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ALL ANSWERS MUST BE WRITTEN IN THE ANSWER-BOOK

PART I: READING COMPREHENSION (50 MARKS)

Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow:

On a cold, dark winter's evening in 1988, John Hickes and Richard Williams were driving to a friend's house near Canterbury when they saw a bright red object shining in the fields about 500 meters in front of them. As they drove nearer they were surprised to find a large area of hot melted iron boiling on the ground like a pool of lava.

Parts of the metal were taken to the nearby University of Kent where they were found to contain iron and small amounts of aluminium. A specialist of the University concluded that the material could not have come from a meteor and space experts said it could not have come from an aeroplane or a rocket.

Of course there were suggestions that the whole thing might have been a practical joke but this would have been very difficult to set up because it would not be very easy to drop large quantities of hot melted metal from the sky.

Unexplained phenomena of this nature have been seen and noted down for centuries, but the modern concern with UFOs began in 1947, when there was an unusually large number of reported sightings. In the last 50 years there have been over 10.000 such reports in Britain alone. Most of these are in fact man-made objects such as aircraft and satellites, or astronomical phenomena such as falling stars. However, many cases remain unexplained leading experts to the conclusion that beings from other planets have indeed visited our planet!

In another case in the 1980s Les and Linda Burham were cycling together along a country road in Sussex when a sudden, blinding light almost caused them to fall off their bicycles. As they stopped to cover their eyes, they felt intense heat and heard a noise like the sound of a high speed train. A minute or so later they were able to look up again, and were greeted with the sight of a huge, diamond-shaped metal object floating above the treetops, giving out flames and a loud noise.

They watched in shocked silence as the gigantic structure climbed high into the air and disappeared at great speed out to sea.

As they cycled the short distance home, Les and Linda suffered headaches and sickness, and during the next few days experienced stomach trouble and minor skin burns. As a result of illness and depression Linda was unable to go to work for nearly six weeks.

A. Choose the statement (a, b, c or d) according to the passage.

(4x 5=20 marks)

1. The object that John Hickes and Richard Williams saw

- a) was very hot.
- b) came up through the ground.
- c) changed from bright to dark.
- d) was 500 meters wide.

2. Records of mysterious happenings in the sky were first made

- a) 50 years ago.
- b) in 1947.
- c) hundreds of years ago.
- d) last century.

3. The object which Les and Linda saw

- a) was travelling at the same speed as a train.
- b) was very bright.
- c) was made of metal and diamonds.
- d) was hiding among the trees.

4. As a result of their experience Les and Linda

- a) began to feel unwell soon afterwards.
- b) were both ill for several weeks.
- c) were badly burnt.
- d) started feeling sick when they got home.

B. Find a word that means the opposite of the following words as they are used in the text. The words are in bold in the text.

(5X2=10 marks)

1. falling 2. high 3. above 4. next 5. minor

C. Write whether the following statements are TRUE OR FALSE according to the text:

(5X2=10 marks)

- 1. The metal object John and Richard saw was not part of a man-made machine. _____
- 2. Many people believed that John and Richard had made a practical joke. _____
- 3. Phenomena of UFOs are not new. _____
- 4. Not all the phenomena are explained. _____
- 5. The sighting affected only Linda's health. _____

D. Match the words in column A with their meanings in column B. Write the correct letter next to the respective number:

(5X2=10 marks)

- | A | B |
|---------------|---------------------------|
| 1. experts | a giving out strong light |
| 2. quantities | b huge |
| 3. bright | c specialists |
| 4. intense | d amounts |
| 5. gigantic | e very strong |

PART II: USE OF ENGLISH (50 MARKS)

A. Choose the word or phrase (A, B, C or D) that best completes the sentence. (10X3=30marks)

1. There is big _____ among the mobile phone companies in this country.
A. organisation B. competition C. action D. business
2. Jessica told me that she _____ my party very much.
A. has enjoyed B. was enjoyed C. had enjoyed D. is enjoying
3. If you _____ so much cake last night you wouldn't have felt sick.
A. wouldn't eat B. didn't eat C. would have eaten D. hadn't eaten
4. Please let me know when _____ to go.
A. you will be ready B. you are ready C. are you ready D. will you be ready
5. Unfortunately the police couldn't do _____ to help us.
A. anything B. nothing C. everything D. something
6. I'd like to change the furniture in my house because it _____ quite old.
A. are B. is C. was D. has been
7. Could I have _____ minutes of your time?
A. any B. many C. few D. a few
8. Sally is upset because she _____ to the party.
A. hasn't invited B. doesn't invite C. hasn't been invited D. didn't invite
9. Helen is expected _____ tomorrow.
A. arriving B. to arrive C. arrive D. is arriving
10. You _____ to pay now. You can do it later.
A. couldn't B. ought not to C. mustn't D. don't have

B. Fill in each gap in the following passage with a suitable word from the box. (10x2=20 marks)

of	as	used	until	by
still	in	for	all	to

Most of us use the Internet. Some people see it (1) _____ an encyclopedia, which can be (2) _____ to get information. However, when it was first invented it had a different purpose. (3) _____ then the radio and the telephone had been used (4) _____ communication but they were not safe ways (5) _____ passing secret information. In 1969, the Internet was established in the American Pentagon. Since then, the Internet has grown and it is (6) _____ developing. Today millions of people are connected (7) _____ the Internet. (8) _____ the last few years it has also been used for chatting with people (9) _____ over the world. Perhaps the telephone will be replaced (10) _____ e-mail in the future.
