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**PORTAL TO ENGLISH**  
**8B 2022 / 2023**  
**SEMESTER 2**  
**MODULES 5 & 6**

**LANGUAGE FUNCTIONS**

**+ Read and choose the BEST response ...**

- 1- **What do you think about the Museum of Islamic Art?**
  - A) A little difficult
  - B) I'll get the hang of it
  - C) It's out of this world.
  - D) None of your business.
- 2- **Can you help me carry this heavy box?**
  - A) Watch this!
  - B) Of course, I will.
  - C) I'm sorry to hear that.
  - D) You 'll get the hang of it.
- 3- **What do you say about traditional Qatari food?**
  - A) Let's grab a bite.
  - B) Let' 's get a move on.
  - C) We could have fast food.
  - D) It is out of this world.
- 4- **My shopping bag is too heavy for me to be lifted.**
  - A) Not yet.
  - B) Of course, I will.
  - C) Never say it again.
  - D) I 'll give you a hand.
- 5- **Could you help me print my project? My printer is not working.**
  - A) Yes, I will give you a hand.
  - B) You will get the hang of it.
  - C) You cannot count on me.
  - D) Yes, why the long face?
- 6- **My car was broken down yesterday.**
  - A) Beat me.
  - B) Poor you!
  - C) It's terrific.
  - D) Who knows?

- 7- **Can I give you a hand with your suitcase?**  
A) No, that's all.  
B) Nobody cares.  
C) How dare you?  
D) You can always count on me.
- 8- **How about reading a history book?**  
A) That's bad.  
B) Let's do that.  
C) Sorry about that!  
D) Such hard lessons!
- 9- **Could you give me a lift to Aspire park?**  
A) Such news!  
B) Nobody cares!  
C) Forget about it.  
D) Of course, I will.
- 10- **What do you think about the opening ceremony of the World Cup 2022?**  
A) It is out of this world.  
B) You will get the hang of it.  
C) No, I don't think so.  
D) Yes, let's do that.
- 11- **Would you mind closing the blind? The sun hurts my eyes.**  
A) How dare you?  
B) No, not at all.  
C) I am sorry to hear that.  
D) Mind your business.
- 12- **A-Can you help me with my armchair? It is too heavy for me.**  
B- \_\_\_\_\_.  
A) Poor you.  
B) No, not at all  
C) You 'll get the hang of it.  
D) Yes, I 'll give you a hand.

## READING

### **✚ Read the passage and answer the questions ...**

Scorpions are arachnids and have eight legs like their cousins—spiders, mites, and ticks. They can quickly grab an insect with their pincers and whip their telson, the poisonous tip of their tail forward and sting their prey. They use their poison to kill prey and to defend against predators.

Scorpions look like small lobsters and may be the first animals to move from water to land hundreds of millions of years ago. They have been around since before the age of the dinosaurs. Fossils of scorpions from Scotland hundreds of millions of years ago show that their appearance hasn't changed over the millennia, but they are now half the size of their ancient ancestors.

Only 30 or 40 species around the world have strong enough poison to kill a person. Each species has a special type of venom that works well against a chosen prey.

Scorpions typically eat insects, but when food is scarce, they can slow their metabolism to as little as one-third the typical rate for arthropods. This technique enables some species to use little oxygen and live on only one insect per year. Such survival skills allow scorpions to live in some of the planet's toughest environments. Researchers have even frozen scorpions overnight, only to put them in the sun the next day and watch them thaw out and walk away. However, they are concealing or hiding animals, so in areas of heavy grasses, where loose soil is not available, scorpions may not be able to survive.

- 1- What is the text **MAINLY** about?
- A) Telling a story about scorpions.
  - B) Giving information about scorpions.
  - C) Learning lessons from a small animal.
  - D) Warning others to keep away from scorpions.
- 2- What does the underlined word (prey) in paragraph (1) mean?
- A) enemy
  - B) victim
  - C) sibling
  - D) insect
- 3- How do scorpions kill other animals?
- A) They get help from other animals.
  - B) They sting them with their poisons.
  - C) They grab them into deep holes.
  - D) They hang them by the neck until dead.
- 4- What do scorpions look like?
- A) Small shrimps
  - B) Small fish
  - C) Small lobsters
  - D) Tiny sharks.
- 5- How can scorpions grab an insect?
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- 6- Why do scorpions slow their metabolism?
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- 7- How many species of scorpions are found to kill a person?
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- 8- What makes scorpions unable to survive?
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✚ **Read the passage and answer the questions ...**

1-Australia is one of the largest countries on Earth. It is located between the Indian Ocean and Pacific Ocean. Canberra is the capital city of Australia. Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Perth and Adelaide are the largest cities in Australia.

