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Time allowed – THREE hours. (Including listening)

Answer ALL the questions. Check the back page.

You may use correcting fluid if necessary.

Use a blue or black PEN in the spaces provided.

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Section W1 (25 marks)

*Write a composition of 200–250 words on **ONE** of the following topics:*

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1. What is your greatest ambition in life? Explain the reasons for this.
2. Describe what you can remember about your first day at school.
3. Give an account of a time when you had to make a difficult decision.
4. 'People should spend less time at work.' Discuss.

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Marks Awarded

Ask for extra paper if required.

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Section W2 (15 marks)

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You must do both Task 1 *and* Task 2
They both relate to the situation below:

You have seen online that a charity is looking for volunteers in your area.

Task 1- Write a formal letter of 80–100 words to the manager of the charity.

In your letter, you should:
- ask two questions about working as a volunteer for the charity
- explain when you are available to do the charity work

(You do not need to include the addresses in the letter.)

Task 1

Now go to task 2 to complete this section.

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Section W2 (continued)

Marks Awarded

You have seen online that a charity is looking for volunteers in your area.

Task 2- Write an informal email of about 50 words to a friend.

In your email, you should:
- tell your friend about the work the charity does
- explain why you are keen to do this voluntary work

From:

Subject:

Message:

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Section R1 (13 marks)
Read the following passage and answer all the questions.

Marks Awarded

Living on South Georgia Island

South Georgia Island is located 2,150 kilometres from the southern end of South America. It is home to probably the most isolated museum in the world. Located in a former whale-hunting station in the abandoned town of Grytviken, the museum is open annually from October to March. Its visitors are cruise passengers, who can number 15,000 and are the greatest source of income for the island. Visitors are attracted by the island's rich wildlife. However, this is also where the great early-20th-century explorer, Ernest Shackleton, is buried, and this is another place of interest for tourists. Every year, temporary residents come to look after the visitors. Some of these museum staff have ties to the history of the island. Helen McDonald's grandfathers were based in Grytviken in the 1950s, working as whale hunters. The station had been opened in 1904 by Norwegian fishermen. By the 1960s, whale hunting was in sharp decline and the station closed, leaving boats which can still be seen rusting in the sea.

Museum staff like Helen MacDonald stay for a season. They are accommodated in nearby Leith Harbour along with all the others on the island, who spend up to a year there working in government roles, or as scientists and technicians. One of them is Michael Sinclair, who not only runs a lucrative business in the post office selling stamps to visitors, but also conducts weddings for cruise passengers. Biologist Peter Stewart issues permits for catching fish, a rich resource for the island and one which has recovered significantly since the 1960s. He also monitors the island's diverse wildlife including penguins and seals. Reindeer were introduced by the Norwegians in the early 1900s, but the animals seriously damaged the island's vegetation. Therefore, despite being brought in as a source of food, they had to be removed. Fresh food is still a rarity as everything is supplied by ship.

The internet connection is poor, but being surrounded by such immense natural beauty, the teams spend much of their free time hiking outdoors and enjoy the relative isolation. In summer, there is almost 24-hour sunlight, and it is often mild, providing lots of opportunities to explore the island after work in favourable weather conditions. Although the strength of the winds can be unpleasant and even dangerous, rainfall causes few problems and is well-distributed over the seasons.

For questions 1-3, please answer in complete sentences. (2 marks each)

1. What attractions are there for visitors on South Georgia?

2. Why was Grytviken abandoned?

3. Which non-native animal was taken to South Georgia and why?

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Marks Awarded

For questions 4-8, tick (✓) the box. (1 mark each)

4. Grytviken has a small number of permanent residents.

True ☐ False ☐

5. Contact with the outside world can be difficult.

True ☐ False ☐

6. The industry which earns the most on South Georgia is

A fishing.
B boat building.
C tourism.

A ☐ B ☐ C ☐

7. Who can marry couples on South Georgia?

A Helen McDonald
B Michael Sinclair
C Peter Stewart

A ☐ B ☐ C ☐

8. What is the problem with the weather on the island?

A The heat of the sun can be extreme.
B The rain can be excessive.
C The winds can be violent.

A ☐ B ☐ C ☐

Write the words in the box. (½ a mark each)

9. Find the word or phrase in the passage which means the **SAME** as:

profit-making ***(paragraph 2)*** ☐

outstanding ***(paragraph 3)*** ☐

10. Find the word or phrase in the passage which means the **OPPOSITE** of:

common thing ***(paragraph 2)*** ☐

unsuitable ***(paragraph 3)*** ☐

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Marks Awarded

Section R2 (7 marks)

Read the six short news stories about charities below. Choose from the articles (A to F) and complete the answer grid. The articles may be chosen more than once. ***One*** *article should* ***not*** *be chosen at all. One question has been done for you as an example.*

A. Local charities report facing increased demand, enormous energy costs and a reduction in financial support from the public. Ruth Jacobs, who runs a dog charity, says that food and electricity costs have shot up. She is also struggling to find homes for abandoned dogs. However, despite these challenges, there is no shortage of people prepared to offer their time to walk and care for the animals at their shelter.

B. Thousands of pounds worth of equipment belonging to a wildlife charity which looks after woodland across the county has been stolen. The theft occurred over the weekend, when thieves forced open a locked container and stole items. This is the third time that the charity has been the victim of theft. The tools are crucial to maintaining woodland and their loss will have a considerable impact on the work of the charity's volunteers.

C. A Welsh animal centre says that many more members of the public are bringing in their cats because they can no longer afford to look after them. The centre is currently looking for more volunteers to work with cats and kittens abandoned at the centre to help them prepare for their new lives. Centre manager Kaylene Thomas said that they also work with owners, by offering medical support and cat food, to help them keep their pets.

