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**ΤΟ ΔΟΚΙΜΙΟ ΑΠΟΤΕΛΕΙΤΑΙ ΑΠΟ 5 (ΠΕΝΤΕ) ΣΕΛΙΔΕΣ
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PART I: COMPOSITION

(30 MARKS)

You worked in an office during your summer holidays. Your teacher wants you to write a composition of **about 180** words describing the experience to the other students in your class.

PART II: READING COMPREHENSION

(30 MARKS)

Is there a generation gap?

You cannot live with them and you cannot live without them. It is often a love-hate relationship between teenagers and their parents. Many teenagers believe that their parents' **goal** in life is to make their children's life a misery by refusing to understand them. However, what they do not realize is that it is not so easy for the parents either when they bring up a child. So, to be fair to parents, they are trying to do the best they can, as they want their children to grow up to be responsible adults. Let's face it, being a good parent is not the easiest job in the world. In this week's issue of "*Teen World*", we look at both sides of the problem.

What one teenager says:

Parents just don't show enough respect for their children. They don't listen to us or let us make our own decisions.

Recently, a friend of mine wanted to have his ear pierced. He asked his mum her opinion and she went mad. Who was acting like an adult in that situation and who was acting like a child? My friend had done the right thing - he'd tried to be open with his mum, and look what happened!

Another friend of mine had a problem when he had his hair cut really short. His parents said he looked like a football hooligan and they punished him by not letting him go to a party that night. How unfair! It's normal for teenagers to start making personal choices. It's a way of gaining your **independence**; growing up, in other words. But perhaps that's the problem - our parents just want us to stay children forever.

What one parent says:

I admit that many parents are guilty of not really listening to their children, but I don't think it's because we don't want to. It's more a matter of time - or lack of it, to be **precise**.

Both of my teenage children have a habit of asking me for permission to do things at the most difficult times. When I'm **rushing** around in the morning, trying to get ready for work, for example. A quick "yes" or "no" is all I've got time for. And if they disagree with my decision, I simply haven't got time to stand and argue.

Still parents do need to try harder. We should respect our teenage children's opinions as I think this helps them to **develop** their personalities. We should build their self-confidence too, rather than destroying it by criticizing the clothes they wear or the hairstyles they choose to have. I think that the main reason parents try to have so much control over their children's lives is that they want to protect them. They are afraid that they might fall in with a bad crowd, start getting into trouble, take drugs and things like that. But being overprotective isn't the answer. Communication is, however, and it is something all busy parents should find time for.

A. Choose the best answer.

(5x3= 15 marks)

- 1. Where might this passage have appeared? In a ...**
 - A. magazine read by teenagers.
 - B. serious newspaper.
 - C. novel about a teenage boy and his problem.
 - D. scientific magazine.

- 2. What does the teenage boy say about parents? They ...**
 - A. often punish their children without a good reason.
 - B. should let children do whatever they want.
 - C. don't always act like adults should.
 - D. usually understand teenagers.

- 3. The woman thinks that parents ...**
 - A. don't want to listen to their children.
 - B. don't always have enough time to talk.
 - C. should argue with their children less often.
 - D. should punish them more often.

- 4. Why does the woman say parents sometimes try to control their children? They ...**
 - A. don't have time to communicate with them.
 - B. don't want them to have a big group of friends.
 - C. want to make their life a misery.
 - D. want to keep them safe.

- 5. The teenage boy and the woman both think that parents ...**
 - A. should listen to their children.
 - B. are too busy nowadays.
 - C. should let children do whatever they want.
 - D. should let children go out more often.

B. Answer the following questions according to the text. (3x3=9 marks)

1. Mention three (3) complaints the teenager makes about parents.
2. In what three (3) ways can parents help their children?
3. Mention three (3) things parents are afraid that might happen to their children.