2-Much of the land is covered by a desert area known as the “outback”. It contains the country's largest deserts, where the temperatures are *scorching*. There is very little water and vegetation.

3-Today, few people live in the outback, though the original inhabitants of Australia learned to survive the hot, harsh conditions. The spoken language in Australia is mainly English and some other native languages.

4-Ayers Rock is one of the most impressive natural sights in Australia. The large mass of sandstone stands in the middle of a flat desert. This rock reaches a height of 335 meters. It is the largest rock in the world.

5-The wildlife in Australia is dangerous because it is home to many of the deadliest species on the planet. Some of the deadliest species that live in Australia are the Poisonous Funnel-Web Spiders, the Brown Snake and Tiger Snake. There are over 750 different types of reptiles in Australia, more than any other country.

1. What is the text **MAINLY** about?
  - A) information about Australia.
  - B) the largest cities in Australia.
  - C) information about desert areas.
  - D) Indian Ocean and Pacific Ocean.
  
- 2- What is the capital city of Australia?
  - A) Perth.
  - B) Sydney.
  - C) Canberra.
  - D) Melbourne.
  
- 3- What does the underlined word (Scorching) in paragraph (2) mean?
  - A) very hot.
  - B) very wet.
  - C) too cold.
  - D) too cool.
  
- 4- Which language is mainly spoken in Australia?
  - A) Arabic.
  - B) French.
  - C) English.
  - D) Other native languages.

5- Where is Ayers Rock?

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6- How high is Ayers Rock?

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7- How big is Ayers Rock?

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8- Why is the wildlife in Australia dangerous?

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9- How many types of reptiles are there in Australia?

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✚ Read the passage and answer the questions ...

1-Mosquitoes are known the world over for their itchy "bites." And they're also known for spreading some of the world's worst diseases, including malaria, yellow fever, encephalitis, and dengue.

2-Only female mosquitoes actually "bite." They use their mouth, which looks like an upside-down funnel with the narrow end pointing down, to pierce their "victim" and sip liquid. This liquid could be either blood (human or animal) or plant juices, depending on the mosquito species. Male mosquitoes feed solely on plant juices.

3-mosquitoes feed only on snakes, frogs, or other cold-blooded animals. Other mosquitoes prefer birds. Still others prefer cows, horses, and people. They look for their victims anywhere.

4-Like most insects, mosquitoes have two compound eyes, each of which contains thousands of six-sided lenses that point in all different directions and move independently. Mosquitoes can't focus their eyes like people. Instead, their eyes stay open to help them detect quick movements. The mosquito's wings beat about 1,000 times per second and create the insect's telltale buzzing sound. The female's wings create a higher-pitched tone than the male's, helping it attract potential mates.

5-Most female mosquitoes lay their eggs—up to 200 at a time, depending on the species—in water or near it, although not all species must hatch their eggs in water. Favourite places to lay eggs include any place that water pools, such as marshes and swamps, plus tree holes, discarded containers, and poorly maintained swimming pools. Transparent parts that cover the mosquito egg keep it from sinking. In warm weather, most eggs hatch within three days.



- 1- What is the text **MAINLY** about?
  - A) Information about insects.
  - B) Telling a story about mosquitoes.
  - C) Giving information about mosquitoes.
  - D) Warning people about the danger of mosquitoes.
  
- 2- What are mosquitoes known for?
  - A) Spreading the worst diseases.
  - B) Flying overseas to look for food.
  - C) Having only one small eye.
  - D) Socializing with all insects.
  
- 3- What does the underlined word (detect) in paragraph (4) line (4) mean?
  - A) take care.
  - B) search for.
  - C) work for.
  - D) find out.
  
