

NAME .....

CLASS .....

DATE .....

MARK .....

(Time: 50 minutes) \_\_\_\_\_

**1. Choose the correct item.**

1 .... what she said, she couldn't persuade him to join the club.  
**A** No matter      **C** Whereas  
**B** However      **D** Whatever

2 Debra .... her mobile phone stolen yesterday.  
**A** is having      **C** was having  
**B** has      **D** had

3 She didn't hear me calling her this morning because she .... to her MP3 player.  
**A** was listening      **C** is listening  
**B** listens      **D** listened

4 Jim was acting .... he was the manager.  
**A** how      **C** as though  
**B** in the way      **D** the same way

5 The pancakes were made .... flour, eggs and milk.  
**A** with      **B** by      **C** like      **D** as

6 Stephen is .... of all the students in the class.  
**A** taller      **C** taller than  
**B** tallest      **D** the tallest

7 She likes to go ice-skating .... the winter.  
**A** while      **B** during      **C** as      **D** when

8 I've just finished watching the most .... film ever.  
**A** thrilled      **C** thrill  
**B** thrilling      **D** thriller

9 Greg is .... athletic of all my brothers.  
**A** less      **C** the least  
**B** the less      **D** less than

10 They spoke quietly .... wake up the children.  
**A** so as not to      **C** for fear  
**B** to avoid      **D** in order not

11 Feta cheese .... in Greece.  
**A** produces      **C** is producing  
**B** produced      **D** is produced

12 Would you mind .... me £5 until tomorrow?  
**A** lend      **C** lends  
**B** lending      **D** to lend

13 That was a delicious meal. You cook very ....  
**A** well      **C** best  
**B** better      **D** good

(Points: \_\_\_\_\_)  
13x2      26

**2. Fill in the correct particle.**

- 1 The government decided to do ..... with the controversial tax.
- 2 Karen drew ..... from the window when she saw the stranger outside.
- 3 Paul gave ..... smoking last summer for health reasons.

- 4 Stella has been trying to cut ..... on the amount of sweets she eats.
- 5 She tried to smile, but her voice gave ..... the truth that she was deeply upset.
- 6 The real estate agent drew ..... a contract for the sale of the house.

(Points:         
6x2 12)

**3. Fill in the correct preposition.**

- 1 Trevor dreams ..... travelling to Japan one day.
- 2 Gary has been lacking ..... confidence since he lost his job at the bank.
- 3 The couple had a quarrel ..... which holiday destination they should choose.

- 4 That doll looks identical ..... one I have at home.
- 5 Tanya is very popular ..... all her workmates in the office.
- 6 The film was completely different ..... anything he had seen before.

(Points:         
6x2 12)

**4. Rephrase the following sentences using the words in bold.**

- 1 Kevin is always professional when he is at work.

**way** Kevin always ..... when he is at work.

- 2 Cindy is studying law because she wants to become a lawyer.

**view** Cindy is studying law ..... a lawyer.

- 3 John drove George to the airport last night.

**by** George ..... to the airport last night.

- 4 Kathy got the job although she was unqualified.

**despite** Kathy got the job ..... she was unqualified.

- 5 The child's mother insisted that he finish his homework.

**made** The child ..... his homework.

- 6 Peter is nowhere near as talented as Becky.

**far** Becky is ..... Peter.

(Points:         
6x2 12)

## 5. Read the email and fill in the gaps.

Hi Eric!

Greetings from New York! I'm having a great time here. The weather is a little 1) ..... (cold) than in England, but I really don't mind. This city is far 2) ..... (interesting) than any city I've been to before. And it's huge! The streets are much 3) ..... (wider) than back home and the buildings are 4) ..... (tall) as well. Actually, it's 5) ..... (large) city in the USA! And there is so much to see and do here. I've already visited some of 6) ..... (fascinating) museums and cultural sites. The Metropolitan Museum, for example, has one of 7) ..... (good) collections of art in the world. But 8) ..... (impressive) attraction of all was the Statue of Liberty. The view from the top was really amazing! Well, I'd better finish up now. See you when I get back!

Brian



(Points:         
8x3      24)

## 6. Complete the second sentence so that it means the same as the first. Use the correct passive form.

- 1 An Austrian actor is going to receive the award.  
The award is going ..... by an Austrian actor.
- 2 The pop star will open a new shopping centre.  
A new shopping centre ..... by the pop star.
- 3 Are the students organising an end-of-term party this year?  
Is an end-of-term party ..... by the students this year?
- 4 They may have found the criminal.  
The criminal ..... found.
- 5 They say the couple have announced their engagement.  
The couple ..... have announced their engagement.
- 6 People think that Paris is the most romantic city in the world.  
Paris ..... the most romantic city in the world.
- 7 He hasn't done the washing-up yet.  
The washing-up ..... yet.

(Points:         
7x2      14)

(Total:         
100)