D. A Kent charity may lose thousands of pounds in income after thieves stole fuel from several of its vans. In order to remove the fuel, thieves used a drill to make holes in the vehicles. This damage will cause the vehicles, which are used to collect donations from the public, to be off the road for several weeks. The value of the fuel stolen was £180, but the loss in income to the charity will be many times higher.

E. Many voluntary organisations, including homeless charities, are in danger of having to close their doors due to massive increases in operating costs. Charities large and small are having to reduce their services due to a lack of money. Some have seen their energy bills increase by 100%. They have called on the government to revise their decision to cut funding at a time when people are in even greater need of support.

F. An 8-year-old boy has raised over £1,500 for a shelter which takes care of sick seals. Toby Sands loves seals and is a regular visitor there. His hair was 40 centimetres long and he decided to ask people to sponsor him to have his hair cut to help pay for the shelter's food and vet bills. The shelter gave Toby a handmade woollen seal as a thank you for the money raised.

Which article, A, B, C, D, E or F talks about

having plenty of helpers?	**e.g.**	**A**
a call for a change of mind?	**1**	
helpers needed?	**2**	
a change of appearance?	**3**	
a repeated crime?	**4**	
a toy animal?	**5**	
pets remaining at home?	**6**	
the public giving less money?	**7**	

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Section R3 (10 marks)
Choose the correct answer in each sentence and tick the box.

Marks Awarded

Example:

My brother is having his tooth *removed* at the dentist's tomorrow.

☐ **A to remove** ☐ **B remove** ☑ **C removed** ☐ **D removing**

1. _____ I forget, here are the keys to the house.

☐ A Until ☐ B In case ☐ C Although ☐ D In order to

2. Leonie has taken _____ playing the guitar and is really enjoying her weekly lessons.

☐ A down ☐ B with ☐ C in ☐ D up

3. He _____ them some really funny jokes.

☐ A told ☐ B said ☐ C spoke ☐ D put

4. Mike walked home because he couldn't afford _____ for a taxi.

☐ A paying ☐ B have paid ☐ C to pay ☐ D pay

5. I didn't use _____my aunt very often when I was younger.

☐ A to visit ☐ B have visited ☐ C visiting ☐ D visited

6. Alexander Fleming was _____ research into skin diseases when he discovered penicillin.

☐ A making ☐ B having ☐ C getting ☐ D doing

7. She had no idea that her friend _____ Portuguese.

☐ A spoke ☐ B is speaking ☐ C speak ☐ D was spoken

8. The roof must _____ damaged during the storm last night.

☐ A had been ☐ B be ☐ C have been ☐ D being

9. As it's almost sunset, it's about time we _____.

☐ A leaving ☐ B left ☐ C will leave ☐ D could leave

10. Kevin checked the room carefully before _____ the door.

☐ A lock ☐ B locked ☐ C locks ☐ D locking

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Section W3 (10 marks)

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Rewrite the sentences to give the same meaning as the original. Rewrite all direct speech as reported speech.

Example:

We won't go swimming in the sea if it's cold.

Unless it's cold, we'll go swimming in the sea.

1. She works full time *and* she volunteers for two local charities.

Not only

2. 'Let's watch the film at my house,' Tom said to us.

Tom suggested

3. You gave me lots of encouragement so I didn't give up the piano.

If you

4. Please don't use your phone at the dinner table.

I'd rather

5. The local builders are repairing the wall.

The wall

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Section R4 (10 marks)

Read the following sentences. They make a story. Write ONE missing word in each space.

Marks Awarded

Example:

Sonya was born ***in*** the countryside, but she moved to the city for work 20 years ago.

1. Last year however, she decided to move house, mainly because she'd been living in the neighbourhood for _____ long that she was tired of it.

2. It had become more crowded and there was always a shortage of parking places, _____ meant she had to park further and further from her front door.

3. The volume of traffic had definitely increased, there were more buildings everywhere, and the view _____ her upstairs windows was of row upon row of roofs and chimneys.

4. Her house wasn't spacious _____ for her to have a dog and she decided to look for a property in the country.

5. Luckily, she was _____ to arrange the sale of her house very easily, and with a small loan from the bank, she bought a house in a quiet village surrounded by fields.

6. It was an old farm building, which had recently _____ rebuilt and turned into a bright, modern house.

7. _____ loading all her belongings into a van, Sonya drove to her new home with high hopes of a peaceful life.

8. She was delighted to discover that the furniture from her old house fitted in the new one and _____ she needed to buy was a new cooker for the kitchen.

9. Sonya, however, felt that it all seemed _____ good to be true, and that something was bound to go wrong.

10. She was right to worry as within a _____ days, she discovered that her new home was on the flight path of a nearby busy city airport!

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Section R5 (10 marks)
Complete the sentences with the correct form of the words in brackets.

Example:

It's a __beautiful__ day today, but it's going to rain tomorrow. (beauty)

1. In his _____, her father was an Olympic swimmer. (young)

2. His is studying for a teaching _____ at a university in London. (qualify)

3. The fish was rather _____, so I had to add salt and pepper to give it some flavour. (taste)

4. If you want the project to _____, you'll need to work a lot harder. (success)

5. The wind blew with such _____ all night that most of the garden fences fell down. (violent)

6. The hotel rooms were clean, bright and _____ furnished. (comfort)

7. She is demanding an apology for the _____ stories about her in the newspapers. (true)

8. Unfortunately, some _____ mushrooms look exactly like ones which can be eaten. (poison)

9. He was fined £150 for parking _____ in the town centre (legal)

10. The doctor decided to _____ Alison's stomach after she complained of terrible pains. (exam)

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