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LOCATION : UUM KL CAMPUS

INSTRUCTIONS:
1. This book script contains THREE main parts in SIXTEEN (16) printed pages excluding the cover page.
2. Please answer ALL the questions in this book script only.
3. Please read all the instructions carefully.

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Part 1 (68 marks)

VOCABULARY AND READING FOR COMPREHENSION

I. Look at the three choices below each sentence. Cross out the one that is not a synonym of the underlined word in the sentence.

Example:
Even though Sara is only 6 years old, she is already so feminine. Her dress and her hair are soft and pretty. She is so polite, carefully saying “please” and “thank you” at just the right time.

a. girlish  b. ladylike  c. prona

1. In North American culture, most people think a cowboy is very masculine. He has male characteristics, such as strength and courage.
   a. soft  b. tough  c. bold

2. For most people, their gender is an important part of who they are (or how the act). It is an important part of their identity.
   a. self  b. wealth  c. role

3. Language reflects the culture of the people that speak it. You can’t understand a people’s language of you don’t understand their culture.
   a. shows  b. expresses  c. confuses

4. The children competed in a contest. They wanted to see who could jump rope the most times in a row and not miss.
   a. tried to win  b. tried to be the best  c. tried to help each other

5. When a boy is playing with a ball and will not give to his sister, she might say “You are not playing fairly. Play fair. It’s my turn.”
   a. with tricks  b. by sharing equally  c. by the rules
6. Parents influence the way their children think and act. Children learn a lot from them.
   a. guide  
   b. ignore  
   c. change

   a. gives frequently  
   b. gives importance to  
   c. gives value to

8. Many people think that a man gains status by marrying a beautiful woman, and a woman gains status by marrying a successful man.
   a. trouble in society  
   b. power in society  
   c. importance in society

9. People sometimes like to gossip about other people.
   a. talk about secrets  
   b. talk about behavior  
   c. talk about movies

10. In some cultures, having many children proves a man is masculine.
    a. show clearly  
    b. shows frequently  
    c. shows to be true

II. Read the sentences and the definitions below. Choose the best definition for the underlined words.

Sentences:

____  11. People who murder are very dangerous.

____  12. It is cruel to not give prisoners food or to keep them alone in the dark for many days.

____  13. The laws enforced by the courts require justice for every person.

____  14. Everyone wants other people to respect their freedom.

____  15. Everyone has the right to be treated fairly, and the laws must protect those rights.
16. In many countries, citizenship is given automatically to all children who are born there.

17. Society must find ways to stop crime.

18. He asked for forgiveness from the people he had hurt.

19. There are many laws that protect innocent children from danger.

20. Some people who are not guilty have gone to prison by mistake.

21. I heard about his murder on TV. It is terrible to think that he died such a violent death.

22. In some cultures, people seek revenge by hurting the person who has hurt them.

Definitions:

a. be careful not to do anything against someone's life or wishes

b. the rights and freedoms that belong to the members of a nation

c. having done something wrong

d. letting go of one's anger after someone has hurt you

e. the bad thing you do to someone because they did something bad to you

f. kill a human being on purpose

g. not having done something wrong

h. likely to hurt or kill someone

i. deliberately making someone suffer or feel unhappy

j. a large group of people who share the same laws and organizations

k. treatment of people which is fair and right

l. something that you are allowed to do or have according to the law
III. Guess what the underlined word means in each numbered sentence. Circle T (True) or F (False) for the statement that follows.

23. The tourists visited three main cities during their travels in Italy: Rome, Florence and Naples.
   T   F   The tourists were people who were working in Italy.

24. The desert landscape is very flat.
   T   F   "Landscape" means the way the land looks.

25. We must preserve the rain forest because it is the home of many birds that cannot live anywhere else.
   T   F   It would be good to cut down the rain forest now so we can use the wood.

26. The ozone hole may be dangerous to people who live on the earth. It is a hole in the ozone layer.
   T   F   The ozone layer is made of gases that protect the earth from the bad effects of the sun.

27. Some scientists believe that global warming will cause the ice of Antarctica to melt.
   T   F   The earth will become too hot.

28. That island is inhabited only by birds.
   T   F   All kinds of animals live there.

29. The highest mountain in the world is Mount Everest. I don’t know how people can go there because it is such a harsh place.
   T   F   It’s really quite comfortable.
30. Next summer I’m going to travel to a very remote part of Asia. It will take a long time to get there, but I want to go to a place where few visitors have gone.

   T   F   This is a place that is easy to get to from the big city.

31. His wife said, “Think about the consequences if you lose your job.”

   T   F   She might want her husband to think about not having any money to pay the bills for the family.

32. The coastal cities of a country are often popular vacation spots because people like to be near the ocean.

   T   F   These place are often in the center of the country.

