

I. a) Fill in the gaps with one of the few choices given below

Pilot Holds New York Hostage

The first word of **1** came at 10.20 a.m. when a police department official telephoned the United Nations and informed the Secretary General that a lunatic pilot in the area planned **2** his plane into the UN building.

The UN was evacuated, fire teams moved into the UN rounds to cope with the disaster.

Then the police corrected their **3** report. The target of the pilot, Richard Boudin, was not the UN, but the publishing company, housed in a building two blocks from the UN.

Mr. Boudin apparently felt that his novel, “Confessions of a Counterfeiter”, was not getting enough publicity, **4** he chartered the plane at a New Jersey airport and radioed that he was going to destroy the publishing house.

Soon **5** the president of the publishing company agreed to talk with Mr. Boudin, if he would land at La Guardian Airport. Mr. Boudin accepted and flew off, the crisis over. Police said Mr. Boudin would be charged with endangerment and other offences.

1. a) the threat b) the gossip c) the rumour d) the history
2. a) to sit b) to beat c) to take off d) to fly
3. a) primitive b) pilot c) original d) hostage
4. a) because b) so c) however d) besides
5. a) afternoon b) after noon c) after these d) towards noon

b) Read the text and choose the best answer to each question.

6. Which of the following is not true?

- a) The text is a description of the incident in which dissatisfied writer was going to crash his aircraft into a New York Building.
- b) Mr. Boudin was to be accused.
- c) Mr. Boudin was in danger and offended with the charge.
- d) Measures were taken to prevent the disaster in the UN area.

7. The lunatic pilot:

- a) was to be taken to the lunatic asylum. b) tended to act at nights, being a lunatic.
- c) moved fire teams onto the UN grounds. d) held New York terrified.

8. Why did the publishing company become the target of the pilot?

- a) Mr. Boudin probably thought the publishing house didn't provide his novel with enough information to attract public attention.
- b) The police corrected Mr. Boudin's intention and changed their report.
- c) There were no fire teams in the neighborhood.
- d) The publishing house was only two blocks from the UN.

9. Who was going to negotiate with Mr. Boudin?

- a) The police b) The UN Secretary General c) The counterfeiter d) The president of the publishing company

10. The word *hostage* means:

- a) one held as a guarantee that certain terms will be satisfied
- b) a highly nervous person
- c) hostile
- d) person in danger

II. Complete the story of George Byron's life by choosing the right option.

These are the words of George Byron, often ... 1) (called, named) the head of revolutionary romanticism. They ... 2) (reflect, effect) one of the major ... 3) (conditions, concerns) of his life. It was the struggle for freedom and independence. He believed, like most prominent poets, that the spirit of a poet should ... 4) (response, respond) to the spirit of his country. He thought that ... 5) (genuine, genius) poetry must educate people and be an example of beauty and harmony. Byron's name is ... 6) (assimilated, associated) with romantic adventure and his whole life was full of adventures. He was born on January 22, 1788 in Aberdine, a Scottish town. As a boy he ... 7) (attended, intended) Grammar school for six years and read ... 8) (constantly, instantly). He was a ... 9) (keen, king) reader, particularly of Roman history.

His life changed greatly after he inherited the title of the Lord and an ancient castle near Nottingham. He studied at the Harrow school and then Cambridge University. During these... 10) (early, young) years Byron was observing life around him.

III. Put the verb in brackets into the correct tense.

Sammy Milton 1) (not/be) very clever. He 2)(walk) along the beach one day when he 3) (trip) over something and 4) (fall) on the sand. He 5)..... (not/look) where he was going. "What 6) ... (be) this?" he said, picking up the object he 7)(trip) over. "I 8) (never/see) anything like it before." It was, in fact, a very old oil lamp, and as he 9) (rub) it, a genie suddenly 10) (fly) out of it. "You 11) (just/release) me from the lamp!", said the genie. "Now you may have three wishes." "Great!" said Sammy who 12) (feel) very thirsty. "I 13)(want) a bottle of lemonade that never 14)(run out)." "No problem," said the genie, and 15)(produce) one instantly. Sammy picked up the bottle and 16)(drink) all the lemonade in one go. Magically, the bottle 17) (fill) itself up again. Sammy drank all that, and exactly the same thing 18) (happen) again. "That's amazing!" he said. "Thanks very much!" "You still 19) (have) two more wishes young man." "That's easy," said Sammy. "I 20)(have) two more of these bottles of lemonade!".

IV. Choose the correct answer. Only one answer is correct.

We arrived 1.... Spain for the first time 2..... and I decided to buy a car because we had sold 3.... we had in England before leaving home. Yesterday the sales office rang us 4.... the car was ready . I had tried out a model 5.... it before, but as I was 6.... in this city, my wife did not 7.... it on my own so we went together to 8.... . We paid 9.... and signed the papers. They told us that 10.... us to a garage, 11.... we could fill up. The 12.... The office was 13.... and we got there safely . But when I turned into main road I suddenly saw a lot of cars racing towards me. I got 14.... 15.... by backing into the garage 16.... and the man behind me shouted at me.

