

20__-20__ Educational Year ____ High School, __ Term ____ Written English Exam for __ Grades

Name: _____ Surname: _____ Class: _____ Number: _____ Mark: _____

A-READING

Read the passage and answer the questions. (5X5=25pts.)

99-YEAR-OLD DIED WITH LOST LOVE'S PHOTO

At the age of only 26, Elizabeth's heart was broken when Eric, the man she planned to marry, was poisoned. She was left with a single photograph of her fiancé. When she died in her sleep last month, aged 99, she was holding that photograph. Time never healed her wounds sufficiently for her to fall in love again and her age did not fade her memories of her 29-year-old fiancé. In her last days, Elizabeth lost the will to eat but not the desire to look at the photograph of Eric. Elizabeth spent her last five years at the nursing home. A charge nurse said, "Elizabeth was a lovely little lady. After her death, I took the photo and when I looked at the photograph, I found a handwritten message on the back". "My sister, Beatrice, killed Eric, I saw her."

- 1) Why was Elizabeth's heart broken?
_____.
- 2) At what age did Eric die?
_____.
- 3) Where did she spend her last five years?
_____.
- 4) How did Eric die?
_____.
- 5) What did the charge nurse find on the back of the photograph?
_____.

B- VOCABULARY

Fill in the blanks with the names of the crimes given below. (5X5=25pts.)

kidnapping / mugging / murder / theft / hijacking

- 1) Mark decided to drive home in a snowy weather. While he was turning the corner, he crashed into another car and accidentally killed the driver. _____
- 2) A young man took a pistol and ordered the pilot to fly Dubai. _____
- 3) A group of people waited until night, carefully forced open the window and climbed into the house. They took the TV and a lot of money. _____
- 4) Lee waited on a dark corner until the young woman turned into the street. Then, he jumped out, attacked her, took her bag and ran off with her handbag. _____
- 5) Brad and Mary Smith stopped a millionaire, Amanda Woods, outside her residence and forced her to go with them. They demanded one million dollars from the family to free her. _____

C- GRAMMAR

a) Fill in the blanks with the correct form of the verb. (5X3=15pts.)

- 1) I used my time well while I _____ (wait) for my plane.
- 2) I wasn't working when my boss _____ (walk) in my office.
- 3) I saw a car crash while I _____ (talk) on the phone.
- 4) My husband _____ (have) long hair and a beard when he was at the university.
- 5) It started snowing while I _____ (drive) to work.

b) Complete the sentences according to yourself. (5x2=10 pts)

1. When I was a child, _____ .
2. While I was reading my book at my room, _____
3. When I heard the noise upstairs, _____
4. When I saw my best friend fighting with a boy, _____
5. While I was surfing on the net at the classroom, _____

D- WRITING

Suppose you are a police officer and you saw a bank robbery. What must you do? Write a short paragraph. (25pts.)

SPEAKING

Choose one of the topics below and talk about it.

- a) You cooked a delicious meal yesterday and a friend of you wants the recipe. Tell how you cook.
- b) Talk about your childhood.
- c) Search one of a Sherlock Holmes story via web and tell it to your friends.

LISTENING

Listen to the track and fill in the gaps.

Some people have _____ abilities. Many of these abilities are _____, that's to say they are not under the person's _____. Starting with the supertasters, they can taste with greater intensity than the rest of the other people. They have a stronger _____ to the sensation of taste. Supertasters generally dislike certain foods such as _____, coffee, brussels sprouts and grapefruit juice. As for the people with eidetic _____, they have a photographic memory. They can remember things as a _____. They can remember all the details. The most _____ group is mental calculators. They can do calculation with large numbers in their _____. However, there is a dramatic side of these people. Most of them _____ from savant syndrome.