33. The oceans of the world are vast places of water.

   T   F   The oceans are smaller than other places of water.

34. The ice on the pond was so fragile that the children could not ice skate.

   T   F   The ice could break easily.

IV. A TV producer works with actors, writers, and directors to plan a TV show. The passages below describe a meeting of TV producers who want to create a new comedy show. Match the underlined words in the passages with the definitions below.

   Many actors have an ambition (35) to be on television, and this new show will give a few of them an opportunity (36) to make their dream come true. On this show, some scenes (37) will be humorous, and other parts will be filled with a tension (38) that makes the audience wonder what will happen next. The producers believe that laughing at the tension on the show will help the audience deal with (39) their own tensions in life.
The star of the show will be a man who does not have a job outside of the home. His name will be Bob, and he will be married to a doctor. Bob will stay at home and take care of the children, clean the house, and cook all of the meals. His wife, Allison, will work long hours. But Bob will not see his life as limited (40) in any way, and he will not lose his dignity (41) in this role; instead, he will be a full partner with his wife and it will be clear that she respects his mind and his abilities. Although they will be married with kids, they will still flirt with (42) each other like newlyweds.

Another main character on the show will be Allison’s father. He will always bicker (43) with his son-in-law because he won’t understand why Bob stays at home while Allison works to support the family. There will be tension between his traditional ideas and Bob and Allison’s modern ideas. Allison’s mother will be the kind of person who talks constantly but never listens. The producers have decided that she will fall down a lot because she won’t look where she is going. The stunts (44) she will do will add slapstick comedy to the show. She will also have a cute little dog but this dog will be mean (45) - always biting people for no reason.

The producers believe that the audience will like this show. They have already shown scenes of it to a test audience and the response was encouraging.

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35. ambition
36. opportunity
37. scenes
38. tension
39. deal with
40. limited
41. dignity
42. flirt with
43. bicker

a. a nervous, worried feeling
b. a strong desire to do something
c. a chance to do something
d. to handle something or to do what is necessary for something
e. parts of a movie or a play
f. argue
g. not nice: hurting someone or something with words or actions
h. self respect
i. not having a lot of something
V. Read the texts and conversations below and choose the best meaning for the phrases that are underlined.

Last week, the residents from Taman Connaught and Taman Gembira have written a memo to the town council expressing concern about the faulty traffic lights between the two residential areas. Most of the time, that is, at least once a week the traffic lights do not function well. Traffic is held up (46) and massive jam builds up or drivers who are unaware end up crashing into each other. The residents want the authorities to look into (47) the matter before more accidents happen. They are prepared to meet up (48) with the authorities to solve the problem together.

46. held up
   a. heavy
   b. stopped
   c. blocked

47. look into
   a. take a look at
   b. take a peek into
   c. investigate and solve

48. meet up
   a. talk
   b. plan
   c. have a discussion
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Ros: My family is planning to go to Cameron Highlands for the weekend. Would you like to come along with us?

Okid: Thank you for the invitation. I will definitely take you up (49) on your offer. I came across (50) this article in the papers about the Rafflesia flower. It can be found in the jungle near Brinchang.

Ros: Is that so? In that case, we must call up (51) the hotel and make arrangements to include jungle trekking in the schedule.

49. take you up
   a. reject
   b. cross
   c. accept

50. came across
   a. saw
   b. read
   c. found

51. call up
   a. confirm with
   b. make a call to
   c. make a social call to

Elle: You are always putting the blame on the rest of us, your friends, for the mistakes you make. Pointing a finger at (52) everyone is not the correct thing to do. You have to be responsible for your own mistakes.

Sab: I guess you are right. I should look into this bad habit of mine very seriously. Elle, I am glad that you are honest enough to tell me off (53).

Elle: I am glad you are generous enough to accept my advice and are not offended with me.

Sab: If you had not told me and allowed me to carry on (54) like this I would be offended. Friends are supposed to be honest with each other.

52. pointing a finger at
   a. telling your story to
   b. putting the blame on
   c. placing your hands on
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53. **tell me off**
   a. offer me your hand
   b. tell me the full story
   c. let me know the truth

54. **carry on**
   a. walk
   b. behave
   c. continue

Rosdi : Hello Sheila! I am surprised to see you here. I have always thought you are not interested in martial arts.
Sheila : I was not until recently. The increasing number of snatch thefts reported in the papers is scaring the living daylights out of me (55). A girl must know how to protect herself.
Rosdi : You are right. I have been trying to get my mother and sister to take lessons, but they are turning a deaf ear (56) to my advice.
Sheila : Keep on trying. If you set your mind to it (57), I am sure you will succeed in persuading them.

