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### **SECTION 1 - GRAMMAR SKILLS**

### A

Write the following sentences using the POSSESSIVE FORM of the underlined words.

**EXAMPLE**: The toy <u>belonging to the child</u> was broken.

The child's toy was broken.

- (1) The <u>hoofs of the horses</u> pounded the ground as they ran through the field.

  The horses' hoofs pounded the ground as the ran through the field.
- (2) The <u>babies of the women</u> were all fast asleep in the quiet nursery.

  The women's babies were all fast asleep in the nursery.
- (3) The <u>coat belonging to the lady</u> was very beautiful.

The lady's coat was very beautiful.

(3 marks)

# B

## Underline the CONJUNCTIONS in each of the following sentences.

	EXAMPLE:	I bought a sandwich <u>because</u> I	was hungry.			
(4)	It will rain <u>as</u> it	is very cloudy today.				
(5)	The classroom v	The classroom was very noisy <u>until</u> the teacher entered.				
(6)	Though Jack to	ok the more difficult task, he still	enjoyed it.			
			(3 marks)			
C						
Underline the VERB in each of the following sentences and state whether it is TRANSITIVE OR INTRANSITIVE.						
	EXAMPLE:	The fire <u>burns</u> brightly.	<u>Intransitive</u>			
(7)	Margaret walke	ed slowly after her accident.	Intransitive			
(8)	At our last mee	ting, we discussed the problem o	f the leaking pipes.			
	Transitive					
			(2 marks)			

D

Write the correct form of the VERB from the brackets to complete each of the sentences below.

**EXAMPLE**: My father <u>is</u> a policeman. (be)

- (9) The trees were *blown* down by the wind. (blow)
- (10) Have you *seen* my bunch of keys? (see)
- (11) Sugar cane once *grew* on the Caroni Plains. (grow)

(3 marks)

E

Rewrite the following sentences using the ACTIVE VOICE.

**EXAMPLE:** The letter was mailed to Sue.

Sue mailed the letter.

(12) All the arrangements will be finalized by the party-planner.

The party planner is finalizing all the arrangements.

(13) For the cake sale, two dozen cookies will be baked by Jenny.

Jenny will bake two dozen cookies for the cake sale.

### F

### Combine each group of sentences below to form one sentence.

**EXAMPLE**: I fell.

I was climbing the ladder.

I fell when I was climbing the ladder.

### Students' answers may vary. Here are examples of some correct answers.

(14) My baby sister cries.

She does that whenever mom leaves the room.

My baby sister cries whenever Mom leaves the room.

(15) Simon looked around for a moment.

He saw no one.

Simon jumped into the pool.

Simon looked around for a moment, saw no one and jumped into the pool.

(16) It seemed too quiet in the house.

Leroy looked around nervously.

His younger brother was nowhere in sight.

It seemed too quiet in the house so Leroy looked around nervously, but his younger brother was nowhere in sight.

(9 marks)

# G

### Complete the sentences by underlining the correct PRONOUN.

**EXAMPLE:** (She Her) said I am the best.

- (17) ( $\underline{W}e/Us$ ) purchased the books for the library.
- (18) It is difficult to tell the twins apart because ( they /them) look so much alike.

(2 marks)

### H

### Rewrite the following sentences using DIRECT SPEECH.

**EXAMPLE:** Mr. James said that he worked in a bank.

"I work in a bank," said Mr. James

(19) The waitress said that she would show us to our table.

"I will show you to your table," said the waitress.

(20) Bobby asked Liz if she was glad to be on vacation.

"Liz, are you glad to be on vacation?" asked Bobby.

# Ι

# Complete each sentence by filling in the missing VERB FORMED FROM THE NOUN in brackets.

**EXAMPLE:** The magician made the bunny <u>disappear</u> in his hat. (disappearance)

- (21) A taxi driver should never <u>endanger</u> the lives of his passengers, (danger)
- (22) Trees and gardens help to <u>beautify</u> our surroundings. (beauty)

#### SECTION II - VOCABULARY/SPELLING/PUNCTUATION

# A

In the spaces below, write the appropriate form of the word in CAPITAL LETTERS to correctly complete each sentence. Remember to spell correctly.

**EXAMPLE** ATTRACT The <u>attractive</u> girl walked down the street.

- (23) INFORM It was useless talking to the receptionist as she refused to divulge any *information* about the doctor.
- (24) PICTURE A drive along the coast is very *picturesque*.

(4 marks)

# B

In each of the following sentences, there is a word that is underlined. Replace each underlined word by using another word or phrase that is SIMILAR IN MEANING.

EXAMPLE: The sailors <u>abandoned</u> the sinking ship. <u>deserted</u>

Students' answers may vary. Here are examples of some correct answers.

- (25) The two drivers had a serious <u>dispute</u> over who caused the accident. *disagreement/ argument*
- (26) Mr. Jones decided that he would not <u>intervene</u> in the argument among the little kids. *interfere/ get involved*

C

Underline the word in each sentence which is incorrectly used and write the word which corrects the sentence.

**EXAMPLE:** She bought a beautiful dress four the dance. <u>for</u>

- (27) Mrs Smith had great difficulty when she tried to <u>brake</u> the seal to open the jar. *break*
- (28) My family travelled by <u>plain</u> to New York City. *plane*

(4 marks)

D

Underline the word that is INCORRECTLY SPELT in each of the following sentences and write it correctly on the line provided.

