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ENGLISH LANGUAGE TEST
GRADE ELEVEN 'CORE' MOCK EXAM

Semester One
First Session

Name			
School		Class	

Write your answers on the Test Paper

Time: 2½ hours

Pages: 17

ELEMENT		Marks		Red Marker	Green Marker	Blue Checker
				Name	Name	Name
LISTENING	15					
GRM/VCB	10					
READING	20					
WRITING	15					
TOTAL	60					

LISTENING 1 (Items 1-7)**(7 marks)**

You are going to hear a conversation between a teacher and a student.
Listen, and shade in the bubble next to the correct option.

1. Mousa has only _____ minutes to discuss the topic with his teacher.
 ten twenty thirty

2. Mousa found that video games nowadays are _____ previous years.
 simpler than the same level as more advanced than

3. According to the survey, _____ of grade nine and ten students play for more than 17 hours a day.
 23% 47% 74%

4. Playing video games with his son helped the teacher to _____.
 develop his multi-tasking skills solve problems learn how to cope with failure

5. Big companies encourage employees to play video games to improve their _____.
 mood presentation skills performance

6. Mousa agreed to _____.
 list video games that are harmful include more recommendations add more findings

7. The teacher asked Mousa to _____.
 send an email help his son conduct a survey



LISTENING 2 (Items 8-15)**(8 marks)**

You are going to hear a story about Victoria Grover who went on a desert adventure..

Part One: For each item, write a short answer (**not more than FOUR WORDS**).

8. Why did Victoria go to the desert?

9. How old was she?

10. Where had she kept her water?

11. Who knew where she had gone walking?

Part Two: For each item, shade in the bubble next to the correct option.

12. In the Utah desert, the weather at night-time was _____.

very cold

warm

hot

13. Some years previously, she had taken a course in how to _____ the desert.

preserve

discover

survive in

14. Grover was found on the _____ day.

second

third

fourth

15. She used her _____ to support her broken leg.

stick and jacket

scarf and stick

jacket and scarf

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**LISTENING
SCORE**

15

VOCABULARY (Items 1-5)

(2½ marks)

For each item, shade in the bubble next to the correct option.

Acne affects over 80% of adolescents. It is caused mainly by changes in ⁽¹⁾ _____ during puberty. It ⁽²⁾ _____ of red spots or pimples mainly on the face and neck. In addition, the chest, back and shoulders may be affected. Fortunately, acne usually ⁽³⁾ _____ when teenagers reach their early twenties. However, teens who suffer from acne can experience a great deal of ⁽⁴⁾ _____ stress. They lose their self-esteem and become very ⁽⁵⁾ _____ and unhappy because they think they are ugly.

conflict emotional consists glued disappears depressed hormones constructs

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GRAMMAR (Items 6-10)**(2½ marks)**

For each item, shade in the bubble next to the correct option.

6. Eight people from one family _____ in the car accident yesterday.
 killed was killed were killed have killed
7. Our father usually _____ us shopping in the weekends.
 takes take will take is taking
8. Do not touch that knife. You _____ yourself. It is too sharp.
 hurt are hurt are hurting will hurt
9. We _____ tennis outside when it started to rain heavily.
 were playing was playing were played playing
10. She _____ the dentist tomorrow at nine am to fix her broken tooth.
 will visit will be visiting is visiting are visiting



GRAMMAR/ VOCABULARY (Items 11–20)**(5 marks)**

For each item, shade in the bubble next to the correct option.

A French woman named Alexandra David was a famous ⁽¹¹⁾ _____ who travelled ⁽¹²⁾ _____ herself in Asia. She studied the Buddhist religion, wrote articles about ⁽¹³⁾ _____, and collected ancient Buddhist books. In 1903 she started working as a ⁽¹⁴⁾ _____, writing articles about Asia for English ⁽¹⁵⁾ _____ French magazines. She travelled all over Europe and North Africa. Her main ⁽¹⁶⁾ _____ was India to study Buddhism. She also ⁽¹⁷⁾ _____ Nepal and Sikkim, the small countries ⁽¹⁸⁾ _____ were located north of India in the Himalaya Mountains. She visited villages and religious centres. ⁽¹⁹⁾ _____ several months, she lived in a cave in Sikkim and ⁽²⁰⁾ _____ more about Buddhism.