55. **scaring the living daylights out of me**
   a. a serious problem
   b. very exciting
   c. very frightening

56. **turning a deaf ear**
   a. refusing to listen
   b. inattentive and careless
   c. pretending not to understand

57. **set your mind to it**
   a. fail to try again
   b. determine to do it
   c. want to think about it
PETALING JAYA, Mon – Critical organs from an eighteen-year-old boy were flown from Kelaantan to Kuala Lumpur yesterday for immediate transplant to recipients. The organs were donated as the boy who suffered brain cancer had indicated his wish to do so. The RMAF had lent a hand (58) by flying the organs to the RMAF Subang Air Base. This is a noble act we should keep in mind (59) when we find ourselves in the same situation. Organ donation is a charitable act that knows no limits. Sometimes, unknowingly, we are able to save a life at the eleventh hour (60).

58. lent a hand
   a. flown
   b. helped
   c. bought

59. keep in mind
   a. record
   b. keep track
   c. remember

60. at the eleventh hour
   a. at the final hour
   b. at the beginning
   c. at the last moment
VI. Study the poster and advertisement below and choose the best answer for the questions below.

GARLIC AND GINGER RESTAURANT

1, Jalan 23, Taman Ramuan, 50100 Segambut, Kuala Lumpur.

Business hours:
11am – 3pm
6pm – 11pm

- This outlet has been around since 2003 and many types of delicious Malay cuisine are available.
- Famous for its *pegedil, masak lemak cili padi, sambal* fried fish, fried spicy chicken, squid curry, stir fried prawns, *sago* syrup and *cendol*.
- Reservations are recommended during weekends.

61. This poster is promoting a
a. pub  
b. shop  
c. restaurant  
d. fast food corner

62. The word cuisine means
a. prices  
b. eating  
c. dishes  
d. washing

63. One of its desserts is
a. *pegedil*  
b. *sago* syrup  
c. stir fried prawns  
d. squid curry

64. During the weekends the place is probably
a. quiet  
b. boring  
c. crowded  
d. deserted
THE U SQUARE, KUALA LUMPUR
AN INTERNATIONAL NAME

Major attractions:

- Malaysia's 1st IMAX 3D theatre and cinema
- Malaysia's largest shopping heaven
- MJJ - Malaysia favorite department store
- Luxurious hotel
- 85 cafes and restaurants
- Bowling alley

For more information, please call:
Titi at 03-2022 3333
@
Tutu at 03-2022 4444

Visit us before 20th November and you will receive a mystery pack!

65. The phrase an international name means that The U Square
   a. has another name
   b. entertains tourists only
   c. is not built in Malaysia
   d. is popular at international level

67. What does the advertisement aim to achieve?
   a. To find a few good tourist guides
   b. To promote job vacancies at The U Square
   c. To encourage the public to visit The U Square
   d. To give the public a chance to appreciate The U Square

66. What does the advertisement focus on?
   a. Calling Titi or Tutu
   b. The beauty of the building
   c. The major attractions in The U Square
   d. Coming to The U Square before 20th November

68. Those who want the mystery pack should go to The U Square
   a. after 20th November 2007
   b. before 20th November 2007
   c. before 20th December 2007
   d. before 20th November 2008
Part 2 (22 Marks)

SUMMARY

I. Choose a word to replace each of the lists below.

stationery flowers luggage games furniture
vehicles footwear fabrics clothing accessories

69. sandals, shoes, boots - ____________________
70. cotton, velvet, silk - ____________________
71. pencil, eraser, pen - ____________________
72. motorcycles, cars, trucks - ________________
73. orchid, rose, hibiscus - ________________
74. shirts, shorts, jeans - ________________
75. badminton, tennis, golf - ________________
76. brooch, chain, ring - ________________
77. table, chair, cupboard - ________________
78. handbag, pouch, suitcase - ________________

II. Replace each phrase below with one word.

Example: year after year – annually

79. all of the sudden - ____________________
80. father and mother - ____________________
81. brother and sister - ____________________
82. too many people                                    -
83. put off something till a later date                -
84. over and over again                                -
85. to be on time                                      -
86. words of a song                                    -
87. to think about something                           -
88. to say you are sorry                               -

III. Shorten the following sentences by stating only the main idea.

89. When Idy was young, she was always late for school. She cheated in her examination and got punished. She also played truant and was finally expelled.

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90. First, stay away from food that contains a lot of sugar or carbohydrates. Eat more fish and avoid red meat which is high in fat.

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Part 3 (10 marks)

WRITING

Write two or three paragraphs on one of the following topics.

1. Describe something that has changed in your life as a result of moving to a new place, or something that has changed with the passing of time.

2. How do you feel about growing older? What have you learned from your life? In what ways has growing older changed you?