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**PART I. USE OF ENGLISH**

- I.** For questions 1-10, read the text below and decide which answer (A, B, C or D) best fits each gap. **(10 points)**

**A QUESTION OF SAFETY**

Life involves a certain (0) ..... of risk, or at least it did. These days, however, governments seem to have become (1) ..... with the idea of protecting us from it. As a result, what we actually risk most is not being allowed to live at all. (2) ....., take a recent edict which emerged from the British government's health and safety department. It would be amusing if it wasn't so serious. Circus artistes performing on tightropes or the flying trapeze are being (3) ..... to wear the type of hard hats more usually (4) ..... with the construction industry. Under a relatively new law known as the 'temporary work at heights directive', such a hat must be worn for any working activity taking (5) ..... above the height of an 'average stepladder'. Now you might think that sounds (6) ..... reasonable, but the absurd thing is that the rule is being applied to circus performers as well. The first to be hit by this rule were baffled members of the Moscow State Circus, who were touring England at the time. Used to flying through the air without even the (7) ..... of a safety net, they (8)..... that trapeze artists often break arms and legs, but (9) ..... heads. This simple fact was apparently (10) ..... on the bureaucrats at the government department, however, who insisted that the rule be followed.

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|----|------------------|----------------|---------------|---------------|
| 0  | A amount         | B quantity     | C volume      | D extent      |
| 1  | A prone          | B obsessed     | C addicted    | D devoted     |
| 2  | A In other words | B Such as      | C What's more | D For example |
| 3  | A proposed       | B challenged   | C required    | D demanded    |
| 4  | A regarded       | B associated   | C recognised  | D concerned   |
| 5  | A place          | B forth        | C part        | D ahead       |
| 6  | A fairly         | B duly         | C widely      | D closely     |
| 7  | A profit         | B benefit      | C remedy      | D welfare     |
| 8  | A pointed out    | B came forward | C put across  | D cleared up  |
| 9  | A barely         | B merely       | C rarely      | D unusually   |
| 10 | A passed         | B lost         | C missed      | D left        |



- II.** For questions 1-10, read the text below and think of the word which best fits each gap. Use only **one** word in each gap.

**(10 points)**

### **BITS OF HISTORY (OF BITS) ON THE AUCTION BLOCK**

**Example: (0) WOULD**

In the spring of 1946, J. Presper Eckert and John Mauchly sent out a business plan for a company that (0) ..... sell electronic computers. In the eight-page proposal for (1) ..... financing of this enterprise, sent to a small group of prospective backers, the two engineers predicted that the market for (2) ..... a machine might consist (3) ..... scientific laboratories, universities and government agencies. Such (4) ..... the beginnings of the Electronic Control Company of Philadelphia, which produced the Univac, the first computer (5) ..... be commercially sold in the United States.

At the auction around 60 years later, the original tapescript (6) ..... the Eckert-Mauchly proposal was sold (7) ..... part of a collection called 'The Origins of Cyberspace', which contained about 1,000 books, papers, brochures and (8) ..... artefacts from the history of computing. Two items (9) ..... particular generated interest among prospective bidders. (10) ..... were the Eckert-Mauchly business plan and a technical journal containing the idea for TCP/IP, the standard system for the transmission of information over the Internet.

- III.** For questions 1 -10, read the text below. Use the word given in capitals at the end of some of the lines to form a word that fits in the gap **in the same line**.

**(10 points)**

### **ST HILDA'S COLLEGE**

#### **Teaching Vacancies**

**Example: (0) EXPANSION**

Due to the (0) ..... of our sixth form department, we are currently recruiting teachers with a(n) (1) ..... in 'A' level Physical Education, Psychology, Law or Italian, or a (2) ..... of these.

**EXPAND**

**SPECIAL**

**COMBINE**



St Hilda's College is a(n) **(3)** ..... day school for girls with a mission to provide high-quality **(4)** ..... education to pupils aged eleven to eighteen.

**DEPEND**  
**SECOND**

Applicants should have a(n) **(5)** ..... track record in teaching at 'A' level, although we would also welcome applications from **(6)** ..... qualified teachers.

**PROVE**  
**NEW**

Experience in the development and delivery of **(7)** ..... curriculum programmes would be a distinct advantage. It is highly **(8)** ..... that applicants should be self-starters as well as team players and **(9)** ..... to participate in extracurricular activities. For further information and an application form, please contact Mrs Jessica Beaumont on: 0208-427-7721.

**INNOVATE**  
**DESIRE**  
**WILL**

The **(10)** ..... date for applications is May 15th.

**CLOSE**

**IV.** For questions **1 – 10**, complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the word given. **Do not change the word given.** You must use between **three** and **six** words, including the word given. **(20 points)**

**1.** He will definitely get indigestion if he eats that huge pizza by himself. **BOUND**

He..... if he eats that huge pizza by himself.

**2.** It wasn't necessary for the residents to flee the town because the volcano didn't erupt. **FLED**

The residents..... the town because the volcano didn't erupt.

**3.** You made a lot of food, but it wasn't necessary because we have plenty. **SHOULD**

You ..... food because we have plenty.

**4.** Carrying all the shopping home herself was impossible for Janet. **ABLE**

Janet..... all the shopping home herself.

**5.** Why didn't you say you were a vegetarian? **COULD**

You..... you were a vegetarian.



6. I only realized how serious the epidemic was when I saw the hospital reports. **UNTIL**

Not ..... the hospital reports did I realize how serious the epidemic was.

7. Experts believe that the main cause of the rise in obesity is a lack of physical activity.

**CONTRIBUTED**

A lack of physical activity is..... the main factor in the rise in obesity.

8. Artists came to this shop because they used to frame paintings here. **HAVE**

Artists came to this shop because they used to ..... here.

9. After the fire, Sam needed someone to check the equipment for damage. **CHECKED**

After the fire, Sam ..... for damage.

10. These two songs sound very similar to me. **MORE**

These two songs sound ..... to me.

## PART II. WRITING

### I. PROPOSAL

Your school is planning to improve facilities for international students. The International Office has asked students to submit proposals suggesting what improvements could be made and how these would benefit overseas students.

Write your proposal in **220–260** words in an appropriate style.

**(50 points)**