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| 16. | <input type="radio"/> holiday | <input type="radio"/> couple | <input type="radio"/> profession | <input type="radio"/> destination |
| 17. | <input type="radio"/> visited | <input type="radio"/> relaxed | <input type="radio"/> edited | <input type="radio"/> complained |
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**GRM/VCB
SCORE**

10

READING 1 (Items 1-5)**(5 marks)**

Read the texts. Are the statements which follow each text **True** or **False**?
For each item, shade in the bubble under the correct option.

1.

One of the most exciting films I've ever seen is called Warry Art. It's about a poor teenager living in a farming town who uses art to express thoughts and feelings. He was shy and quiet and always spends time in nature drawing.

Statement

The film is about an outgoing artist.

True	False
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2.

Last year, I decided to lose weight, so I registered in a gym. The course lasted for three months and I lost fifteen kilograms. I was afraid I would put on weight again in the summer holiday, but luckily that didn't happen.

Statement

The fitness course wasn't successful.

True	False
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3.

Salim and his younger brother, Majid, never seem to agree upon brands. For example, they wanted to buy a television. So Salim suggested buying an LG TV but Majid preferred to buy Hitachi. As usual, Majid won the argument.

Statement

They bought a Hitachi TV.

True	False
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READING 1 (continued)

4.

The rural Square is famous for its beauty in spring. So, especially in the weekends, all its areas are always filled with tourists. This causes problems for those of us who have to take their goats and cows to eat the fresh grass there every day.

Statement

True

False

The writer lives in the rural square.

5.

Jamie is a chef in a restaurant. He spends more time preparing food for customers. This caused him to get an eye infection. The doctors advised him to change his job. He found a solution after he moved to Korea. He started a TV show about famous chefs.

Statement

True

False

Jamie has resigned and gave up his job as a chef.

READING 2 (Items 6-12)**(7 marks)**

Read the text about **Jane and her husband**. Then, for each item, shade in the bubble next to the correct option.

My name is Jane. I was married in May of 1991 to a professor of philosophy and for our honeymoon we flew to China. My husband wanted to take advantage of being there, so he decided to give a few lectures during our stay in China.

We took lessons in Chinese for six weeks, saw movies and heard stories from his other colleagues of their trips to China. When my husband said that we would stay in "Guest Houses" at the different Universities and Institutes, I decided to pack one entire suitcase with cleaning products, disinfectants, toilet seat covers and paper.

The first stop was Shanghai and we stayed in a guest house. The weather was hot. We climbed the three floors to our "suite", but I had not expected elevators in China. The dining hall and kitchen were not up to our sanitary conditions. The public bathrooms were not up to American standards, but we were promised a private bath.

As I began to look around, I didn't know what to make of the surroundings. Immediately I started cleaning up the bathroom. My bridegroom, exhausted from the flight, immediately fell asleep on the bed and left me to tidy up the place. Later, feeling deadly tired, because of the cleaning work and the heat, I fell asleep.

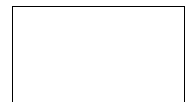
In the middle of the night, I decided to go to the other room. As I switched on the lights, I saw, to my horror, a line of cockroaches marching across my sparkling clean floor. I screamed and yelled for my husband. He halfway sat up in the bed, and asked me what my problem was. I told him, 'cockroaches' and he said he couldn't see anything and fell back asleep. I forgot to tell you that my husband is "legally blind" and perhaps he might not have seen the bugs. For three nights, the scenario was repeated, but each night the cockroaches kept getting bigger and bigger.

The last night in Shanghai, I decided that I would teach my husband a lesson. While he was at his lecture that afternoon, I went out and managed to find a cockroach made of bamboo! I bought it and brought it back to the "Guest House". I hid it under the bed and when he fell asleep that night, I neatly laid out the bamboo cockroach.

