

...../ 3 (neatness)

Reading Comprehension & Writing: (29 pts)

Read the attached text and answer the following questions in YOUR OWN WORDS.

1. Find words in the text that mean the same as:(3 pts)

- Buying :.....purchasing.....
- Happy / pleased :.....delighted.....
- Old :.....outdated.....
- Difficult/stimulating :.....challenging.....
- Beneficial :.....rewarding.....
- Poor/underprivileged :.....deprived.....

2. Are these statements true (T) or False (F)? Justify your answer by quoting the text. (4 pts)

- a- The happiness we feel when we buy new things lasts for long.
.....F... “The problem is that people don’t stay happy, and the feeling you get when you buy something new fades.”.....
- b- Every life experience is beneficial.
.....T... “when you do new things you enjoy, you gain life experience and memories” ...OR.....
“Even if you don’t enjoy the experience, you can learn something, and often a little while later you see the positives of it.”
- c- Teenagers have a lot of money.
.....F..... “money isn’t all that easy to come by when you’re young” ...OR ...”Teenagers must then consider taking a part-time job in order to afford creating lifelong memories” OR
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- d- All fun activities are costly.
.....F..... “it doesn’t always come with a price tag”...OR “The best things in life are free” OR
“Volunteering to help in deprived areas is another way to have fun, gain experience and make friends. Way.” OR “The way I see it, no video game, jewelry or dress could outweigh conversations, jokes and quality time shared with family and friends.”

Vocabulary and Grammar: (28 pts)

1- Circle the correct answer. (6 pts)

1. When taking a part-time job, teenagers benefit *of/ from* many advantages.
2. Owing *for/ to* her academic skills, she was accepted in Harvard University.
3. He often comes *across/ out* as an arrogant man!
4. Prior *in/ to* starting street dance, she was a ballet dancer.
5. It's our duty to donate *to/ for* charities at least once a year.
6. You should have confidence *in/ at* your abilities to overcome challenges.

2- Complete the gaps with the correct form of the words in brackets. (7 pts)

1. ...Sportsmanship.....(sport) and fair play are essential values in team sports.
2. The ...findings.....(find) of the new scientific research are astonishing!
3. Throwing chemical substances is ...hazardous.....(hazard) and ...permanently
..... (permanent) pollutes the environment.
4. This project wouldn't have been a success without Nike's ...sponsorship(sponsor).
5. Bullies often say ...offensive.....(offend) and rude comments to others.
6. This story is deep and ...meaningful.....(meaning); it's about all sorts of dangers
surrounding us.

3- Complete the sentences with the correct words from the box. There are more words than you need. (5 pts)

retrievable	disclose	eccentric	compatible	scheme
incognito	prompt	oblivious	assertive	affluent

1. People in ...affluent.....countries live well and enjoy luxury.
2. Even deleted information can be ...retrievable (retrieved).....by hackers; watch
out!
3. He has to work out a new ...scheme.....in order to succeed.
4. He's a/an ...assertive (affluent/ eccentric)..... and self-confident young man.
5. Politicians often travel ...incognitoto avoid the paparazzi.

4- Complete the story with the correct form of the verbs in brackets. (10 pts)

I ...have been learning.....(learn) English for seven years now.

But last year Ididn't work/ wasn't working / didn't used to work.....(not / work) hard enough for English, that's why my marksweren't(not / be) really that good then.

As Iwant.....(want) to pass my English exam successfully next year, Iwill study/ am studying/ am going to study/ will be studying/ have studied / have been studying .(study) harder this semester.

During my last summer holidays, my parentssent.....(send) me on a language course to London. Itwas.....(be) great and I.....learnt/ learned(learn) a lot.

Before I.....went..... (go) to London, I ...didn't enjoy/ hadn't enjoyed..... (not / enjoy) learning English.

But while I.....was doing..... (do) the language course, I met lots of young people from all over the world.

By the time Ileft.....(leave), I ...had understood.....(understand) how important itis.....(be) to speak foreign languages nowadays.

Now Ihave/am having.....(have) much more fun learning English than I.....had/ have had / used to have..... (have) before the course.

At the moment Iam revising.....(revise) English grammar. And Ihave already begun....(begin / already) to read the texts in my English textbooks again.

My exam is on 15 May; Iwill have studied/ will have been studying..... (study) very hard by then. As you can see, Ihave become.....(become) a real London fan recently.