MUSTN'T	DON'T HAVE TO	MYSELF	MUST
BACKPACKS	WHAT	MIGHT	WHICH
SO	FIRST – AID KIT	COMPASS	SLEEPING BAG
	SUCH	LUCKILY	

D. Complete the following dialogue with five of the options below. There are five extra options which you do not need to use. (10 points).

A risky sport

Lis: Hey Alice, long time no see! (1) _____?

Alice: Hi Lis, how's it going? I am about to start my surfing practice.

Lis: Oh, really? (2) _____?

Alice: Not really, I'm very careful and I never surf in bad weather.

Lis: That's awesome! (3) _____?

Alice: I've been surfing since I was in high school.

Lis: You must be great! I've never been good at sports... Do you think I could learn how to surf?

Alice: Definitely! (4) _____! There's a course at the beach club which starts in 10 minutes.

Stan: Thanks a lot! (5) _____, I can't wait to start.

- a) If you want I can teach you
- b) When did you begin to surf?
- c) Is it difficult?
- d) What are you doing here at the beach?
- e) Maybe next week I can start having lessons.
- f) That's a bit dangerous, isn't it?
- g) How long have you been surfing?
- h) I were you I would definitely join a surfing class.
- i) How are you today?
- j) I will go and join it right now!

PART II: READING

E. Read the passage and answer the questions.

(10 points)

The right decision?

In May 1985 two climbers, Joe Simpson and Simon Yates, left their base camp by a lake and started climbing the north face of a mountain called Siula Grande in the Peruvian Andes. This climb was incredibly dangerous but the two men were experienced climbers and physically fit. On Day 1, the weather was good and the climb began well. At night they made a snow cave and slept on the side of the mountain.



Three days later, after some very difficult climbing and bad weather, the two men stood at the summit. Unfortunately, the weather was getting worse so they didn't stay long. As they were going down a mountain ridge, a disaster happened. Simpson fell and broke his knee. Quickly, Yates tied a rope to himself and then to his friend. He began lowering Simpson down the mountain and, for hours and hours, Yates helped Simpson get down the mountain. They were getting close to the glacier at the bottom of the mountain when suddenly Simpson slipped. This time he went over the edge of a cliff. He was hanging in mid-air. Simpson shouted up to Yates, but the wind was blowing loudly and Yates couldn't hear him.

Yates didn't know what was happening below. He waited for an hour but the rope was too heavy and it was pulling Yates down the mountain towards the cliff. He had two choices: hold the rope but then both of them might die, or cut the rope and survive. It was an impossible decision for Yates but, at the last second, Yates cut the rope and saved himself. Immediately, Simpson fell thirty metres into a crevasse.

The next day, while Yates was desperately looking for Simpson, he found the crevasse. He called for Simpson but he heard nothing. Sadly, he decided that Simpson was dead. Yates didn't know it but Simpson was – unbelievably – still alive inside the crevasse.

Simpson waited for hours but when he realised Yates wasn't coming, he decided to take a risk. He had some rope so he abseiled to the bottom of the crevasse and he managed to find a way out. For three days, Simpson drank water from the snow and ice. He crawled back towards the base camp and at four o'clock in the afternoon of Day 7, Simpson was very near.

In the middle of that night, Yates was sleeping in his tent at base camp when he woke up. He was sure someone was shouting his name. Excitedly, he ran outside and looked around. Finally, after searching and searching he found Simpson. He was lying on the ground, not moving, but still breathing.

After a few days, the two men returned home and their story became famous. Unfairly, some climbers criticised Yates for cutting the rope. But, in 1988, Simpson wrote a book about the events and defended Yates. Simpson believed Yates made the right decision.

1. How did this adventure begin?

2. What happened after the climbers started going down the mountain?

3. Why did Yates cut the rope?

4. What happened to Simpson after the rope was cut?

5. How did people feel about the story once the two men returned home?

PART III: WRITING

F. Choose ONE of the following subjects and write about 100 words.

1- **A BLOG ENTRY:** Write a blog entry about a sport you practise. You may include the following information.

- What it is called and where you practise it
- The material you need to practise it (if any)
- Whether it is a group sport or not
- What you enjoy about it
- What kind of people you would recommend it to

2- **AN EMAIL:** You had a great experience during an adventurous trip. Write an email to an English-speaking friend. You may include the following information.

- When and where was this trip?
- Why did you choose to go to that place?
- What adventures did you have there?
- Compare this experience to previous ones.
- Who did you go on this trip with?
- What was your friends and family's reaction when you told them about this trip?