- 4- Why do mosquitoes' eyes stay open?
  - A) To look for food.
  - B) To focus like people.
  - C) To lay their eggs.
  - D) To detect quick movement.
  
- 5- Which diseases are caused by mosquitoes?  
\_\_\_\_\_
  
- 6- How many times do mosquitoes' wings beat per second?  
\_\_\_\_\_
  
- 7- Where do mosquitoes prefer to lay their eggs?  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
  
- 8- Why do the females' wings create a higher pitched tone than the males'?  
\_\_\_\_\_

**VOCABULARY****✚ Read and choose the correct answer ...**

- 1- Yesterday, Adam \_\_\_\_\_ to his parents before leaving for school.  
A) kissed  
B) waved  
C) hugged  
D) shouted
- 2- A good student should \_\_\_\_\_ to school on time.  
A) take up  
B) make up  
C) look up  
D) turn up
- 3- I \_\_\_\_\_ to my teachers when I got into the school.  
A) tested  
B) rested  
C) waved  
D) missed
- 4- A true Muslim should \_\_\_\_\_ money, clothes and food to our brothers in Syria and Turkey.  
A) spend  
B) make  
C) waste  
D) donate
- 5- We get grey when we \_\_\_\_\_ black and white.  
A) mix  
B) stir  
C) melt  
D) turn
- 6- Honesty is often the \_\_\_\_\_ between success and failure.  
A) tradition  
B) difference  
C) discussion  
D) communication

- 7- I called the bank four times, but the line was \_\_\_\_\_.
- A) busy
  - B) dialed
  - C) wrong
  - D) picked up
- 8- According to the tradition of Islam, Muslims should \_\_\_\_\_ for charity.
- A) give up
  - B) spend
  - C) waste
  - D) donate
- 9- To make frosting for cake, \_\_\_\_\_ milk , powdered sugar and vanilla.
- A) boil
  - B) mix
  - C) stir
  - D) pour
- 10- The waiter gave me a \_\_\_\_\_ to wipe my hands after having my meal.
- A) napkin
  - B) a piece of paper
  - C) a magazine cover
  - D) a bottle of perfume
- 11- All our students are \_\_\_\_\_ preparing for the mid-term exam.
- A) busy
  - B) called
  - C) picked up
  - D) cleared up
- 12- Adam grabbed a \_\_\_\_\_ and began wiping the mashed potatoes from his hand.
- A) spoon
  - B) scarf
  - C) jumper
  - D) napkin

✚ Read the following, then fill in the gaps with the suitable words...

difference – dessert – donate – napkin – mix

- 1- I'll have some cheesecake for \_\_\_\_\_.
- 2- We \_\_\_\_\_ some water with the flour to make a paste.
- 3- We share the blessing when we \_\_\_\_\_ money, clothes and food for the needy.
- 4- The air hostess gave me a \_\_\_\_\_ to wipe my hands.

✚ Read the following, then fill in the gaps with the suitable words...

turn up – wave – busy – napkin – times

- 1- My friends never \_\_\_\_\_ late at night and expect ready made dinner.
- 2- I called my boss's office many times, but the line was \_\_\_\_\_.
- 3- All players were pleased to \_\_\_\_\_ to their fans.
- 4- The waiter put the \_\_\_\_\_ on the table and rushed to get the meal.

✚ Read the following, then fill in the gaps with the suitable words...

mix – donate – busy – collection -wave

- 1-Hardworking students are always \_\_\_\_\_ studying for their exams.
- 2-He started to \_\_\_\_\_ with both hands when seeing off his family at the airport.
- 3-I usually \_\_\_\_\_ extra books to my close friends.
- 4-I have a great \_\_\_\_\_ of rare stamps.

✚ Read the following, then fill in the gaps with the suitable words...

Napkin - difference - turn up - donate - brand

- 1\_You can't just \_\_\_\_\_ and expect a meal at our hotel.
- 2-My favourite \_\_\_\_\_ of toothpaste is SIGNAL.
- 3- The \_\_\_\_\_ on my table is made of pure silk with a neaty corner.
- 4- We should \_\_\_\_\_ blood to save injured peoples' lives.

