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الإجابة على نفس الورقة - يرجى التأكد من ورقات الأسئلة وعددها (9)

**I. Reading (25 marks)**  
**Passage 1 (10 marks)**

**Read the following passage, then answer the questions below:**

Engineer Jeff Dent, 46, and his wife Alison, 44, always loved sailing. They first met at a sailing club and their dream was to sail around the world.

So, when Jeff became unemployed in January 1999, they decided to make their dream come true. Alison left her job as a teacher and they bought an eight-metre sailing boat, the Charlotte Rose. They wanted to sail from Britain to South Africa, then to Australia, across the Pacific to Argentina, and back to Britain across the Atlantic.

They weren't the first people to make this voyage, but this time there was one big difference - Jeff and Alison took their three children with them: ten-year-old Oliver, Charlotte, who was seven, and three-year-old Daniel.

After two years and 48000 kilometers, they arrived back in Britain. To their surprise, hundreds of people were there to meet them.

So how was it? "It was very difficult," said Alison, "but it was also the best two years of my life." The children also loved it. "We saw things that most people never see," said Oliver. "One morning we got up and there were whales near the boat..... that was fantastic!"

There was one question everyone wanted to ask. Did they argue a lot? Jeff answered. "Of course we argued sometimes, but we were a great team. It was an amazing journey."

**Questions:**

**A. Fill in the missing information in the following table:**

| Person | Age   | Job     | Relation |
|--------|-------|---------|----------|
| Jeff   | 46    | -----   | husband  |
| Alison | ----- | teacher | -----    |

**B. Mark the following statements ( √ ) or false ( x ):**

- 1- Jeff Dent first met Alison at a sailing club. (       )
- 2- The journey took Jeff and Alison five years to complete. (       )
- 3- They started their journey from South Africa. (       )

**C. Complete the following statements.**

- 1- Alison left her job as a teacher to ----- 1. -----
  - a- look for a new job.
  - b- meet new people.
  - c- look after her three children.
  - d- make her dream come true.
- 2- Charlotte Roze was the name of ----- 2. -----
  - a- an engineer
  - b- a boat
  - c- a plane
  - d- a building

## Passage 2 (15 marks)

**Read the following passage, then answer the questions below:**

The coldest regions in the world are the polar regions near the North and South poles. They have an arctic climate. The hottest regions are in South Asia, North Africa and central America. They are in the tropics. Their climate is tropical.

The countries between the polar and tropical regions have a temperate climate. This is the climate of Europe.

The plant growth in a particular region is called vegetation. The vegetation of an area depends on its climate. In wet, tropical regions, for example, jungles are the most common vegetation. In these jungles the tops of the trees are large and meet overhead. Underneath there are smaller trees. The forests in the temperate regions are different. They do not have the thick undergrowth that is found in the tropical jungles. These forests, therefore, are more open than the Jungles.

The deserts are the driest areas. They have very little vegetation at all. The regions farther north and south of the Equator are regions with ice, snow and frost all the year round. Here, too, there is little or no vegetation.

Man's most important interest in vegetation arises from his need for food. Different kinds of crops are grown in different climates. But with the scientific knowledge of farming that man possesses nowadays, he can grow some kinds of crops even in climates where formerly they couldn't be grown.

### **Questions:**

**Choose the MOST SUITABLE, then write a, b, c or d in the blank space:**

1. The above passage is mainly about -----.
- a- the polar region.
- b- climate and vegetation.
- c- plants life in the world.
- d- deserts of the world.

2. We can see very little vegetation in -----.  
 a- tropical jungles  
 b- temperate Europe  
 c- deserts  
 d- wet, rainy areas
3. The main idea of paragraph Five is -----.  
 a- science is of no use in farming  
 b- crops can grow well at any climate  
 c- the climate in Europe is the same as in the Sahara.  
 d- man needs vegetation for food .  
 .....
4. **"regions"** (in paragraph 1) means:  
 a- years  
 b- pests  
 c- peaks  
 d- areas
- 5- **"possesses"** (in paragraph 5) means:  
 a- has  
 b- loses  
 c- collects  
 d- selects
- 6- **"its"** (in paragraph 2) refers to -----.  
 a- climate  
 b- area  
 c- jungle  
 d- region
- 7- **"he"** (in paragraph 5) refers to -----.  
 a- man  
 b- farming  
 c- food  
 d- vegetation
- 8- Polar regions have -----.  
 a- rich plants growth.  
 b- tropical weather.  
 c- the hottest world deserts.  
 d- arctic climate.
- 9- It can be inferred from the text that -----.  
 a- there is much vegetations in the deserts.  
 b- there are a lot of forests in the polar regions  
 c- science can help us grow plants in different climates.  
 d- there is no relation between crops grown and the climate.

