

PART II: READING COMPREHENSION (30 MARKS)

Read the following letter to a magazine and answer the comprehensive questions.

Dear Margaret,

My name is Jonathan and I come from Athens. I am 25 years old and I love reading your column in "Save the Earth Now", I am a big fan.

I would also like to share my personal experience with you about my summer holiday this year. In August my family and I travelled to China. We flew for eight hours on a plane but took us more than eleven hours on total to reach the hotel.

In China we visited many different places and ate a lot of fresh fish and rice in all kinds of restaurants.

Our best trip was to the Beijing Zoo where I saw lots of rare and beautiful animals. My favourite was the giant panda. I learned that this kind of animal grows to be about 1.8 meters tall and it weighs about 140 kilos. When I was at the zoo I watched the zookeeper feed the pandas- he gave them bamboo plants and told us that they eat about 39 kilos of bamboo every day!

The giant panda can have a baby once a year. On the day we were at the zoo the giant panda had a new baby! It was so exciting. The baby panda had white and black fur, a big round head and small black ears. It stayed all the time near his mum and all the tourists were so curious to see it that the zoo was full of people all the time.

Next year I am going to Sweden! I really can't wait!

Best wishes,

Jonathan

A. Write T (True) or F (False).

(2x5= 10marks)

- a) Jonathan is from Athens. _____
- b) Jonathan flew for 11 hours. _____
- c) A giant panda can have a baby once a year. _____
- d) The giant panda eats about 39 kilos of bamboo a day. _____
- e) The baby panda's fur was only white. _____

B. Answer all questions according to the text.

(5x3= 15 marks)

a) What did Jonathan eat in China?

b) Where did Jonathan go in China?

c) How tall is the adult giant panda?

d) Why was Jonathan excited to see the giant panda?

e) Who feeds the pandas?

C. Write the opposite of the adjectives below.

(5x1= 5 marks)

a) excited ≠ _____

b) tall ≠ _____

c) best ≠ _____

d) beautiful ≠ _____

e) rare ≠ _____

PART III: GRAMMAR (40 MARKS)

A. Fill in the Present simple/continuous or Past simple/continuous .

(12x1=12 marks)

a) We (1) _____ (buy) a new vacuum cleaner yesterday afternoon and then we (2) _____ (use) it to clean the house.

b) I (3) _____ (not see) the match last Saturday because my wife and (4) _____ (go) to the beach.

c) Lara (5) _____ (play) tennis every Sunday but this Sunday she (6) _____ (play) basketball with her friends.

d) When I (7) _____ (get) home Myra (8) _____ (wash) the dishes.

e) While Susan (9) _____ (watch) television her husband (10) _____ (fix) the car.

f) (11) _____ (you stay) at home last night?

g) (12) Dora _____ (not speak) Italian.

B. Fill in the words/ phrases given. Some words may be used twice.

(12x1=12 marks)

I'd like half a kilo / a lot of / some / greengrocer's / Do you have any / much / many / any

- a) Have you got **1.** _____ books about Italy?
- b) "I would you like **2.** _____ more coffee please"
- c) There isn't **3.** _____ orange juice left, but there are **4.** _____ oranges.
- d) How **5.** _____ milk is there in the fridge?
- e) How **6.** _____ potatoes do you need for the shepherd's pie? "Only two"
- f) I am going to the **7.** _____ to buy **8.** _____ vegetables.
- g) How **9.** _____ carrots do we need? We need **10.** _____ carrots because I am making a carrot cake. Buy two kilos.
- h) Good morning sir! **11.** _____ of strawberries, please.
" Here you are madam!", "Anything else?"
" Yes, please. **12.** _____ pineapples?"
" Yes, of course", "How many do you want?"

C. Complete the dialogue with the correct tense of the verbs.

(6x1= 6marks)

Bob: Diana, **1.** _____ **(be)** to the USA?

Diana: No, never. But I **(2)** _____ **(be)** to France twice and once in Greece.

Bob: When **(3)** _____ **(go)** to France?

Diana: Last summer. What about you? Which country **(4)** _____ **(visit)** last summer?

Bob: Oh! We **(5)** _____ **(travel)** to India. The kids really **(6)** _____ (love) it!

D. Choose the correct answer.

(5x2= 10 marks)

1. I can't find my keys. Where are _____? **(they/them)**
2. "Is Chris in his office?"
"I don't know. I can't see _____ ." **(he/him)**
3. Can you show _____ the way to the post office please? **(we/us)**
4. It's Mary's car.
It's _____ . **(her/hers)**
5. This motorbike belongs to me.
It's _____ . **(my/mine)**

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