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ΤΟ ΕΞΕΤΑΣΤΙΚΟ ΔΟΚΙΜΙΟ ΑΠΟΤΕΛΕΙΤΑΙ ΑΠΟ ΕΞΙ (6) ΣΕΛΙΔΕΣ

Να απαντήσετε σε όλα τα ερωτήματα.

Πριν από κάθε απάντηση να σημειώσετε τα στοιχεία της ερώτησης.

ΟΛΕΣ ΟΙ ΑΠΑΝΤΗΣΕΙΣ ΝΑ ΓΡΑΦΟΥΝ ΣΤΟ ΤΕΤΡΑΔΙΟ ΑΠΑΝΤΗΣΕΩΝ

PASSAGE 1:**HOW TO MAXIMIZE YOUR STUDY-ABROAD EXPERIENCE**

Studying abroad can change a student's life forever! More and more students take this step and for good reason. Studying abroad is amazing and life-enriching in many ways. It can be challenging, fun, frightening and amazing all at once. One thing is for sure when you study abroad: your experience will differ from what you envisioned before you left home. Make sure you make the most of your studies abroad and make it worth it!

Par.1

Keep calm and don't panic

It's not unusual for many students to wonder what they have got themselves into. They panic and go back home just hours after arriving, without having given it a fair chance or even setting foot in the school. Make sure that you are not one of them. Prepare yourself for the fact that your accommodation, your school and the city will not look just as you have imagined it, and it might take some time to find friends. It is usually enough to arrive the week before the school starts, especially if you're going alone. That way, you don't have to spend so many days on your own before the school starts, and you get a social context where you will get to know people.

Line 11

Keep busy to avoid homesickness

Don't spend too much time alone in your room chatting with friends and family at home. That's an easy way to get homesick. Go out and explore your new city and country. Be active and sign up for activities organized by the school or join those planned by your friends. Say yes! You will return home eventually, but you can only experience your study abroad period right here and now!

Make the most of your studies

Studying is, of course, a central part of your studies abroad. Remember that, and try and learn as much as possible. If you are taking a language course in France, you want to come home and be good at speaking French, right? Then, you need to make an effort and study during your free time as well. Make sure you take your studies seriously, and you will still have time to have fun. So, you will feel a lot better.

Set goals and make a plan to achieve them

Why do you want to study abroad? What do you want to achieve and experience? Take some time to think about your goals before you leave and before you choose a school. If your goal is to improve your CV and study a year at the best possible school, your choices and experience will be vastly different than if you just want to have fun and see the world. There are no rights or wrongs, but, even if you just want to go somewhere for the experience, it's worth thinking about what you want to see and do. Remember your goals when you are abroad, and think about how you are going to achieve them. Without a plan, there is a risk that time passes, and, before you know it,

it will be time to go home again. Then, it will be too late to do everything that you wanted to do, so start working towards your goals right away.

Network and make friends for life

Most people are looking for new friends when they study abroad. Try to get to know people; it will pay off and give you a better understanding of other cultures. You might find friends for life, meet your significant other or find a future business partner. If you get to know any professors, they might agree to be your reference when you apply for jobs or other universities in the future. Don't forget to update your CV with your studies abroad and any jobs you might have had during your time there.

Have fun!

Studying abroad is an amazing opportunity to see the world and grow as a person. You will most likely look back at this time with joy later in life. So, make the most of your time abroad, and don't forget to have fun!

Adapted from: <https://www.dreamstudiesabroad.com/articles/maximize-your-studies-abroad>

A. For each of the questions (1-5), choose the best answer (a, b, c or d) according to the passage. (5x2=10 marks)

1. What does the writer mean by “your experience will differ from what you envisioned before you left home”? (paragraph 1)

- a. Studying abroad will not be what you expected.
- b. Your dream will never come true.
- c. Studying abroad will be a quite predictable experience.
- d. The longer you stay, the more disappointed you will get.

2. To prevent a panic attack, ____.

- a. look for accommodation once you arrive
- b. find friends before you arrive
- c. arrive before classes begin
- d. avoid visiting the school once you arrive

3. You can avoid homesickness by ____.

- a. exploring your new environment
- b. having constant contact with relatives
- c. spending time on your own
- d. staying in your room

4. By focusing on your goals, you will ____.

- a. go back home soon
- b. manage your time effectively
- c. just have fun and see the world
- d. decide what is right or wrong

5. Which of the following aspects of studying abroad is discussed in the article?

- a. Latest trends in technology
- b. Advanced learning techniques
- c. Good educational methods
- d. Opportunities for social exposure

B. Some of the following statements contain wrong information.

REWRITE the wrong ones to make them correct according to the passage.

Put a **TICK** (✓) if the statements are correct.

(5x1=5 marks)

1. The word “them” (line 11) refers to students who keep calm and stay abroad.
2. The writer reminds you that you will feel a lot better if you only have fun.
3. Making friends abroad will improve your cultural understanding.
4. Networking abroad can help you find lifelong partners.
5. Later in life, you will probably look back at the time you studied abroad with regret.

PASSAGE 2:

COLOURING TASTE



Is there a relationship between colour and taste? A study reported in the *Journal of Sensory Studies* in 2012 found that food is perceived differently depending on the characteristics of the container.

