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PART I: COMPOSITION

(40 MARKS)

Write a composition of 300-350 words on ONE of the following topics:

1. 'Graffiti is a way for young people to express their thoughts and inner feelings and not an act of vandalism'. State your views on the statement.
2. 'Volunteering produces a meaningful and positive impact both on the community and ourselves'. Discuss.

PART II: READING COMPREHENSION

(30 MARKS)

Read the two passages below and do the exercises that follow.

PASSAGE 1



The importance of Interpersonal Relationships

People who learn how to develop interpersonal relationships with almost everyone they meet, certainly, they experience more success in life than those who don't. Effective and personal communication stands at the heart of every relationship, whether you are interacting with a friend, a significant other, a family member, a professional colleague or the sales clerk at the local coffee shop. You may ask yourself: 'What are interpersonal relationships and how can I enjoy more of what they offer?'

Two people that share communication in any form have an interpersonal relationship. Any person with whom you share communication, whether face-to-face, anonymously over the

internet, a stranger you pass on the street or the neighbour next door, defines the meaning of an interpersonal relationship.

The development of interpersonal relationships is the keystone in building what you want to achieve in life. How you interact with others, your body language, the tone of your voice and the expressions on your face are just as important as what you say, if not more important. Interpersonal relationships involve more than just the verbal communication between people. People communicate as much with their gestures and body language as they do with their voice and words.

When you learn to communicate effectively, people gravitate towards you naturally and interact with you because they sense this quality in you. Your ability to make a person feel comfortable in your presence, no matter what their status in society is, is a measure of your effectiveness in the development of interpersonal relationships.

Learning to cultivate when and how to communicate plays a crucial role in the development of interpersonal relationships. But equally crucial, is your willingness and ability to listen to the other person. Successful communicators all have one thing in common: they are good listeners. While it is certainly important to know how to communicate and talk with another person, nothing is more important in flourishing interpersonal relationships than your ability to listen fully to the other person.

(Adapted from: <http://www.datehookup.com/content-importance-of-interpersonal-relationships.htm>)

A. Choose the best answer according to Passage 1 (3 x 2 = 6 marks)

1. People who really know how to communicate

- A. need to define the meaning of interpersonal relationships.
- B. are more successful in their life.
- C. feel more relieved.
- D. can contribute to other people's success.

2. People's effectiveness in interpersonal relationships is measured by

- A. their skill in making other people feel comfortable.
- B. their willingness to help and support others.
- C. the way they speak to other people.
- D. the way they respond to others' actions.

3. Being able to listen to other people...

- A. requires good body language.
- B. is a prerequisite for solving personal problems.
- C. is vital to successful communication.
- D. demands strong determination.

B. Complete the paragraph using ONE word from Passage 1.**(5 x 2 = 10 marks)**

Developing interpersonal relationships is absolutely essential in your success in life. Verbal communication as well as 1. _____ language are just as important in communicating effectively with people around you. The 2. _____ also to make a person feel comfortable in your 3. _____ shows how effective and influential you are in your communication. More importantly, successful 4. _____ certainly need to be good listeners and hence to be able to listen 5. _____ to the other person.

PASSAGE 2**Passive Smoking**

Smokers don't only put themselves at risk of serious health problems but also people around them can be exposed to much more potential danger. The smoke exhaled by someone else or emitted by the tip of a burning cigarette is called environmental tobacco smoke, and breathing it in is known as passive smoking. Environmental tobacco smoke is a major source of indoor air pollution. It exposes non-smokers to most of the same toxic gases, chemicals and fine particles that smokers inhale directly with tobacco smoke. The particles in the unfiltered smoke that drifts from burning cigarette tips can be finer and more concentrated, meaning that they can be inhaled deeper into the lungs and stay longer in the body of the passive smoker than in the person who is smoking. Obviously, the more time people spend in close company with smokers, the more they are exposed to environmental tobacco smoke and the worse the threat to their health. Naturally, this often means that those most at risk are the people, smokers care most about- their loved ones and friends. In 1998, 128 people died of passive smoking and another 1,968 were hospitalised. Frequent exposure to environmental tobacco smoke in enclosed public places such as hotels and bars can be hazardous, too.

What is more important though is how passive smoking can affect children. Even before it is born, a developing baby can be affected by environmental tobacco smoke if the mother smokes or if she is exposed to tobacco smoke during pregnancy. Many harmful substances can reach an unborn baby through its mother's bloodstream and, after birth, through her breast milk. Exposure of unborn children to tobacco smoke may also increase the risk of miscarriage, low birth weight and sudden infant death syndrome or 'cot death'. There is strong evidence that the babies of mothers who smoke have more lung diseases and airway infections after birth, especially in their first year of life.

(Adapted from: [http://www.health.gov.au/internet/main/publishing.nsf/Content/2C2DEB2D69E29B0DCA257BF0001E7410/\\$File/tobpass.pdf](http://www.health.gov.au/internet/main/publishing.nsf/Content/2C2DEB2D69E29B0DCA257BF0001E7410/$File/tobpass.pdf))

C. Choose the best alternative according to Passage 2. (2 x 2 = 4 marks)

1. According to the passage

- A. passive smokers are exposed to more danger than smokers.
- B. smokers are exposed to more danger than passive smokers.
- C. both of the above are correct.
- D. none of the above is correct.