C. Choose the best definition for each word. They are in bold in the text. (6x1=6 marks)

1. **goal (par. 1)** : (a) signal (b) point (c) aim
2. **recently (par. 3)**: (a) not long ago (b) long time ago (c) many years ago
3. **independence (par. 4)**: (a) freestyle (b) freedom (c) freeway
4. **precise (par. 5)**: (a) exact (b) about (c) almost
5. **rushing (par 6)**: (a) walking (b) jumping (c) hurrying
6. **develop (par. 7)**: (a) make up (b) build up (c) do up

PART III: USE OF ENGLISH (40 MARKS)

A. Complete the sentences with the correct alternative. (10x1=10 marks)

1. He's so _____ , he loves buying everyone expensive presents.
(a) generous (b) warm (c) optimistic (d) considerate
2. Some people spend too much time _____ video games.
(a) going (b) doing (c) watching (d) playing
3. Anyone who _____ can ask me for help after the lesson.
(a) don't understand (c) doesn't understand
(b) isn't understanding (d) understands
4. My dad's really looking forward to his business _____ to Amstredam.
(a) trip (b) journey (c) travel (d) excursion
5. We _____ for an hour and our dance teacher still isn't here.
(a) waited (b) are waiting (c) have been waiting (d) were waiting
6. She _____ her car and drove away.
(a) got into (b) got on (c) got off (d) got out
7. Why don't you send an application _____ for the job? You might get it!
(a) form (b) paper (c) report (d) list
8. Chris is the _____ confident child I know.
(a) much (b) more (c) many (d) most

9. Sally has been playing _____ guitar for many years.

- (a) a (b) the (c) an (d) some

10. Tom's party was a lot of fun, _____ ?

- (a) is it (b) isn't it (c) wasn't it (d) was it

B. 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.

(5x2=10 marks)

1. A storm damaged the church near our house. **(was)**

The church near our house _____ a storm.

2. "We ate in a great restaurant last night." **(eaten)**

George said _____ great restaurant the night before.

3. I don't live close to school so I take the bus. **(if)**

I wouldn't take the bus _____ close to school.

4. When we were young, my brother and I went to school on foot. **(used)**

When we were young, my brother and I _____ on foot.

5. Planes are faster than trains. **(as)**

Trains _____ planes.

C. Use the word given in brackets to form a word that fits the blank in each sentence.

(10x1=10 marks)

JOBS

Many people, perhaps even the majority, are not 1. _____ **(PARTICULAR)** happy in their job. They go to work, get paid, and 2. _____ **(EMPLOY)** for them is just a way of paying the bills. This leads to laziness at work and unhappy workers often don't show enough politeness to customers or 3. _____ **(KIND)** to their fellow workers. Many people feel that they have no chance of 4. _____ **(PROMOTE)** and they are unhappy with the 5. _____ **(WORK)** conditions.

If you want to get 6. _____ **(ENJOY)** from your work, make sure that it involves doing an 7. _____ **(ACTIVE)** that you like. Ask yourself whether the job will have the same 8. _____ **(ATTRACT)** after five years. A careful choice now can save a lot of 9. _____ **(HAPPY)** in the future. Just because one job is 10. _____ **(WELL)** paid than another, it doesn't mean it's the job for you.

D. Complete the gaps with ONE suitable word.

(10x1=10 marks)

Hobbies

When people have free time, they take up a hobby. Stamp collecting is one of the first things that come to many people's minds when they think **1.** ___ hobbies. Organising your collection seems like a perfect way to relax **2.** ___ a few hours. It seems that people have **3.** ___ collecting things since ancient times. However, most people in the past were too busy **4.** ___ too poor to buy expensive works of art or coins. **5.** ___ stamps appeared in the nineteenth century, they were cheap and colourful and children started to keep them. By the middle of the twentieth century, collecting stamps **6.** ___ a popular pastime for both children and adults, with some stamps worth a large amount of money – far more **7.** ___ most children could afford. There are still many people today who collect stamps, **8.** ___ technology has changed that. E-mails can be sent instantly and freely around the world, which means **9.** ___ people aren't buying stamps like they used to. Rare stamps are still in demand, and probably always will be, but fifty years ago the number **10.** ___ collectors was higher. It seems that stamp collecting as a hobby of millions of young people has had its day.

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