Betina Piqueras-Fizman from the Polytechnic University of Valencia (Spain) and Charles Spence from the University of Oxford (UK) conducted an experiment with 57 participants who evaluated samples of hot chocolate served in four different kinds of plastic cup. The cups were all the same size but with different external colours: white, cream, red and orange with white on the inside. They found that the participants rated hot chocolate in an orange- or cream-coloured cup to taste better than in a white one.

Perception of the sweetness and the aroma, rather than the flavour of the cocoa, were much less influenced by the colour of the cup, although participants found the chocolate to be slightly sweeter and more aromatic in a cream-coloured cup.

According to Betina Piqueras-Fizman, “the colour of the container where food and drink are served can enhance some characteristics like taste and aroma. There is no fixed rule stating that flavour and aroma are enhanced in a cup of a certain colour or

shade. In reality, this varies depending on the type of food, but the truth is that, as this effect occurs, more attention should be paid to the colour of the container as it has more potential than one could imagine.”

In addition, their article summarised previous studies that also confirmed the effect of containers on sensory characteristics of food or drink. For instance, the flavour of lemon in yellow tins was preferred to that of soft drinks presented in a cold colour such as blue. Drinks in pink containers were viewed as being more sugary. Strawberry mousse presented on a white plate seemed sweeter than on a black plate. Coffee in brown packaging was associated with a stronger flavour and aroma.

Another study in the *Journal of Consumer Research* in 2007 found that the colour of a drink can influence perceptions of how it tastes more than quality or price. Jo Andrea Hoegg of the University of British Columbia and Joseph W. Alba of the University of Florida altered the characteristics of the same orange juice by darkening it with food colouring, sweetening it with sugar or labelling the cups with brand and quality information.

The study found that the colour of the juice seems to have great impact on perceptions of taste. The participants actually perceived non-existent differences when given two cups with one artificially darkened. In a similar way, the same group failed to perceive taste differences when given cups of the same colour with one sweetened. Brand name influenced people’s preferences for one cup over another, but labelling one a premium brand and the other an inexpensive store brand had no effect on perceptions of taste.

The present studies show that, although there is not enough research on the field, colour seems to have a great impact on one’s choice of products as it functions as a gustatory stimulus. They point out that consumers, though unlikely, would turn their back on taste for the sake of colour: they would pay more attention to colour rather than taste.

Adapted from: <http://www.psyarticles.com/perception/orange.html>

A. State whether the following statements are True, False or Not Mentioned.

(5x1= 5 marks)

1. The hot chocolate experiment involved participants of the same gender.
2. The experiment did not show the effect of size on perceptions of taste.
3. The colour of the container can intensify the smell of a drink.
4. Brand label does not appear to influence perceptions of taste.
5. The main purpose of research was to explore factors that affect the price of products.

B. Answer the following questions.

(5 marks)

1. List three examples to show how the colour of the container can influence perceptions of taste. (3 marks)
2. Mention two ways in which researchers altered the characteristics of the same orange juice. (2 marks)

PASSAGE 3: SUMMARY WRITING

The following article is about giving animals as a holiday gift. You have been asked to produce a summary to be published in the school magazine.

Write your summary in about 100 words.

(15 marks)

ARE ANIMALS THE PERFECT HOLIDAY GIFT?



During festive season, people brainstorm for the perfect gift. The comfort and joy of a pet may seem like a great option, but global animal shelters and animal welfare organizations discourage giving animals during holiday periods. They support that animals do not belong underneath a Christmas tree or in a wrapped up gift box and that animal adoption needs thorough consideration.

Taking in a pet is a permanent commitment, shelter administrators advise, and shouldn't be done as a rash decision or as a surprise for someone. Several countries have stopped animal adoptions during the holidays to discourage careless adoptions that often lead to the animals being returned or abandoned. Many people make rash decisions, especially during the festive period, to gift animals. As a result, over the past decade, Germany's large city-based animal rescues have seen a 40% to 50% increase in the returns of dogs and cats in January, compared with other months.

Adopting a pet requires a lot of consideration. There are many costs associated with raising an animal, such as food and medical appointments. Costs can also exceed expectations if the pet gets sick and requires surgery. Pets require a lot of attention and care. Children can lose interest fast, and the deal over who will walk the dog or clean the cat's litter box can easily become a point of contention. How much space the animal needs and the right environment are also important considerations. Adopting a pet will completely change your lifestyle. If people are giving an animal as a gift, it is likely they won't have taken into consideration all those aspects, particularly not if it's a surprise gift.

Consequently, it is common for many animal shelters to not grant adoptions several days before Christmas. This temporary adoption stop has led to fewer animals being abandoned after the holidays.

Adapted from: <https://edition.cnn.com/2018/12/24/health/pet-adoption-holidays-intl/index.html>

WRITING TASK 1:

(15 marks)

You have recently been to stay with an old friend for a few days. Write an email thanking him/her for the stay. In your email,

- say how you felt about the visit
- refer to something enjoyable that you did during your stay
- invite your friend to visit you.

Write your email in 120-150 words.

Do NOT use your real name.

WRITING TASK 2:

(20 marks)

Some people succeed in life despite the fact that they have not studied at university. How important do you think it is to have a university degree? Write an essay for your school website expressing your opinion.

Write your essay in 150-180 words.

-END OF EXAMINATION-