✚ Read the following, then fill in the gaps with the suitable words...

mix – busy – wave – napkin – exam

- 1- When we \_\_\_\_\_ blue and yellow, we get green.
- 2- At the end of the day, I gave my boss a friendly \_\_\_\_\_ with both hands.
- 3- I would prefer to use a \_\_\_\_\_ which is made of cotton to wipe my hands and face.
- 4- Mr. Amr got enough work to keep him \_\_\_\_\_ for a while.

**GRAMMAR****✚ Read and choose the correct answer ...**

- 1- The earth goes round \_\_\_\_\_ sun and the moon goes round the earth.  
A) a  
B) an  
C) the  
D) no article
- 2- A: I have never seen a whale before.  
B: \_\_\_\_\_.  
A) So do I.  
B) I do too.  
C) I have too.  
D) Neither have I.
- 3- The Amazon is \_\_\_\_\_ longest river in Latin America.  
A) a  
B) an  
C) the  
D) no article
- 4- The light bulb \_\_\_\_\_ by Thomas Eddison.  
A) invented  
B) is inventing  
C) was invented  
D) has invented
- 5- You \_\_\_\_\_ see your dentist if you have a bad toothache.  
A) can't  
B) should  
C) mustn't  
D) have
- 6- A: I haven't been up the Eiffel Tower before.  
B: \_\_\_\_\_.  
A) So do I.  
B) I doo too.  
C) I haven't too.  
D) Neither have I.
- 7- If we heat water at 100 degree celsius, it \_\_\_\_\_.  
A) boil  
B) boils  
C) boiled  
D) is boiling

- 8- A Muslim \_\_\_\_\_ tell lies at all. It is not allowed according to the Holy Qur'an.
- A) must
  - B) should
  - C) mustn't
  - D) may not
- 9- Mount Everest is \_\_\_\_\_ highest mountain in the world.
- A) a
  - B) an
  - C) the
  - D) no article
- 10- A: I have never been to Spain. I wish I would go there soon.  
B: \_\_\_\_\_.
- A) So do I.
  - B) I do too.
  - C) I have too.
  - D) Neither have I
- 11- A new model robot \_\_\_\_\_ by Mr. Sayed. He is into technology.
- A) invented
  - B) was invented
  - C) was inventing
  - D) has invented
- 12- A: I like learning new languages.  
B: \_\_\_\_\_.
- A) So do I.
  - B) Neither have I.
  - C) I have too.
  - D) I haven't either.
- 13- When you drop an orange, it \_\_\_\_\_ down.
- A) fall
  - B) fell
  - C) falls
  - D) falling
- 14- Drivers \_\_\_\_\_ exceed the speed limit. Otherwise, they will have to pay heavy fines.
- A) should
  - B) have to
  - C) might not
  - D) mustn't
- 15- passengers \_\_\_\_\_ leave their luggage unattended. They will be removed by the police.
- A) must
  - B) should
  - C) mustn't
  - D) may not

**✚ Do as shown between the brackets ...**

- 1- Mark Zukerberg invented Facebook in 2004. (Change into passive)  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 2- If you boil water, it \_\_\_\_\_ (turn) into vapor. (Correct the verb)  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 3- I advise you to work hard for the exam. (use should)  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 4- I need to use your pencil for drawing. (Use: May)  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 5- Visitors are not allowed to smoke in the museum. (Use mustn't)  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 6- When we throw a ball in a net, it (fall) \_\_\_\_\_ down. (Correct the verb)  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 7- Ellon Mask invented Tesla electric cars. (Change into passive)  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 8- It is a good idea to study all your lesson every day. (Use should)  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 9- When we throw an object, it (fall) \_\_\_\_\_ on the ground. (Correct the verb)  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 10- I advise you to study the offer carefully. (Use should)  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 11- All teachers are not allowed to smoke in our school. (Use mustn't)  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 12- Algebra (invent) \_\_\_\_\_ by the Arabs long ago. (Correct the verb)  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 13- If you heat plastic a lot, it \_\_\_\_\_ (turn) into liquid. (Correct the verb)  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 14- Some people go to bed early when darkness (fall) \_\_\_\_\_. (Correct the verb)  
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**WRITING**

- ✚ Write an email of 10 complete sentences to respond to a friend's suggestion about going on a trip at the weekend.

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✚ Write 10 complete sentences, describing an occasion you attended.

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