## **II– Vocabulary (15 marks)**

**A- Choose the word that best completes the sentences, then write a, b, c or d in the blank space. (10 marks)**

- 1- Good students give due care to the issue of time -----.  
a- desk  
b- management  
c- brain  
d- allowance
- 2- The project will produce ----- 7 million cubic metres of fresh water.  
a- angrily  
b- hungrily  
c- approximately  
d- motherly
- 3- The UAE is a major date ..... in the world.  
a- graph  
b- pyramid  
c- rainforest  
d- producer
- 4- Will you kindly ----- the salt to me? I need some for the salad.  
a- pass  
b- infect  
c- cure  
d- affect
- 5- Millions of people suffer from -----, it is a very dangerous disease.  
a- categories  
b- diabetes  
c- plants  
d- liquids
- 6- Noise is one of the causes that ----- students in the classroom.  
a- organizes  
b- evaluates  
c- distracts  
d- processes

- 7- Many materials can be ----- into other substances by heating.  
a- converted  
b- explained  
c- occupied  
d- painted
- 8- People are not always of the same opinion, they have -----views.  
a- rural  
b- different  
c- average  
d- towering
- 9- Doctors work hard to ----- diseases such as cancer.  
a- infect  
b- carry  
c- cure  
d- train
- 10- Let's go and have a sandwich, I feel very -----.  
a- urgent  
b- untidy  
c- blank  
d- hungry

**B- Match each word with its opposite: ( 5 marks)**

- |              |             |
|--------------|-------------|
| 1- tired     | - prevent   |
| 2- physical  | - herbivore |
| 3- import    | - lively    |
| 4- provide   | - mental    |
| 5- carnivore | - export    |

### III- Grammar ( 15 marks )

#### A- Choose the MOST suitable answer a, b, c or d: ( 10 marks)

- 1- Our teacher asked ----- to study hard for the exam.  
a- we  
b- us  
c- ours  
d- our
- 2- The more you study, the ----- marks you get.  
a- high  
b- highest  
c- height  
d- higher
- 3- ----- country is bigger, Egypt or Jordan?  
a- who  
b- what  
c- which  
d- where
- 4- The ----- desert in the world is the Sahara.  
a- hot  
b- hottest  
c- hotter  
d- heat
- 5- How long does it ----- you to fly to New York?  
a- take  
b- took  
c- taking  
d- takes
- 6- They are still ----- a lot of work to do.  
a- has  
b- having  
c- have  
d- had

- 7- Most imported cars ----- in Japan.  
 a- is made  
 b- be made  
 c- was made  
 d- are made
- 8- ----- Yemen nor Sudan is an island.  
 a- Both  
 b- Neither  
 c- Or  
 d- Since
- 9- The government ----- air pollution from tankers last Tuesday.  
 a- discuss  
 b- discusses  
 c- discussed  
 d- discussing
- 10- If we ----- hurry, we will be late.  
 a- don't  
 b- doesn't  
 c- aren't  
 d- didn't

**B- Write the correct form of the words between brackets. ( 5 marks )**

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|--------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| 1- We can't avoid (deal) with the problem.                   | 1- ----- |
| 2- In 2002 the government (ask) if the project was possible. | 2- ----- |
| 3- The UAE is famous (to) its nice dates.                    | 3- ----- |
| 4- That man is so rich, he (have) many big farms.            | 4- ----- |
| 5- These plants can't (survived) in dry climate.             | 5- ----- |

**IV- Writing**

**( 15 marks )**

**A- Add the missing letters:**

**( 2 marks )**

- 1- Water is made up of hydrogen and oxy\_\_en.
- 2- The e\_\_act cost of the project is not clear.
- 3- Pop\_\_lation increase in cities is one big problem today.
- 4- The UAE has bo\_\_ders with Saudia Arabia and Oman.

**B- Write three meaningful sentences about "your country". (3 marks)**

1 \_\_\_\_\_

2 \_\_\_\_\_

3 \_\_\_\_\_

**C- Write a paragraph of (120-150) words on the following topic: (10 marks)**

**(Water projects are changing our life better)**

You can make use of the following guide points:

Converting deserts into green farms.  
Providing fresh water for big cities and small villages.  
Good for the environment and agriculture.  
Fighting pollution, breath clean air.  
The UA is carrying many dam projects.  
The Great Man Made River in Libya is an example.

[illegible]

**THE END**  
**Best Wishes**