2. Unborn babies

- A. are directly exposed to tobacco smoke.
- B. can be harmed if their mothers smoke.
- C. cannot be affected by tobacco smoke.
- D. can be harmed by their relatives' smoke.

D. Indicate whether the following statements are TRUE or FALSE. (5 x 2 = 10 marks)

		TRUE	FALSE
1	Smokers and passive smokers inhale most of the same toxic gases.		
2	Smokers expose their loved ones and friends to danger.		
3	A lot of unhealthy substances are transferred to the unborn baby through the mother's breast milk.		
4	Exposure of unborn babies to tobacco smoke increases their weight.		
5	Infants might die unexpectedly if they are exposed to tobacco smoke.		

PART III: USE OF ENGLISH (30 MARKS)

A. 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. (10 x 1 = 10 marks)

- 1. Jane started working at her aunt's pharmacy two years ago. **(been)**
Jane _____ at her aunt's pharmacy for two years.
- 2. If you finish your work fast we can go home early. **(the)**
The faster you finish your work _____ we can go home.

3. It isn't necessary to come if you don't feel like it. **(needn't)**
You _____ if you don't feel like it.
4. He was supposed to come at five but he didn't . **(should)**
He _____ at five but he didn't.
5. She managed to pass all her IGCSE exams. **(succeeded)**
She _____ all her IGCSE exams.
6. Although it was snowing, we carried on walking. **(spite)**
We carried on walking _____ snow.
7. They will not leave their child unattended. **(circumstances)**
Under _____ their child unattended.
8. People believed that the accused had stolen the paintings. **(believed)**
The accused _____ the paintings.
9. 'Brian, don't forget to pay the electricity bill,' Ralph said. **(reminded)**
Ralph _____ the electricity bill.
10. It's a pity the party was so boring. **(wish)**
I _____ so boring.

B. Use the words given in brackets to form words that fit the blanks.

(10 x 1 = 10 marks)

Bonnie and Clyde

In some ways, it was easy to romanticize Bonnie and Clyde. They were a young couple in love who were out on the open road, running from the "big, bad law" who were "out to get them." Clyde's **1. _____ (IMPRESS)** driving skill got the gang out of many close calls, while Bonnie's poetry won the hearts of many. Although Bonnie and Clyde had killed people, they were **2. _____ (EQUAL)** known for kidnapping policemen who had caught up to them and then driving them around for hours only to release them, **3. _____ (HARM)**, hundreds of miles away. The two seemed like they were on an adventure, having fun while easily side-stepping the law. As with any image, the **4. _____ (TRUE)** behind Bonnie and Clyde was far from their portrayal in the newspapers. Bonnie and Clyde were responsible for 13 murders, some of whom were innocent people, killed during one of Clyde's many bungled **5. _____ (ROB)**. Bonnie and Clyde lived out of their car, stealing new cars as often as possible, and lived off the money they stole from small grocery stores and gas stations. Sometimes Bonnie and Clyde would rob a bank, but they never managed to walk away with very much money. Bonnie and Clyde were desperate **6. _____ (CRIME)** constantly fearing what they were sure was to come - dying in a hail of bullets from a police ambush. Bonnie

Parker was born on October 1, 1910 in Rowena, Texas as the second of three children to Henry and Emma Parker. The family lived somewhat **7. _____ (COMFORTABLE)** off Henry Parker's job as a bricklayer, but when he died unexpectedly in 1914, Emma Parker moved the family in with her mother in the small town of Cement City, Texas. From all accounts, Bonnie Parker was **8. _____ (BEAUTY)**. She stood 4' 11" and weighed a mere 90 pounds. She did well in school and loved to write poetry. Two poems that she wrote while on the run helped make her **9. _____ (FAME)**. Bored with her average life, Bonnie dropped out of school at the age of 16 and married Roy Thornton. Their **10. _____ (MARRY)** wasn't a happy one. The love of her life was Clyde.

C. Complete the gaps with ONE suitable word.

(10 x 1 = 10 marks)

Insomnia and its causes

Millions of people around the world are affected by insomnia, a sleep disorder characterized **1. _____** lack of sleep, general tiredness, irritability, and lack of concentration. A person suffering **2. _____** it, may find it difficult to sleep or may wake up frequently **3. _____** night.

There are several causes of insomnia, the most prominent ones being medication, stress, abnormal sleep schedule, various ailments **4. _____** anxiety. Acute insomnia can **5. _____** caused by a stressful lifestyle on the personal or professional front. Emotional or physical discomfort is **6. _____** a common reason for sleep deprivation. Certain medical conditions, and the pain associated with them, are also known to cause sleeplessness. At times, the drugs and medication prescribed for various ailments can also cause insomnia. For some people, especially in the case **7. _____** kids and the elderly, environmental factors, **8. _____** as extreme weather conditions, or loud noise, are known to interfere with sleep. In babies, it can also be attributed to teething or rashes.

For people working in shifts, disturbance of normal sleep schedule is the main reason **9. _____** sleeplessness. Further, chronic insomnia can be the cause of depression, anxiety, as well as chronic stress. A person suffering from a long-term illness may also suffer from this sleep disorder, owing **10. _____** the pain or discomfort associated with the ailment they are suffering from.

GOOD LUCK!