

B. Instructions: Add quotation marks and a comma where necessary. (10 Points)

1. I might have to do homework before I can come over Jessie said.
2. My favorite Shirley Jackson short story is The Lottery.
3. "I think I forgot," Aaron announced to pack socks for the trip.
4. According to *The Oxford Learner's Dictionary* a schedule is a plan that lists all the work that you have to do and when you must do each thing.
5. This bottle says that sunscreen should be reapplied after swimming or taking part in sports activities Kina said.
6. Terry said The weather forecast in this newspaper says that snow is expected to accumulate up to five inches over the next 24 hours.
7. Have you ever wondered Monica asked, "how many stars are in the sky?"
8. The dictionary defines *social capital* as the networks of relationships among people who live and work in a particular society that enable the society to exist and be successful.
9. Professor Kaplan announced Three absences will result in a dropped grade.
10. The first chapter of *The Wonderful Wizard of Oz* is called The Cyclone.

C: Instructions: Rewrite the sentence putting descriptive adjectives in the correct order.
(3 Points)

1. My brother said he saw a big black shiny car left the driveway.

_____ (1)

2. The old sweet tall lady donated all her money to the zoo.

_____ (1)

3. If you decided to join this marathon, you would have to run through a long muddy dark road.

_____ (1)

D. Instructions: Rearrange the sentences below into the correct order of a good paragraph.
(10 Points)

Paragraph 1

_____ But sometimes, the persons of opposite nature also come closer fall in each other's company by accident, chance or out of ignorance vitiating the above statement to some extent.

_____ If a man moves in the company of good, gentle and noble people, he is usually adjudged to be a gentleman.

_____ To explain, it is usual for a man to see company of those who possess tastes, tendencies and temperaments like his own.

_____ On the other side, if he keeps company with evil persons and bad characters, he is considered to be a man of bad character.

_____ Generally, the character and conduct of a person is gauged by the kinds of people he mixes and moves with.

Paragraph 2

_____ When finally they made their first ascent from the desert tract beside the sea, to be borne aloft for almost a whole minute, a great change was effected in the nation's attitude.

_____ Accordingly, the brothers, each a man of mettle and each the perfect complement to the other, set out with their ingenious device, but with their very little capital.

_____ Those who had formerly been skeptical and had prophesied that the wright machine would remain forever stationary on the earth, were loudest in their praise of the pioneers of the air.

_____ Men laughed at the Wright Brothers, mechanics from Dayton, saying that a practicable flying machine would never be built and counseled them to stay on the ground.

_____ The wrights, however, refused to accept this advice or to alter their plans, for they were certain that their machine embodied the principles of aviation and they were confident of their success.

Part II (10 Points)

A. Instructions: Write **ONE** complete sentence in the blank using the information below the paragraph. (4 Points; 2 points each)

Tornado



Tornado is one of the most violent atmospheric storms that can occur around the world. It is a violent rotating column of air extending from a thunderstorm to the ground. The most violent tornadoes are capable of tremendous destruction with wind speeds of up to 300 mph. _____

_____ (2)

Tornadoes occur in many parts of the world, including Australia, Europe, Africa, Asia, and South America. Even New Zealand reports about 20 tornadoes each year. Two of the highest concentrations of tornadoes outside the U.S. are Argentina and Bangladesh.

Ideas:

- *The tornado used its power to uproot trees.*
- *The tornado used its power to toss cars around.*
- *The trees were huge.*
- *The cars were tossed around as if they were toys.*

Comfort zone

Most of people feel safe when they are in their comfort zone, but if they want to improve themselves they should step out of it. According to a psychological magazine, comfort zone is a place or situation where someone feels safe or at ease without stress. It provides a state of mental security. However, Robert M. Yerkes and John D. Dodson explained that people need a state of relative anxiety—a space where their stress levels are slightly higher than normal. This space is called "Optimal Anxiety," and it's just outside their comfort zone. _____

_____ (2)

However, pushing too hard can actually cause a negative result, and reinforce the idea that challenging yourself is a bad idea. It's our natural tendency to return to an anxiety neutral, comfortable state. You can understand why it's so hard to kick your brain out of your comfort zone.

