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ETAPA JUDEȚEANĂ
Clasa a X-a Secțiunea A
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Question I (50 points)

Write a 300-word descriptive essay entitled *The Dream Place to Build My House on*. Describe the place, the surroundings there and the atmosphere.

Question II (25 points)

A company has put up a large advertising hoarding in your local town centre. The advertisement seems to you likely to provoke unacceptable behavior. Write a letter of complaint to your local council, explaining why you object to it and what you would like them to do about it. (180 – 200 words) . Sign it as Andreea/ Andrei Damian.

Question III (25 points)

1. Fill each of the numbered blanks in the following passage. Use only one word in each space. (10 points)

Skateboard Dad

Some activities are associated with young people, even though (1) ... isn't always clear why. Skateboarders, for instance are expected to (2) ... teenagers, but come to think of it, there is (3) ... reason why people over the age of 21 shouldn't take (4) ... the sport.

Skateboarding involves a certain amount of falling off the board, (5) ... can be painful, but this also applies to skiing or surfing and these sports are not restricted to teenagers. Surely there is (6) ... wrong with a grown-up gliding down the road on his or her board!

At the same time, I confess I felt a certain sympathy for my niece Emily when her father, my older brother Tom, announced that he was going skateboarding with her. When you are 14, you are very conscious of (7) ... other people think of you. Emily knew her friends would laugh (8) ... her if she was skateboarding in the park with her dad. She felt that (9) ... embarrassment would be more than she could bear, so she begged Tom to go skateboarding elsewhere. Fortunately, Tom realized how embarrassed Emily must (10) ... felt and simply laughed.

2. Read the text and then write the correct form of the word in CAPITALS to complete the gaps. (10 points)

Nowadays, although prize money for women tennis players is still less than men receive, top women players' (1)in a fortnight are more than those of a (2)company director's in a year. But most (3).....earned by both male and female players does not come from official prize money. Instead, it comes from (4)contracts with fashion and sportswear companies. These massive deals have turned some of these stars into (5)at a very young and vulnerable age. It is (6)surprising then that some sports stars have been (7)to cope with the pressure that goes hand in hand with being (8), and have consequently become victims of their own success. Possibly brilliant careers have ended in cases of personal (9)and (10)..... trauma for more than a few.

EARN
SUCCESS
COME
SPONSOR
MILLION
HARD
ABLE
FAME
FAIL
PSYCHOLOGY

3. 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. Use between 2-5 words.

(5 points)

1. Fernanda refused to wear her sister's old dress. NOT
Fernanda said that her sister's old dress.
2. You need to make a decision about the costume. MIND
It's time you about the costume.
3. She speaks Chinese and Japanese. DOES
Not but she also speaks Japanese.
4. The moment we turned it on it broke down. DID
No it on than it broke down.
5. The aim of the meeting was to promote trade between the two countries. HAD
The meeting trade between the two countries.

NOTĂ!

Toate subiectele sunt obligatorii.

Timp de lucru: 3 ore.

Nu se acordă puncte din oficiu.



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BAREM DE CORECTARE:

Question III:

1.10 points – 1p x 10

- 1- it,
- 2-be,
- 3-no, little,
- 4-up,
- 5-which,
- 6-nothing,
- 7-what,
- 8-at,
- 9-the,
- 10-have

2. 10 x 1 point – 10 points

- 1.earnings
2. successful
3. income
4. sponsorship
- 5.millionaires
6. hardly
7. unable
8. famous
9. failure
10. psychological

3. 5 x 1 point – 5 points

1. she would not wear
2. made up your mind
3. only does she speak
4. sooner did we turn
5. had the aim of promoting

N.B. Any other correct variant will be accepted !