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Subject I (50 points)

"We must dare to think "unthinkable" thoughts. We must learn to explore all the options and possibilities that confront us in a complex and rapidly changing world" (J.W. Fulbright, U.S. Senator). Express your opinion on this quote in 350 words. Make sure you support it with arguments and examples.

Subject II (25 points)

You have seen this announcement in an international magazine:

ARTICLES INVITED

As part of a special section on modern inventions, we're looking for articles from readers about their expectations for the future. What invention would you most like someone to come up with, and why? Give us all the details and tell us why this thing would be useful to you or to people in general.

Write your article in approximately 200 - 220 words.

1. It was difficult for him to accept that the company no longer needed him.

Subject III (25 points)

A. Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence. Use the word given without changing it. (5 points)

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	He foundthe fac	t that the company no longer neede	o longer needed him.	
2.	2. The play will have started by now so there	e's no point in us going in.	WELL	
	Wehome now as th	e play will have already started.		
3.	 All he did for the whole holiday was sleep 	•	NOTHING	
	Hesleep for the whole I	noliday.		
4.	. Students must never leave their things ur		ACCOUNT	
	Ontheir things una	ttended in the classroom.		
5.	5. Janice soon recovered from her illness.		GET	
	lt har illness			

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

Garden Wildlife

It takes years for a garden to become fully populated, and it cannot really be regarded as mature until it is (9)...... of supporting fully-grown shrubs and trees. That is why a large number of Editish gardens are immature (10)..... as much as they do not support such a variety of wildlife as an older garden.

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C. Read the text below and use the word given in capital on the right to form words that fit in the gaps. The words in capitals are given in the order you need to use them.

(10 points)

The way we perceive science has (1) radical change	1.GO
in the last hundred years. An enormous (2)	2.TECHNOLOGY
explosion (3) by increasing anxiety about the	3.COMPANY
environment and the moral implications of economic growth have	
(4) placed science at the centre of public debate.	4. QUESTION
The twentieth century began with a challenge to the (5)	5. ASSUME
that human knowledge was approaching (6)It will	6. COMPLETE
come, perhaps, as a surprise to all of us to realize that the	
emergence of this highly (7)process came both from	7. DESTROY
within and outside science. New scientific theories (8)	8. OVERWHELM
reveal the limitations of the old perspective. We had thought that the	
world, understood through the medium of rational (9), was,	9. BE
indeed, the real world. Now we realize that this was no more than a	
(10) that just happened to work.	10. SIMPLE

TOTAL

100 PUNCTE

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Use of English

Subject III (25 points)

- A. Complete.....1point x 5 sentences= 5 points
 - Any correct answer will be accepted. Key:
 - 1. it difficult to come to terms with
 - 2. might as well go
 - 3. did nothing but 4. no account must students leave
 - 5. did not take Janice long to get over
- B. Fill1 point x 10 gaps=10 points

Any correct answer will be accepted.

Key:

- 1.itself
- 2.though/if 3.few
- 4.than
- 5.Apart
- 6.many 7.make/secure
- 8.at
- 9.capable 10. in

C. Read1 point x 10 words=10 points Key:

- 1. undergone
 - 2. technological

 - 3. accompanied 4. unquestionably
 - 5. assumption
 - 6. completion
 - 7. destructive
 - 8. overwhelmingly
 - 9. being

 - 10. simplification