"17.... problem to 18.... on the right side, isn't it?" my wife said. "Yes, if only I 19.... a few lessons for practice ." I replied. "You 20.... go carefully 21.... home," my wife said. "You'd be sorry if you had an accident 22.... the first day, 23....?" While we were talking, the man behind got out of his car and said in good English," Would you 24.... me when you are thinking of leaving? Or are you going to sit in your car 25.... day?"

1. A to B in C at D on	14 A away from their way B a way from their road C out of their way D out their road
2. A. few weeks since B. since a few weeks C. few weeks ago D.a few weeks ago	15 A as fast as I could B so fast as I could C as fast as I may D so fast as I may
3. A that B which C the one D The one what	16. A once more B one more time C one other time D another time
4. A for saying B to say C for telling D to tell	17 A It's so much B It's such a C That's such a D That's so much a

5. A as B like C the same that D similar	18 A remind to drive B remind driving C remember to drive D remember driving
6. A no longer used to driving B still not used to drive C not yet used to driving D already not used to drive	19 A would have B would have had C was having D had had
7. A want me to collect B like me to collect C want that I collected D like that I collected	20 A had better B would better C had rather D would rather
8. A bring it B take it C fetch it D carry it away	21 A in the way to B on the way to C in the way D on the way
9 A the car B the car for C for the car D how much the car	22 A in B on C at D by
10 A there was enough petrol to take B there was enough petrol for taking C it was enough petrol to take D it was enough petrol for taking	23 A hadn't you? B shouldn't you? C wouldn't you? D won't you?
11 A where at B there C there where D where	24. A mind to tell B object telling C mind telling D upset to tell
12 A nearest garage at B nearest garage to C garage most near D most near garage to	25 A every B each C all the D all
13 A at 100 yards away B at 100 yards far C about 100 yards away D about 100 yards far	

V. In each sentence below put the correct adjective from the group of three above it.

1. Impatient sociable adventurous

- (a) She loves meeting people and going to parties. She's a very _____ person.
 (b) She likes new things and new places, even if they're difficult or dangerous. She's _____.
 (c) He gets very annoyed if he has to wait for anything. He doesn't like waiting. He's very _____.

2. ambitions easy-going talkative

- (a) He never gets upset or annoyed when things go wrong. He's a very _____ man.
 (b) He loves to talk to people and tell them what he thinks and what he's done.
 He's _____.
 (c) She wants to get an important job in a high position. She's _____.

3. lazy naughty cheerful

- (a) Little Rosie is always breaking things and doing what her mother tells her *not* to do. She's a _____ girl.
 (b) He doesn't like work. He prefers to do nothing. He's _____.
 (c) He's always happy and smiling. He's very _____.

4. **sensible** **selfish** **optimistic**
 (a) She only thinks about herself. She doesn't care about other people. She's _____.
 (b) He has a lot of common sense. He always knows the correct thing to do. He's a _____ boy.
 (c) He always has good hopes for the future. He thinks everything will be fine. He's very _____.

5. **polite** **imaginative** **tidy**
 (a) She's very careful about her appearance and how she arranges her desk and her room. She's a _____ young lady.
 (b) He always remembers to say 'please and thank you' He's very _____.
 (c) He has ideas like no one else's. He can write wonderful stories, draw unusual pictures and suggest unusual ideas. He's extremely _____.

VI. Complete the sentences choosing the right variant out of A, B, C or D.

1. **While hanging the picture _____ .**
 A. the stool fell out from under Bill.
 B. Bill fell over the stool
 C. down fell the stool from under Bill
 D. Bill will have stood on the stool
2. **He has received several scholarships _____ .**
 A. not only because of his artistic but his academic ability
 B. for both his academic ability as well as his artistic
 C. because of his academic and artistic ability
 D. as resulting of his ability in the art and academy
3. **_____ did Arthur realize that there was danger.**
 A. Upon entering the store
 B. When he entered the store
 C. After he had entered the store
 D. Only after entering the store
4. **Jane changed her major from French to business _____.**
 A. with hopes to be able easier to locate employment
 B. hoping she can easier get a job
 C. with the hope for being able to find better a job
 D. hoping to find a job more easily
5. **The facilities of the older hospital _____.**
 A. is as good or better than the new hospital
 B. are as good or better that the new hospital
 C. are as good as or better than the new hospital
 D. are as good as or better than those of the new hospital

VII. Some of lines are correct, and some have a word which should not be there. If a line is correct, put a tick (v). If a line has a word which should not be there, write the word:

A woman's fight against crime

- _____ 1 Valerie Costa started up her career in the struggle against
 _____ 2 organized crime when she took on to the difficult job of
 _____ 3 warder in a high security prison She rook to the job at
 _____ 4 once and was highly successful. Her work impressed the
 _____ 5 Ministry of Justice so much that she was taken on order to
 _____ 6 help the fight against terrorist groups and drug-traffickers.
 _____ 7 Before that she took over, she had already become the
 _____ 8 general secretary of the Justice department She is not
 _____ 9 only the first woman to take up such a position in the
 _____ 10 government, but even also the first woman to be placed at
 _____ 11 the head of the war against organized crime She yet does
 _____ 12 not think that being a woman makes any difference to her
 _____ 13 role: I am not making exactly the same sacrifices as the
 _____ 14 men who had the job before me. I am taking up the story
 _____ 15 from where they left off - that's all.