

Answer all the questions. Please write clearly in blue or black ink. Marks may be deducted if your handwriting is difficult to read.

Grammar (50 marks)

Choose the correct answer to complete the phrases and write the letter in the space provided.

1. _____ tomorrow, so we can go out somewhere.
A. I'm not working B. I don't work C. I won't work
2. Cathy was sitting in an armchair resting. She was tired because _____ very hard.
A. She was working B. she's been working C. she'd been working
3. You're always at home. You _____ out more often.
A. Should go B. had better go C. had better to go
4. I know I locked the door. I dearly remember _____ it.
A. To have locked B. locking C. to lock
5. I'm not tired enough to go to bed. If I _____ to bed now, I wouldn't sleep.
A. go B. went C. had gone D. would go
6. There's somebody walking behind us. I think _____.
A. We are following B. we are being following C. we are followed D. we are being followed
7. We haven't got _____ on holiday at the moment.
A. Money enough to go B. money enough for going C. enough money to go
8. I saw Steve _____ a concert on Saturday.
A. at B. in C. on D. to
9. I'm not very good _____ repairing things.
A. For B. in C. on D. at
10. Shall I stay here?" "I'd rather _____ with us."
A. You come B. you to come C. you came D. you would come

English Usage (60 marks)

For Questions 1-12, read the text below and decide which answer A, B, C or D best fits each space.

Environmental Concerns

Earth is the only (0) **B** we know of in the universe that can support human life. (1) _____ human activities are making the planet less fit to live on. As the western world (2) _____ on consuming two-thirds of the world's resources while half of the world's population do so (3) _____ to stay alive we are rapidly destroying the (4) _____ resource we have by which all people can survive and prosper. Everywhere fertile soil is (5) _____ built on or washed into the sea. Renewable resources are exploited so much that they will never be able to recover (6) _____. We discharge pollutants into the atmosphere without any thought of the consequences. As a (7) _____ the planet's ability to support people is being (8) _____ at the very time when rising human numbers and consumption are (9) _____ increasingly heavy demands on it.

The Earth's (10) _____ resources are there for us to use. We need food, water, air, energy, medicines, warmth, shelter and minerals to (11) _____ us fed, comfortable, healthy and active. If we are sensible in how we use the resources they will (12) _____ indefinitely. But if we use them wastefully and excessively they will soon run out and everyone will suffer.

0.	A situation	B <u>place</u>	C position	D site
1.	A Although	B Still	C Yet	D Despite
2.	A continues	B repeats	C carries	D follows
3.	A already	B just	C for	D entirely
4.	A alone	B individual	C lone	D only
5.	A sooner	B neither	C either	D rather
6.	A quite	B greatly	C utterly	D completely
7.	A development	B result	C reaction	D product
8.	A stopped	B narrowed	C reduced	D cut
9.	A doing	B having	C taking	D making
10.	A natural	B real	C living	D genuine
11.	A hold	B maintain	C stay	D keep
12.	A last	B stand	C go	D remain

Comprehension: (40 marks)

Read the text carefully, then answer the questions:

Clothing is a distinctly human artifact. Even more than the use of tools, it distinguishes humans from the other creatures on this planet. While there are other creatures which use implements to a greater or lesser degree, clothing is unique to humanity. Clothing is also uniquely human, in that it serves more than one function. The basic purpose of clothing was originally utilitarian. By putting on an artificial skin, humans were able to move into regions where they otherwise would have been unable to cope with the climate. An extreme example of this use of clothing can be seen among the Eskimos, and other people who live with extreme cold. However, clothing was not only used for protection from the elements, but has also been a means of displaying one's status and sense of style for as long as humans have had civilisation. Thus clothing also developed in countries where there is no real practical need for it, apart from the other, very human function of preserving the modesty of the wearer.

Clothing tells us many things about the wearer. It can be used to indicate whether she is a member of a particular group or organisation, the most extreme example of this type of clothing being a uniform. It tells us a lot about the importance of clothing that the clothes a person was wearing have been, literally, the difference between life and death. In war, soldiers recognise friends and enemies by their uniforms. Spies may be shot if captured, but if they go about their business in the uniform of their country, they are regarded as legitimate members of that country's armed forces.

Uniforms can also be less formal. Anyone who has seen a group of teenagers walking together will have noticed that their clothing conforms to the standard set by their particular group. Nor are teens the only ones who are subject to such pressures. It is a rare businessman who does not feel the need to wear a suit and tie. Most politicians also try to be neat and well-dressed. People who wish to impress others often do so by the selection of their clothes - sometimes by choosing more expensive versions. This can be seen particularly in the fashion industry, where clothing by a particular designer fetches prices which are out of all proportion to the actual utilitarian value of the material.

The significance of what we wear and how we wear it is, if anything, becoming more rather than less important as the cultures of the world mix and sometimes come into collision. There have been cases on holiday islands where the locals have a strict conservative tradition and have been outraged by visitors - especially female visitors - who wear far less than the minimum that the locals consider decent. The humble headscarf has become a symbol of conformism to religious values, and some westerners are as affronted by a woman wearing one as others in the middle east are upset by its absence. (Yet in medieval Europe, both men and women habitually kept their heads covered in public, and almost always when outdoors.) Indeed, the signals given by clothing as worn by men and women has not decreased because many women now wear what were once "men's" garments. For example today most women are very comfortable wearing jeans. Yet the sight of a man in a dress would raise eyebrows in most western cultures. For even though the signals given by clothing change over time - the ancient Romans thought that only barbarians wore trousers - the signals themselves are as strong as ever. It is impossible not to signal something about yourself in the clothes you wear, for even not trying to say anything is itself a strong signal.

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Therefore, even though we are steadily managing to adjust our micro-environments to temperatures which are as close to ideal as the human body wants, and even though sexual taboos of undress are being steadily eroded, it is highly unlikely that there will be no use for clothing in our future, unless humanity evolves into a completely new species.

1. *Clothes are uniquely human because they*
 - a. are artifacts
 - b. have many different functions
 - c. are made by tools
 - d. are worn when they are unnecessary

2. *The author thinks that*
 - a. clothing is an implement
 - b. there is no real need for clothing in some countries
 - c. clothes are principally for protection from the weather
 - d. people will always wear clothes

3. *Which of the following does the author NOT give as a function of clothing?*
 - a. to show how wealthy or powerful the wearer is
 - b. to show the wearer's taste
 - c. to adjust our micro-environment
 - d. to avoid indecency

4. *According to the article, uniforms*
 - a. are mainly worn by soldiers
 - b. have many functions
 - c. show membership of a group
 - d. are always worn by teenagers

5. *The author suggests that fashion in clothing*
 - a. is ridiculous
 - b. is part of its social function
 - c. is used to show membership of a group
 - d. makes clothes too expensive

6. *Teenagers wear very similar clothing to their friends*
 - a. because they have the same climate
 - b. to avoid looking different from the others
 - c. because of sexual taboos of undress
 - d. to display their status and style

7. *In future clothing will*
 - a. be worn by other species
 - b. be less needed for its original function
 - c. be steadily eroded
 - d. become ideal for the needs of the human body

8. *What might be a suitable title for the article?*
 - a. The function of clothing
 - b. Clothing as fashion
 - c. The future of clothes
 - d. The story of clothes.

