BTS 8 – EOT 3 – Exam Practice

A) Read the passage and choose the best answer a, b, c or d.

Computer crime

Computers can help many workers. They can also help thieves. There was one thief who worked in a United States bank. He paid for everything he needed by cheque. Then he told the computer not to take any money from his account for the cheques he wrote. The bank's computer did what he said. It gave the shops money for his cheques, but it did not take any money from his bank account. One day the computer broke down. People had to do the computer's work. They soon found out what was happening.

Another thief who worked for a bank saw people filling in deposit forms. Many of these people did not know their account numbers, so **they** wrote only their names on the forms. They left empty the place for their account numbers. The thief wrote his own account number in this place. When the computer read these forms, it looked only at the account numbers. It did not look at the customers' names. It paid the money on these deposit forms into the thief's account.

Then there was the bank worker who told the bank computer to take ten cents off every customer's account each month and put it into his own account. For a long time, the bank's customers did not notice that they were losing ten cents every month. But then someone did notice and told the bank. That was the end of that little game!

No one really knows how much computer crime is costing the banks, but some people believe it is millions of dollars a year.

Questions:

1. The text is about .....

a) the history of computers

b) the crimes done with computers

c) angry bank customers

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2. One thief told the computer not to take any money from his .....

a) customers b) deposit forms c) account

3. The three thieves in the passage .....

a) worked in banks

b) worked in the same bank

c) made millions of dollars a day

4- How many of the thieves in the passage went to jail? .....

a) Three b) No one c) We don't know.

5. Bank customers helped one of the thieves in the text by .....

a) giving him ten cents off every deposit.

b) leaving money in the bank.

c) not writing their account numbers on deposit forms.

6. The word 'they', in paragraph 2/line 2, refers to.....

a) bank customers

b) bank workers

c) thieves

7. Because of computer crime, banks are probably losing ..... every year.

a) ten cents a customer

b) millions of dollars

c) a thousand cents

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