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Clasa a X-a, Secțiunea A**

SUBIECTUL I (50 points)

Describe an English tradition you know about. Do not write more than 300 words.

SUBIECTUL II (25 points)

You are a senior student at a college and you think the food and service in the canteen are very poor, write a letter of 150-180 words to the principal of the college complaining about the situation and giving suggestions

SUBIECTUL III (25 points)

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

School sports day

Our school sports were held last week, and the whole afternoon was a disaster. For a start, very (1) _____ people bothered to turn (2) _____, and there is nothing (3) _____ than trying to win a race with only three or four people cheering you on. It rained (4) _____ afternoon, from the moment the first starting pistol (5) _____ fired, until the last medal had (6) _____ presented. I was in the high jump, (7) _____ meant running up to do my best jump and then landing (8) _____ a pool of cold muddy water. It was raining (9) _____ hard that we couldn't see the runners in the 5,000 metres, and it (10) _____ out that they had all stopped on the other side of the field to shelter under a tree.

- 2. Complete each space in the text with a word formed from the word in capitals. (10 points)**

Last year I resigned my post as a Head of Department at a large comprehensive school. After 23 years of teaching, I had simply had enough of a job which is becoming increasingly (1) _____ as a Department Head, I saw at close hand the effect of the government's increased (2) _____ in educational matters; the job is now ten times more (3) _____ than it was when I started out. Not content with loading teachers down with paperwork, the government has also imposed standard national tests on pupils as young as six, a fact which has left many teachers (4) _____ with their profession. But that side of things is by no means all. There is also the growing (5) _____ of the pupils, including the girls. There are the frequent little acts of (6) _____ which teachers have become almost (7) _____ to stop, now that the right to discipline pupils has been all but taken from them. There is the restlessness and sheer (8) _____ of children brought up on a diet of computer games and violent videos. Some people dismiss any link between computer games and a (9) _____ in attention span, but few of them are teachers. When I started out, I used to enjoy teaching history, my chosen discipline, to (10) _____ pupils; now I do so every Tuesday teaching local history to pensioners.

1. PROBLEM
2. INVOLVE
3. BUREAU
4. ENCHANT
5. AGGRESSIVE
6. RUDE
7. POWER
8. BORING
9. REDUCE
10. RESPECT

3. Rephrase the following sentences using the words given. (5 points)

1. I'd prefer you not to wear jeans to the office.

RATHER

2. A friend is looking after my cat while I'm away.

CARE

3. 'You stole the money, Joe, didn't you!' said the inspector.

ACCUSED

4. I've been shopping all morning. I feel exhausted.

WORN

5. I don't know whether to buy this car. I'll consider it.

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BAREM

- 1. Fill each of the numbered blanks in the following passage. Use only one word on each space. (10 points/ 1 point x 10 words = 10 points)**

- 1.few
2. up
- 3.worse
- 4.all
- 5.was
- 6.been
- 7.which
- 8.in
- 9.so
- 10.turned

- 1. Read the text below and use the word given in capital to form words that fit each gap. (10 points / 1 point x 10 words = 10 points)**

- 1.PROBLEMATIC
- 2.INVOLVEMENT
- 3.BUREAUCRATIC
- 4.DISENCHANTED
- 5.AGGRESSION/AGGRESSIVENESS
6. RUDENESS
- 7.POWERLESS
- 8.BOREDOM
- 9.REDUCTION
- 10.RESPECTFUL

- 3. Rephrase the following sentences. (5 points / 1 point x 5 sentences =5 points)**

1. I would rather you didn't wear jeans at the office.
2. A friend is taking care of my cat .../ My cat is being taken care of...
- 3.The inspector accused Joe of stealing the money.
4. I feel worn out.
5. I'll think it over.