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SECȚIUNEA A

SUBIECTUL I (8 items x 1p = 8p)

For questions 1-8, read the text below and decide which answer (A, B, C or D) best fits each gap.

Bread is an important part of what we eat, and many people would think a meal is incomplete without it. Bread has been part of man's diet since prehistoric times. In fact, the Egyptians were making bread four thousand years (1) ... and the ancient Romans had public ovens set (2) in which they would (3) their daily supply. It wasn't until the nineteenth century, when the industrial revolution took place that bakers began to wake up before sunrise to meet the demands (4) breakfast. There are two main kinds of bread. Unleavened (flat) bread and leavened bread, where yeast is used to make the bread (5) (6) has shown that bread has great nutritional value. (7) protein, bread contains plenty of starch, calcium and vitamin B. These days, baking bread is big (8) After all, everyone wants bread!

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|------------------|-----------------|------------|--------------|
| 1) A ago | B since | C before | D past |
| 2) A off | B in | C out | D up |
| 3) A grill | B bake | C roast | D fry |
| 4) A on | B for | C during | D in |
| 5) A risen | B arise | C raise | D rise |
| 6) A Interview | B Investigation | C Search | D Research |
| 7) A Furthermore | B As far as | C Not only | D As well as |
| 8) A job | B work | C business | D profession |

SUBIECTUL II (8 items x 1p = 8p)

For questions 1-8, read the text below and think of the word which best fits each space. Use only one word in each space.

In the 1930s, it was possible to fly all the way from Southampton in England to the Far East. This was accomplished by using flying boats, which were a combination of (1) airplane and boat. The trip lasted just under two weeks, which is a snail's pace in comparison (2) ... today's jet-engine aircraft. However, it was substantially quicker than the alternative, which was (3) ... boat. This service was operated by Imperial Airways and was extremely luxurious. Flying boats (4) ... carry up to twenty-four passengers. The maximum distance they could fly (5) ... refueling was approximately seven hundred miles. (6).... a result, they had to make many stops. Because night flying was difficult, passengers would spend the nights in places such as Athens, Karachi and Bangkok. The flight (7) ...regarded as a very adventurous and glamorous journey. The service stopped (8) ... the Second World War broke out.

SUBIECTUL III (10 items x 1p= 10p)

For questions 1-10, read the text below. Use the word given in capitals at the end of the lines to form a word that fits in the gap in the same line.

Meteorologists are scientists who study the weather and make weather (1) In order to make a (2) reading, meteorologists must take a lot of things into (3) In fact, the data required is collected several times a day from (4) different sources all over the world. To gather this information, special types of (5) are used. This data is, of course, valuable to everybody. The reports and (6) that meteorologists give are usually very reliable. (7) to take their advice could in some cases be a matter of life or (8), such as in the cases of heavy downpours and dangerously high temperatures. The.....(9) of weather forecasts is undeniable. Millions of(10) all around the world watch weather channels every day.

PREDICT
SUCCEED
CONSIDER
COMPLETE
EQUIP
WARN
FAIL
DIE
POPULAR
VIEW

SUBIECTUL IV (10 items x 1,5p = 15p)

Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the word given. Do not change the word given. You must use between 2-5 words, including the word given.

- 1) If Sarah doesn't take her antibiotics, she won't recover.

UNLESS

Sarah won't recover her antibiotics.

- 2) 'I'm sorry I didn't ask for permission to leave the room,' she said.

APOLOGISED

She for permission to leave the room.

- 3) The students are anxious to get the results of the test.

FORWARD

The studentsthe results of the test.

- 4) Betty, does the hairdresser dye your hair every month?

HAVE

Betty, dyed every month?

- 5) Edward isn't as persuasive as he needs to be to follow a career in sales.

ENOUGH

Edward isn't a career in sales.

- 6) Jane regrets selling her bike.

WISHES

Jane her bike.

- 7) Someone stole the man's car and he has gone to the police station.

WHOSE

The has gone to the police station.

- 8) 'Don't be late for the meeting' the manager said to Chris.

ADVISED

The manager late for the meeting.

- 9) I didn't visit the Cote d'Azur last summer because I didn't have enough money.

AFFORD

I the Cote d'Azur last summer.

- 10) They have their dog looked after by Jim whenever they go on holiday.

GET

They their dog whenever they go on holiday.

SUBIECTUL V (6 items x 1,5p = 9p)

For questions 1-6, decide which option (a, b, c or d) best suits each gap.

1. Do you know where ...?
a. was Shakespeare born
b. has Shakespeare been born
c. Shakespeare was born
d. was Shakespeare born
2. Neither my sister, nor my brother ... at home this time yesterday.
a. were
b. was
c. was being
d. had been
3. If she ..., she wouldn't have failed the exam.
a. would have listened
b. listens to me
c. listened to me
d. had listened to me
4. I don't know why I ... such silly mistakes.
a. always do
b. always make
c. always am making
d. always have made
5. It's high time she ... the truth.
a. knows
b. know
c. should know
d. knew
6. Jane said she would lend me the book after she ... it.
a. finished
b. had finished
c. finishes
d. has finished

SUBIECTUL VI(50 p)

Read this part of a letter from your English –speaking friend Jo.

Can you help me with a class project? I have to write about the things in my town that I would like to change. Can you tell me what things in your town you would change? You can write about anything you like – just explain why you think they need to change and how you would change them. Write soon.

Write your letter in 170-180 words in an appropriate style.

NOTĂ

- **Toate subiectele sunt obligatorii.**
- **Nu se acordă puncte din oficiu.**
- **Timp de lucru: 3 ore.**