Ideas:

- *Anyone knows that when he really challenges himself, he can turn up amazing results.*
- *Anyone has ever pushed themselves to get to the next level.*
- *Anyone has ever pushed themselves to accomplish something.*

B. Instructions: Write **ONE** complete sentence in the blank using the given information.
(6 Points; 2 points each)

1. Ideas:

- *She parked a car.*
- *It was her car.*
- *She parked illegally.*
- *She got a ticket from the police.*
- *The ticket was for \$50.*

_____ (2)

2. Ideas:

- *Texting is certainly very common.*
- *The fact is true now.*
- *This is because texting is convenient.*
- *This is because texting is fast.*

(2)

3. Ideas:

- *Scientists find evidence of this tradition.*
- *The evidence is in a variety of location.*
- *The tradition is long-standing.*
- *This happens today.*

(2)

Part III (13 Points)

A. Instructions: Fill in each blank with an adjective to create a meaningful paragraph.
(7 Points)

A beach in Hawaii is a/an _____(0.5) place. The beach smells _____(0.5) like a new ocean air freshener. The sand is so _____(0.5). When you walk on it, you feel like you walk on a burning grill. On the beach, people are laughing and playing on the _____(0.5) sand, and others are relaxing on the beach sunbathing. Not far from the _____(0.5) shore, you can see the _____(0.5) trees. They sway in the air from the _____(0.5) wind. From the far distance, you can see the _____(0.5) ocean. If you look into the sky, you will see the _____(0.5) sun, and some _____(0.5) sea birds. At night, you can hear the _____(0.5) sound of waves and the _____(0.5) wind. To sum up this beach is a/an _____(0.5) for a/an _____(0.5) holiday.

B. Instructions: Using the provided nouns to write **ONE** complete sentence with at least **THREE** adjectives. (6 Points)

1. dog / pet / home

(1)

2. vacation / map / hotel

(1)

3. study / dictionary / test

(1)

4. country / travel / destination

(1)

5. Polar bear/ ice / Russia

(1)

6. Rose/ Garden/ holiday

(1)

Part IV (7 Points)

Instructions: Read two paragraphs and answer the questions.

With many outstanding features, pizza becomes one of my favorite foods. Mostly everyone in the world has had pizza in some way or form. First, pizza looks amazing. It has a perfectly circular and round shape. Ones of the great things that make pizza amazing are melted mozzarella cheese and toppings: pepperoni, jalapeno, ham, sausage, etc. They all make pizza unique in its own way, and also give it that impressive look and heavenly taste. Second, the delicious and distinctive taste of pizza can impress people around the world. Depending on the topping you choose, pizza can be different for everyone. It can be spicy if you add jalapeno, or spread some red pepper over it. It's hot and succulent at the same time. It's truly a wonderful taste when you try that first bite. All flavors of sauce, cheese and

seasoning can rush towards your taste buds. Moreover, I love the sound pizza makes -- that crunchy sound you hear when you put it inside your mouth and bite into that delicious seasoned crust. The last pleasant feature of pizza is its smell. It's compelling smell that people around the world get used to. A whiff of the melting mozzarella cheese or sauce is an enticing odor. Pizza has many smells that will have people lined up craving a slice or more. In conclusion, these are the reasons why pizza is the greatest dish in the world and my favorite food.

1. What does this paragraph describe?

_____ (1)

2. Can any sentences be deleted without changing the paragraph's meaning? If yes, which ones, and why? If no, why not?

_____ (2)

3. From the information in the paragraph, how do you think the writer feels about the topic? What words helped you form this opinion?

_____ (2)

4. Does the writer create any sensory image in the readers' mind? Give at least 2 examples from the paragraph to support your answer.

_____ (2)

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