I screamed and told him that we had better leave this place. I stepped aside just long enough for him to catch a glimpse of that bamboo cockroach. I kicked it under a convenient table and ran to my bed. Looking secretly from the corner of my eye, I saw my husband run crashing and banging into the bathroom looking for the cockroach. After about two or three minutes, I could not hold back my laughter and started to roar. With a questioning look on his face, he turned and saw me holding up that bamboo cockroach and joined me in my fun. To this day we still have that bamboo cockroach.

READING 2 (continued)

6. Jane and her husband travelled to China _____.
- for adventure for their honeymoon because her husband was working there
7. Before they went to China, they _____.
- learned the Chinese language talked to Chinese people didn't bother to do anything
8. She decided to take cleaning products with her because _____.
- she was obsessed with cleanliness She likes cleaning they were staying in a guest house
9. Jane started cleaning the bathroom while her husband _____.
- was sleeping was helping her was giving a lecture
10. When she went to the other room, she was terrified because of the _____.
- darkness cockroaches dirt
11. Her husband saw nothing when she screamed because he _____.
- thought she was joking didn't get up was almost blind
12. She decided to teach her husband a lesson using _____.
- an alive cockroach a bamboo cockroach a dead cockroach



READING 3 (Items 13-20)**(8 marks)**

Read the text. Then complete the tasks.

Social media and social networking seem to play an imperative part of peoples' lives around the world. There are some people who debate whether it is improving or limiting communication skills. Sitting behind a computer communicating with cyber friends can be easy and fun, but it can weaken person's verbal communication skills.

Accessibility that one has to the internet through different devices has made getting information and connecting with people an easy way in some cases. People are communicating almost every day through texting, e-mail, and other social media. Because it has had such a modern explosion in popularity and usage, social media has become the new norm when it comes to communicating everything from huge life events like birthdays and wedding parties to small ones like what one ate for dinner. Social media has had one of the most substantial impacts on how people communicate within the past decade.

Communication skills are simplified by the use of social media networking. It is being used in many forms for several reasons. Social networks like Facebook and Twitter have always encouraged their subscribers to come up with an online identity. Then they build a personal network of friends that connects to an open worldwide community. Information is now shared freely between the two. These parties can communicate either publicly or via the more discrete personal messages. Here the mode of communication is mainly in writing.

There are other social sites like YouTube that give users a platform to upload and share videos. Here, users post videos of themselves for other users to view. YouTube has been a great platform for musicians and film producers as their fans can easily access their music videos. Other social sites like MySpace have also given users the platform to post videos on their profiles. Such sites enable easy access to a variety of videos like music, sports, documentaries, and movies.

With the emergence and growth of social media, there are benefits and disadvantages to the way communication is practiced. One of the major disadvantages is the effect that it can have on kids through cyber bullying and unwanted exposure. Younger people are using mass communication without realizing the consequences.

Communication has improved by the continual growth of social media. The ease of access makes it very beneficial to everyone. The positive impact on communication definitely overcomes the negative one and makes it very beneficial.

READING 3 (continued)**Task One:** For each item, write a short answer (**not more than FOUR WORDS**).

13. What effect does social media have on verbal communication?

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14. What can users access through platforms like YouTube and Myspace?

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15. Give two examples of the negative effect that social media has on kids?

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16. Why is social media very beneficial to everyone?

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Task 2: For each item, shade in the bubble next to the correct option.

17. Social media started affecting communication

- only now long time ago ten years back

18. Online messaging has been by social media.

- enhanced Reduced decreased

19. Social networks like tweeter encourages communication.

- verbal written no

20. The writer is the use of social media.

- against with not sure about

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**READING
SCORE**

20

WRITING 2**(10 marks)**

Complete the following task. Write **at least 100 words**.

Situation: Imagine you are Rasha/ Rashid. You have just arrived in a foreign country for an English course.

Task: Write a **letter/ an email** to your mother telling her about **your first day experience**.

Your writing should be **clear** and **organized**.

WRITING 2 (continued)

Marker A	Marker B	Average

WRITING SCORE	
	15