**EXAMPLE**: <u>Tommorow</u> is just another day. <u>tomorrow</u>

- (29) We were all too <u>familar</u> with his tricks and this time we decided to ignore him. *familiar*
- (30) Much to our <u>amusment</u>, the man's wig blew off his head and went rolling down the hill. *amusement*

## E

# Insert THE TWO MISSING PUNCTUATION MARKS to correctly complete each of the following sentences. DO NOT rewrite the sentences.

EXAMPLE: No a black cows milk is not black.

No, a black cow's milk is not black.

- (31) You may join us, however, there are things which you must help with.
- (32) "Who wants cookies?" asked Sally's mother as she opened the sealed jar.
- (33) A famous university in England is Cambridge.
- (34) Allan can't find anyone's telephone number.
- (35) Wow! That painting which you did is amazing.

**(10 marks)** 

# **SECTION 111 – COMPREHENSION**

A

Read the passage below and answer the questions that follow. Use complete sentences, with correct grammar and spelling.

### The Telephone



The telephone is the most popular and widely used means of communication. It is almost as if people cannot survive without the telephone. It was invented by Alexander Graham Bell. Although the invention is credited to Bell, his work was based on many other inventions by other famous scientists all over the world. Antonio Meucci, an Italian scientist had made an early version of the telephone and demonstrated it in Havana. However, due to his lack of business abilities, he failed to market his invention. Even today, many still regard Meucci as the inventor of the telephone.

Alexander Graham bell and his assistant, Thomas Watson, continued experimenting tirelessly to build an apparatus to transmit sound. Finally, on March 10, 1876, Bell spoke the first words through the telephone, "Mr. Watson, come here, I want to see you." These words have been immortalized in history and the aforementioned date is marked as the official date of the month of the invention of the telephone by Alexander Graham Bell.

Students'	answers may v	ary. Here are	examples of some	correct answers.

(36) (a) Who is credited with the invention of the telephone?

Alexander Graham Bell is credited with the invention of the telephone.

(2 marks)

(b) What was marked as the official date of the invention of the telephone?

The official date of the invention of the telephone is March 10<sup>th</sup>, 1876.

(2 marks)

(37) (a) Who is believed by some to be the inventor of the telephone?

Some people believe that Antonio Meucci was the scientist who invented the telephone.

(2 marks)

(b) What country was this scientist from?

This scientist was from Italy.

(1 mark)

(38) Why was Meucci not credited with the invention of the telephone?

Meucci was not credited with the invention of the telephone because he could not market his invention due to a lack of business abilities. (3 marks)

(39) Who was the first person spoken to on the telephone?

Mr. Watson was the first person spoken to on the telephone.

(2 marks)

(40) What words have been immortalized in history and who spoke them?

The words, "Mr. Watson, come here, I want to see you," spoken by Alexander Graham Bell have been immortalized in history. (3 marks)

#### **POEM**

**B** Read the poem carefully and answer the questions that follow. Use complete sentences with correct grammar and spelling.

#### **A Perfect World**

Ssssh little baby, don't say a word,
Mama's going to buy you a Blue Jay bird,
If that Blue Jay bird can't sing
Mama's going to buy you an emerald ring.
Should that emerald ring turn to brass,
Mama's going to buy you a looking glass.
If that looking glass should break
Mama's going to buy you a writing slate,
If that writing slate, should rot,
Mama's going to buy you the comfiest cot
If that cot should not feel comfy,
Mama's going to hold and hug you plenty,
For whatever in life turns you blue,
Remember mama's going to try to make it all
perfect just for you!

Anonymous

### Students' answers may vary. Here are examples of some correct answers.

(41) Who is looking after the baby?

The baby is being looked after by the mother.

(3 marks)

(42) What is this person doing?

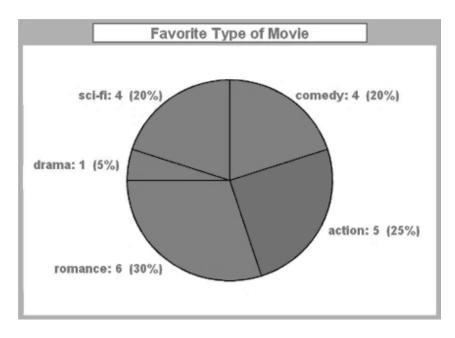
The mother is singing a lullaby to the baby.

(3 marks)

(43) What is the reason for buying the Blue Jay bird for the baby?			
The father is buying a singing bird to sing for the baby.			
(3 marks)			
(44) Why would Mama wish to buy a looking glass for the baby?			
The mother wishes to buy a looking glass for the baby because most babies are fascinated by the reflections in a mirror.			
(3 marks)			
(45) Do you think this baby is loved? Why?			
Yes, the baby is loved because the mother says that she will try to make everything perfect for the baby.			
(3 marks)			

### **GRAPHIC REPRESENTATION**

C Study the Pie Chart shown below and answer the questions that follow.



(46) How many people were surveyed to determine the favourite type of movie?

Twenty people were surveyed to determine the favourite type of movie.

(2 marks)

(47) How many people chose action movies as their favourite?

Five people chose action movies as their favourite.

(2 marks)

(48) What percentage of the people surveyed chose romance movies?

Thirty percent of the people surveyed chose romance movies.

(2 marks)

(49) What was the least favourite type of movie in this survey?

The least favourite type of movie in this survey was drama.

(2 marks)

(50) Which two types of movies did the same number of people choose?

Sci-fi and comedies were the movies which were chosen by the same number of people.

(2 marks)