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Subject I (50 points)

Write a narrative essay beginning or ending with the following words: Although she was afraid, Julia knew she had to make the call. Do not exceed 250 words.

Subject II (25 points)

You are on holiday and you have discovered a wonderful place and a wonderful person. You want to stay in this place for the rest of your holiday, but you already promised to spend a week with an English-speaking friend of yours. Write a letter to your friend describing the place you have discovered and the person you have met, and trying to persuade your friend to come and join you. Write your letter in 120 - 150 words.

Subject III (25 points)

| A. Put the verbs in brackets in the correct tense. | (10 points) |
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| I don't normally go to the cinema. Not because I don't like it but because it's have never got into. However, on this occasion I 1) (decide) to go friends 2) (go /constantly) on about this film all week and eventually (wear) me down. It starred some ephemeral Hollywood actor whom I 4) vaguely) but I couldn't put a face to. We got to the cinema early to fin (already/ wait) outside, which suggested that my friends weren't the othought it was worth seeing, although I could still think of several other things have been doing at the moment. In the end, the film 6) (turn out) to bad as expected, though I 7) (prefer) something with a bit more accentred on two men who were planning to carry out some immensely complications what they 8) (not know) was that at the time their plans (closely/monitor) by the police. Somewhat unpredictably, however, they got because they 10) (change) their plans at the last minute. It was obtained the police of the plans and the last minute. It was obtained the plans again. | because my (3)(hear of/ nd people 5) only ones who I would rather be not half as otion. The plot cated robbery, 9) t away with it |
| B. Use the words in capitals at the end of each sentence to form another in each blank space. | word that fits (5 points) |
| Nowadays in schools there is a worrying trend against playing (1)games Teachers worry that such activities encourage an unpleasant (2) between children, and make some kids feel (3)and humiliated. Personally, I believe that a need to compete is a strong instinct, just look at the number of (4)who want to demonstrate their intelligence on quiz shows, or even talent competitions. What's more, most of us aren't hopeless at everything so the (5)and approval we receive can strengthen rather than damage friendships. | COMPETE RIVAL USE CONTEST RECOGNISE |
| C. Rewrite each sentence so that it contains the word given in capitals, a meaning stays the same. The word can't be changed in any way. | |

SHOULD

1. If you change your mind, let me know.

......mind, let me know.

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| 2. It's time for us to decide. | MADE |
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| It's time we | CATCH |
| Is this invention likelywith the public? 4. The only thing I did at the weekend was housework. I didhousework at the weekend. | APART |
| 5. I haven't got my wallet- it must be at home. I haven't got my wallet- Iat home. | LEFT |
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Use of English

Subject III (25 points)

- A. Put1point x10 verbs=10 points
 Any correct answer will be accepted.
- 1. decided
- 2. had been constantly going
- 3. wore
- 4. had vaguely heard of
- 5. were already waiting
- 6. turned out
- 7. would have preferred
- 8. didn't know
- 9. were being closely monitored
- 10. changed

B. Use1 point x 5 words=5 points

Any correct answer will be accepted.

- 1. competitive
- rivalry
- 3. useless
- 4. contestants
- 5. recognition
- C. Rewrite......2points x 5 sentences= 10 points

Any correct answer will be accepted.

Key:

- 1. Should you change your mind, let me know.
- 2. It's time we made a decision.
- 3. Is this invention likely to catch on with the public?
- 4. I did nothing apart from doing housework at the weekend.
- 5. I haven't got my wallet. I must have left it at home.