10 Practice Test

READING AND USE OF ENGLISH

Part 1

For questions 1–8, read the text and decide which answer (A, B, C or D) best fits each gap. There is an example at the beginning (0).

How unique is your body?

With the increase in identity [0]theft , experts are looking for ways to replace passwords, which are essentially fallible as they rely on people [1]..... numbers to memory. Biometric identification has so far been a(n) [2]..... success with banks. Biometrics measures the [3]..... of a person through voice and fingerprint recognition. It is not entirely infallible, but it has [4]..... the respect of scientists. There are, however, some body parts which may be more reliable than fingerprints. Whilst two people may well be the [5]..... image of each other, in reality they are quite different. [6]..... twins may appear to be the same, and you may think that they are [7]..... from each other, but in fact this is just not true. Our distinctive body parts include our ears, eye movements, the shape of our skulls and our nails. So, in terms of originality, our bodies really do have the [8]..... word!

0	A fraud	(B) theft	C robbery	D copying
1	A remembering	B committing	C putting	D sticking
2	A burning	B stunning	C resounding	D endearing
3	A difference	B individuality	C peculiarity	D profile
4	A earned	B collected	C received	D acquired
5	A spitting	B cutting	C double	D duplicate
6	A Alike	B Similar	C Equal	D Identical
7	A indistinguishable	B unequal	C indifferent	D unalike
8	A last	B ultimate	C definitive	D end

Part 2

For questions 9–16, read the text and complete the gaps with one word only. There is an example at the beginning (0).

The benefits of a good cry

The act [0] of crying usually involves the shedding of tears and a change in our facial expressions, similar [9]..... that of laughing. Our breathing is shorter and the shallower our breathing the [10]..... we gulp for breath. Tears can be provoked [11]..... a whole variety of reasons and the cause is most commonly due to sadness, but [12]..... always so. Our reasons for a good weep could be for a whole host of reasons. Having said [13]....., the most common reason for crying is grief. Crying can be seen as a cry for help, in [14]..... to draw attention to ourselves as babies do; a way of communicating when words fail us; or it could be as a way of relieving stress or anxiety. Most people claim to feel better after a good cry and some studies claim that crying at a film can [15]..... a genuine mood booster. So, don't be embarrassed by your tears, let [16]..... flow.

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Part 3

For questions 17–24, read the text. Use the word given in capitals at the end of some of the lines to form a word that fits in the gap in the same line. There is an example at the beginning (0).

The mother of all demonstrations

In today's [0] competitive work of job hunting, remember that the	COMPETE
[17] ..... alone on your CV may not be enough to impress in a job interview.	QUALIFY
Managers and employers nowadays are [18] ..... interested in your interpersonal	INCREASE
skills or your soft skills. So, let me [19] ..... you as to what employers are looking for.	LIGHT
Essentially, they are looking for a CV which contains more than just academic [20] .....;	ACHIEVE
one that includes voluntary work or something involving teamwork and initiative. Be	
[21] ..... and prepare for the interview, and think of examples of how you	CONSCIENCE
have developed or are developing soft skills. An [22] ..... to demonstrate	ABLE
interpersonal skills both on the CV and in the interview room can result in a poor interview	
and evidently no job offer, so do not [23] ....., their importance. A candidate	ESTIMATE
who doesn't demonstrate effective communications skills in the first interview may well	
not be invited for a second interview. So, let this be a [24] ..... tale for those	CAUTION
of you preparing for interviews.	

Part 4

For questions 25–30, complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the word given. Do not change the word given. Use between three and six words, including the word given. Here is an example (0).

0 'Shall I open the door for you?' Angela asked me.
OFFERED
Angela offered to open the door for me.

25 You are not to speak during the exam.
NO
Under ..... you speak during the exam.

26 I thought that you had been given the job.
UNDER
I was ..... that you had been given the job.

27 According to recent reports, our general health is better than last year.
REPORTED
Our general health ..... than last year.

28 'I will give you extra homework if you are not quiet,' the teacher said.
THREATENED
The teacher ..... extra homework if they were not quiet.

29 We have agreed to try harder in class.
WILL
It has ..... try harder in class.

30 It's possible that Tom didn't turn off the computer
MIGHT
Tom ..... computer on.

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