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Answer All the questions. Write your answers in the answer booklet provided.

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Instruction: This paper consists of **FOUR (4)** questions. Answer **ALL** the questions in the answer booklet provided.

Question 1

(25 marks)

PART A: Read the passage following passage and answer the questions that follow.

(20 marks)

- 1 Eddie was a carpet fitter, and he hated it. For ten years he had spent his days sitting, squatting, kneeling or crawling on floors, in houses, offices, shops, factories and restaurants. Ten years of his life, cutting and fitting carpets for other people to walk on, without even seeing them. When his work was done, no one ever appreciated it. No one ever said "Oh, that's a beautiful job, the carpet fits so neatly." They just walked all over it. Eddie was sick of it.
- 2 He was especially sick of it on this hot, humid day in August, as he worked to put the finishing touches to today's job. He was just cutting and fixing the last edge on a huge red carpet which he had fitted in the living room of Mrs Vanbrugh's house. Rich Mrs Vanbrugh, who changed her carpet every year, and always bought the best. Rich Mrs Vanbrugh, who had never even given him a cup of tea all day, and who had made him go outside when he wanted to smoke. Ah well, it was four o'clock and he had nearly finished. At least he would be able to get home early today. He began to day-dream about the weekend, about the Saturday football game he always played for the local team, where he was known as "Ed the Head" for his skill in heading goals from the corner kicks.
- 3 Eddie sat back and sighed. The job was done, and it was time for a last cigarette. He began tapping the pockets of his overalls, looking for the new packet of Marlboro he had bought this morning. They were not there. It was as he swung around looking in his toolbox for the cigarettes that Eddie saw the lump. Right in the middle of the brand new bright red carpet, there was a lump. A very visible lump. A lump size of – the size of a packet of cigarettes. "Blast!" said Eddie angrily. "I've done it again! I've left the cigarettes under the blasted carpet!"

4 He had done this once before, and taking up and refitting the carpet had taken him two hours. Eddie was determined that he was not going to spend another two hours in this house. He decided to get rid of the lump another way. It would mean wasting a good packet of cigarettes, nearly full, but anything was better than taking up the whole carpet and fitting it again. He turned to his toolbox for a large hammer. Holding the hammer, Eddie approached the lump in the carpet. He didn't want to damage the carpet itself, so he took a block of wood and placed it on top of the lump. Then he began to beat the block of wood as hard as he could. He kept beating, hoping Mrs Vanbrugh wouldn't hear the noise and come to see what he was doing. It would be difficult to explain why he was hammering the middle of her new beautiful carpet.

5 After three or four minutes, the lump was beginning to flatten out. *Eddie imagined the cigarette box breaking up, and the crushed cigarettes spreading out under the carpet.* Soon, he judged the lump was almost invisible. Clearing his tools, he began to move the furniture back into the living room, and he was careful to place one of the coffee tables over the place where the lump had been, just to make sure that no one would see the spot where his cigarettes had been lost. Finally, the job was finished, and he called Mrs Vanbrugh from the dining room to inspect his work.

6 "Yes, dear, very nice," said the lady, peering around the room briefly. "You'll be sending me a bill, then?" "Yes madam, as soon as I report to the office tomorrow that the job is done." Eddie picked up his tools, and began to walk out to the van. Mrs Vanbrugh accompanied him. She seemed a little worried about something. "Young man," she began, as he climbed into the cab of his van, laying his toolbox on the passenger seat beside him, "while you were working today, you didn't by any chance see any sign of Armand, did you? Armand is a parakeet. A beautiful bird, just beautiful, such colours in his feathers... I let him out of his cage, you see, this morning, and he's disappeared. He likes to walk around the house, and he's so good, he usually just comes back to his cage after an hour and so and gets right in. Only today he didn't come back. *He's never done such a thing before, it's most peculiar...*"

7 "No, madam, I haven't seen him anywhere," said Eddie, as he reached to start the van.

And saw his packet of Marlboro cigarettes on the dashboard, where he had left it at lunchtime...

And remembered the lump in the carpet...

And realized the lump was...

And remembered the hammering...

And began to feel rather sick...

