

CLASA A XII-A

Use of English
Question 3 - 25 points

A. Open cloze

10 words x 1 point = 10 points

1. out
2. many
3. in
4. its
5. up
6. them
7. of
8. is
9. with
10. on

B. Gapped sentences

5 words x 1 point = 5 points

1. link
2. speak
3. use
4. natural
5. law

C. Key words transformations 5 sentences x 2 points = 10 points

1. would rather you had told me
2. has been a sharp increase in
3. goes without saying that Mark will get
4. doesn't approve of us/our leaving the classroom
5. every likelihood that I'll be late unless

Any other correct answer(s) will be accepted.

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Question I (50 points)

Write a **450-word reflective essay** on *games* from at least three points of view.

Question II (25 points)

The tourist board in your area has decided to produce a publication called “*Travelling on a Small Budget*”. You work for the Tourist Board and have been asked to write a report explaining the advantages of your region in terms of cheap ways to travel around, places to stay and activities for visitors. **Write your report in 300 words.**

Question III (25 points)

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

Advertising in Britain

What does it say about a nation that when a national newspaper recently set (1) _____ to establish the best television adverts of all time, as (2) _____ as 10,000 people responded? The answer lies (3) _____ the fact that the British have developed an intense admiration for a genre that has developed into an art form in (4) _____ own right. In 1955, when Gibbs SR toothpaste broadcast the first TV commercial, it was inconceivable that ads would ever end (5) _____ being considered as sophisticated and innovative as the programmes surrounding (6) _____. Yet by 1978, the author Jonathan Price was able to declare: 'Financially, commercials represent the pinnacle (7) _____ our popular culture's artistic expression. More money and thought per second goes into their making and more cash flows from their impact than (8) _____ the case for any movie, opera, stage play, painting or videotape.' Today, (9) _____ the explosion of channels and websites, there is more pressure than ever (10) _____ the advertiser to shock, amuse, enthrall and entertain in its 30-second slot.

B. Find one word which is appropriate for all three gaps in each of the following sentences (5 points)

1. The detective said that he hadn't ruled out a _____ between the two burglaries in the village.
A new high speed rail _____ will connect the Olympic Stadium with the city centre.
Graham found the name of the hotel by following a _____ on the tourist board website.
2. Feel free to _____ your mind, won't you?
It's time to _____ out against this attack on all our civil liberties.
The boss has given Rupert a yellow card, so to _____
3. The new airport terminal has been in _____ for three months now.
The building's main _____ will be to act as a meeting place for local teenagers.
What's the _____ of asking for a pay rise if you know there's no chance of getting one?

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4. It's only _____ that you miss your family when you first go to college in a new city.
Some people have a _____ ability to understand the behaviour of animals.
Helen has a very _____ manner and makes everyone feel at ease.
5. It's time to lay down the _____ to the twins about bedtimes.
The Conservative Party are the natural party of _____ and order.
Vigilantes are people who take the _____ into their own hands.

C. For each of the sentences below, write a new sentence as similar as possible in meaning to the original sentence, but using the word given. The word must not be altered in any way. Use between three and eight words. (10 points)

1. You should have told me you were having problems with the homework. RATHER
I _____ you were having problems with the homework.
2. The number of violent crimes around here has risen dramatically recently. SHARP
There _____ the number of violent crimes around here recently.
3. It is a foregone conclusion that Mark will get the job. SAYING
It _____ the job.
4. Our teacher doesn't like it when we leave the classroom without asking first. APPROVE
Our teacher _____ without asking first.
5. It's highly likely I'll be late if the situation doesn't change EVERY
'There's _____ the situation changes.

TOTAL

100 PUNCTE

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