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تصميه: أُوضا يوسففرضي اخختصاصي الإرشاد الالجتماعي


# KINGDOM OF BAHRAIN <br> MINISTRY OF EDUCATION <br> DIRECTORATE OF EXAMINATION / EXAMINATION SECTION <br> GENERAL \& RELIGIOUS INTERMEDIATE CERTIFICATE <br> FIRST SEMESTER EXAM 2010/2011 

COURSE NAME : English Language
TIME: $21 / 2$ Hours

## Part 1: Listening

A- You will hear an interview with Stella Brady who is a professional photographer. For question 1-6, circle the right answer. You will hear the conversation twice.

1. Stella first won a photography competition when she was
A. 8 years old.
B. 10 years old.
C. 12 years old.
2. She first learnt about photography from
A. her parents.
B. her uncle.
C. her brother.
3. When Stella left school, she
A. got a job to make some money.
B. went on holiday before starting work.
C. did some training in photography.
4. What does Stella say about Australia?
A. She didn't enjoy taking photos there.
B. She learnt a lot about photography there.
C. She found lots of work as a photographer there.
5. In Stella's studio, you can mostly see
A. photos of weddings.
B. sports photography.
C. artistic photographs.
6. Stella is planning to $\qquad$ in the future.
A. try a new kind of photography.
B. take photographs of works of art.
C. start painting people instead.

B-You will hear a presenter talking about a race. For each question, fill in the missing information in the numbered space.

## Berkshire Half Marathon

Date:
Sunday $10^{\text {th }}(1)$
Race start time:
(2)

Place: Rivermead Leisure Complex
Facilities at Rivermead include:

- Place to leave ( 3 )
- Free massage
- Toilets
- ( 4 ) rooms
- The course is traffic-free añd controlled by Thames Valley (5)


## Facilities during the course include:

- Water, sponge and (6) stations
- First aid
- (7) support
- Live entertainment


## About the Mini Marathon

Age group:
10-16 years old
Distance:
One mile
First prize:
( 8 ) £.................

- To enter, go to the (9)

How to join:

- Entries will be received by (10)
$8^{\text {th }}$ March.


## Part 2: Reading

(34 marks)

## A- Read the text below and choose the correct word for each space. For each question circle the correct letter $\mathbf{A}, \mathrm{B}$, or $\mathbf{C}$.

## Holidays

Spain is (1) $\qquad$ the most popular holiday destination for British people. Every summer millions of British people go (2) $\qquad$ Spain or one of ( 3 ) .......... islands. Most people go on (4) $\qquad$ package holiday which means that everything is included (5) .......... the price; plane, bus and hotel or apartment.
( 6 ) ............. holidays are very expensive in July and August but much ( 7 ) ............. . in May and October. British people go to Spain mainly for the beach and the sun but they ( $\mathbf{8}$ ) ........ enjoy the way of life: the good food, and especially the traditions and the customs. Spain is such a big country that many regions are ( 9 ) .......... different countries. Most people ( 10 ) go there on holiday return again.

1. A-yet
B- still
C- just
2. $\mathrm{A}-\mathrm{at}$
B- to
C- out
3. A-its
B- their
C-his
4. A- one
B-a
C- an
5. A-on
B- into
C-in
6. A-That
B- This
C- These
7. A-cheap
B- cheaper
C- cheapest
8. A-also
B- well
C- too
9. A- as
B- like
C- from
10. A- who
B- which
C- where

B- Below are descriptions of 6 different activities. Choose one activity ground for each person that best matches their interests (1-5). Write the answer in the right box. There is an extra activity.


Smith has retired but dislikes being with groups of people who are all elderly. Although he is still an energetic man, he doesn't like sport; an opportunity to get away from the city would suit him.


Jane: The summer school course has finished and Jane wants her seven-year-old son to play somewhere safe while she is at work.


Millie wants someone to look after her three-year-old daughter for an hour twice a week while she goes to computer classes. She has very little money.

Steve is 16 and would like to take up a new activity. He's thinking about trying sailing or perhaps a game he can play inside during the evening.



Mark and his cousin are 13 years old. They love animals and want to be outdoors every day but their parents are too busy to go with them.


The City Farm is for everyone who loves animals and wants to learn more about this working farm in the heart of the city. There are cows, sheep and chickens, and cheese and butter are made in the dairy. The farm is open daily. Children under 12 must come with an adult.

## B

The Local Community Sports Centre offers a variety of activities - table tennis, snooker, indoor football and karate. It is open six days a week from 5 p.m. to 10:30 p.m.; a small charge is made for the use of equipment.


The Nature Club meets at weekends in the country, usually on a Sunday afternoon. Members take part in walks and discussions. All age groups are welcome.


The Play Centre provides free entertainment for the under fives with indoor and outdoor play areas. You may leave your child here for up to two hours at a time in any one day.


The Potter Centre is organized for people who don't work anymore. It opens five days a week from 11:30 to 6:00. Cheap hot meals are provided at lunchtimes and different activities take place every afternoon. There is also a monthly theatre tour.


The Adventure Playground in Rowan Street was built for children up to the age of 14 . There are ropes, swings, slides and tree climbs with an adult in charge at all times. Open during school holidays from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. A small charge is payable for each child.

## C- Read the text carefully.

Do you think it will rain tomorrow? Will it be cold or sunny? In many places, people regularly listen to the weather reports because they want to wear appropriate clothing for the weather. But the weather can mean more than changes in clothing. Studies show that the weather definitely affects people's moods: it changes the way people feel.

Rainy, cloudy, or grey weather can have a negative effect on people. In Poland, scientists studied the effects of weather on the building industry. They found that the number of accidents on building sites increased when the weather was bad.

Years ago in England, when the London fog came up and it was dark outside the entire day, the Bank in England put away its most important papers and files. The Bank noticed that bank employees made a lot of mistakes because of the bad weather.

In recent years, scientists have found a new illness. They call it seasonal affective disorder. People with this illness get very sad and depressed during the long dark days of winter when there is little sunlight. But there is a cure. When people with the illness sit under a sunlamp for some time every day, they will usually feel better.

So next time you're sad or feel strange, maybe you can blame it on the weather.

## A- Now circle the best answer:

1- According to the passage, the weather $\qquad$
a- is always nice in Poland.
b- is often wet in many countries.
c- sometimes has a bad effect on people.
2- Scientists found that the number of accidents on building sites increased------
a- because of the bad weather.
b- because workers worked long hours.
c- because of the London fog.
3- The bank employees made a lot of mistakes in England year ago because $\qquad$
a- they were tired.
b- of the bad weather.
c- they were unhappy.
4- Scientists discovered a new illness that made people $\qquad$ in winter.
a- sad
b- tired
c- active

5- To cure the new illness sit under a sunlamp
a- a few times a week
b- every day
c- from time to time
( $5 \times 2=10$ marks $)$

## B- Answer the following questions:

1- Why do people listen to weather reports?

2- What is "seasonal affective disorder"?
( $2 \times 2=4$ marks)


## Part 3: Writing <br> (36 marks)

A- Your English teacher has asked you to write a story.
Your story must begin with this sentence:
I was really excited when the parcel arrived for me. $\qquad$



## A- Answer ONE question ONLY:

## Either

1- This is a part of an e-mail you have received from your English friend.

I'd love to hear all about where you live. What is your town/village like? What can you see/do there? Why do/don't you like it?

## Write an email answering your friend's questions.

## $\underline{O r}$

2- You saw the advertisement below in the "Bahrain Tribune" and you want to apply for the job. Write a letter of application

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