(Adapted from MDH 1994 – from a common urban legend)

1. Referring to Paragraph 1, why did Eddie hate being a carpet-fitter? (2 marks)
2. What do you think are the **TWO (2)** adjectives Eddie will use to describe Mrs Vanbrugh? (2 marks)
3. Why do you think Eddie was called “Ed the Head” by his friends? (2 marks)
4. Give **ONE (1)** reason why Eddie did not remove the carpet to take out the thing that was causing the lump? (2 marks)
5. “Eddie imagined the cigarette box breaking up, and the crushed cigarettes spreading out under the carpet.”(Paragraph 5, line 2)
What does this statement tell us about how Eddie was feeling at that moment? (2 marks)
6. Eddie used a block of wood and a hammer to flatten the lump in the carpet.
If you were Eddie, what would you use? (2 marks)
7. In paragraph 6, Mrs Vanbrugh said that Armand, the parakeet, “has never done such a thing before, it’s most peculiar...” Peculiar in this sentence means strange.
Give **ONE (1)** strange thing that you have done in your life. (2 marks)
8. In paragraph 7, when Mrs Vanbrugh asked Eddie about Armand, he replied, “No, madam, I haven’t seen him anywhere.”
Why do you think Eddie replied that way? (2 marks)
9. Identify words from the passage that match the meanings below. Fill in one word for each blank. (4 marks)
 - (a) a large solid piece of hard material (paragraph 4) - _____
 - (b) unable to be seen (paragraph 5) - _____
 - (c) escorted (paragraph 6) - _____
 - (d) the panel facing the driver of a vehicle (paragraph 7) - _____

PART B: Read each passage carefully, and answer the questions that follow. (5 marks)

Gina looked in the mirror at the bright red pustule on her nose. She poked at it carefully, afraid that it might burst on her dress. It was large and painful. The more she prodded it, the larger it got. *This is not how it was supposed to go!* Gina thought to herself. Then she began crying. Her mother yelled up the stairs, "Gina! Eric is here!" This news made Gina even more distraught. Now her makeup was running and just as she feared, some of it got on her dress. "Why me? Why today?" Gina lamented to herself between sobs and gasps

1. Why is Gina upset at the beginning of the passage?
2. Who is Eric?

Although many think that a koala is a bear, it is not. A koala is a type of mammal called a marsupial. A kangaroo is also a marsupial. These mammals carry their babies in a pouch. The kangaroo's pouch is on her stomach, but the koala's pouch is on her back. Both feed their babies milk and keep them secure in their pouch until they are strong enough to survive on their own.

3. The main idea of the paragraph is _____.

Computer chips have changed our way of life. With computer chips, we can make very small computers. Space scientists use these small computers in satellites and space ships. Large companies use these small computers for business. We can make very small calculators with computer chips. Some calculators are as small as a credit card, and these calculators are not very expensive. Computer chips are also used for making digital watches. A normal watch has a spring and moving hands, but a digital watch has no moving parts. A digital watch show the time and date with numbers, and some digital watches even have an alarm and a stopwatch. The computer chip makes all of this possible.

4. The main topic of the paragraph is _____.

Everett held his father's hand as he crossed the busy parking lot. They walked into a grocery store. Everett's dad lifted him into the seat of the shopping cart. "Here," said dad, "You can hold my shopping list."

5. You can infer that...
 - (a) Everett had never been to a grocery store.
 - (b) Everett's dad does not shop often.
 - (c) Everett's dad needs help with the shopping.
 - (d) Everett is very young.

Question 2

(25 marks)

PART A: Identify the underlined words in every sentence by marking the right part of speech.

(10 marks)

1. I always go to the park on the weekends.
 - a) noun
 - b) verb
 - c) adjective
 - d) adverb

2. I usually study in the library for an hour after class.
 - a) verb
 - b) adverb
 - c) adjective
 - d) preposition

3. July is my favourite month of the year.
 - a) adjective
 - b) verb
 - c) noun
 - d) conjunction

4. Her father flies to many countries in the world because he is a pilot.
 - a) verb
 - b) noun
 - c) adverb
 - d) adjective

5. My sister is a brilliant student. She got an A+ on all of her tests.
 - a) adjective
 - b) adverb
 - c) verb
 - d) noun

6. Those flowers are very beautiful. How much do they cost?
- a) verb
 - b) adverb
 - c) conjunction
 - d) pronoun
7. Yee Ming can speak Arabic very well because she lived in Egypt for a year.
- a) verb
 - b) adjective
 - c) adverb
 - d) noun
8. Dinosaurs were very large, and they lived millions of years ago.
- a) noun
 - b) verb
 - c) adjective
 - d) preposition
9. He drove his car very slowly down the mountain road.
- a) verb
 - b) adverb
 - c) adjective
 - d) conjunction
10. Western Australia is the largest state in Australia.
- a) pronoun
 - b) verb
 - c) noun
 - d) adjective

PART B: Fill in the blanks with appropriate forms of verb. Choose the answers from the options given in the brackets. (15 marks)

1. One of my friends _____ gone to France. (has / have)
2. Each of the boys _____ given a present. (was / were)
3. Neither of the contestants _____ able to win a decisive victory. (was / were)
4. Oil and water _____ not mix. (do / does)
5. He and I _____ at Oxford together. (was / were)
6. Slow and steady _____ the race. (win / wins)
7. Neither Peter nor James _____ any right to the property. (has / have)
8. No prize or medal _____ given to the winner.. (was / were)
9. Either Mary or Alice _____ responsible for this. (is / are)
10. Neither the Minister nor his colleagues _____ given any explanation for this. (have / has)
11. That _____ (was/ were) incredible.
12. The committee _____ (decide, decides) when to adjourn.
13. Gold, as well as platinum, _____ (has/have) recently risen in price.
14. The books borrowed from the library _____ (is /are) on my desk
15. Four years _____ (is/are) a long time to spend away from your friends and family.

Question 3

(25 marks)

PART A: Fill in the correct form of the verb for each blank.

(17 marks)

1. I _____ (see) a wonderful film in the cinema last night.
2. The sun _____ (shine) when the climber reached the Mount Everest.
3. I promise that I _____ (not tell) this secret to anyone.
4. They _____ (go) to the movies only once in a while.
5. When I left the house this morning, it _____ (already rain).
6. Everyone _____ (sleep), when the earthquake hit the small town.
7. She _____ (live) by herself since her divorce.
8. I was angry that I _____ (make) such a stupid mistake.
9. Our daughter _____ (graduate) from the university yet.

10. They _____ (not send) any Christmas cards last year.
11. My parents _____ (be) in New York two weeks from today.
12. My father _____ (be) an engineer, but he _____ (not/work) right now.
13. Look! That woman _____ (try) to steal the wallet.
14. I _____ (dream) when the alarm clock _____ (go off).
15. What _____ (you/do) at this time yesterday?
16. By the time I reached home they _____ (eat) all the cake.
17. We haven't _____ (see) any new movie since last year.

PART B: Complete the sentences with suitable modals from the box below. Each modal can only be used once. (8 marks)

can	could	may	might
should	must	shall	will

- Children _____ go to school.
- Before you make a decision, you _____ speak to a specialist.
- I _____ ride a horse, I love horse riding.
- Let's go, _____ we?
- Jake _____ speak some English before the training.
- _____ I please speak to Mrs. Sanders?
- I promise I _____ buy you a new phone.
- He _____ join us later, he is not sure.

Question 4

(25 marks)

PART A: Rewrite the following pairs of simple sentences into either a simple, compound or complex sentence as instructed in the bracket. (9 marks)

1. Min waited for his sister. His sister was late. (COMPOUND)
2. Sara baked cookies. It is for dessert. (SIMPLE)
3. I cannot drive to work. The car is still at the workshop. (COMPLEX)
4. The plan proved to be a failure. It was a disaster. (SIMPLE)
5. My husband was at work. I went shopping. (COMPOUND)
6. His soup was too cold. He heated it in the microwave. (COMPLEX)

PART B: Rewrite the following active sentences into passive.

(6 marks)

1. Mrs. Lee is boiling the sweet potatoes at the moment.
2. The authorities will launch a cleanliness campaign in the park.
3. The young girl helped the blind man cross the road.
4. He was writing a book.

PART C: Complete each sentence using the correct conjunction from the brackets.

(10 marks)

1. I will eat at the hawker stalls in Gurney Drive _____ I go to Penang. (once, whenever, wherever)
2. This is the place _____ we stayed last time we visited. (where, when, how)
3. _____ you win first place, you will receive a prize. (wherever, if, unless)
4. You won't pass the test _____ you study. (when, if, unless)
5. I could not get a seat, _____ I came early. (as, though, when)
6. We are leaving for home this Friday _____ or not it rains. (if, whether, though)
7. Pay attention to your work _____ you will not make mistakes. (so that, unless, or)
8. The actors delivered an inspiring performance _____ they had rehearsed often. (though, as, once)
9. She's honest _____ everyone trusts her. (if, so, when)
10. Write this down _____ you forget. (or, when, lest)

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