

Language test 19

(20 points)

A / Give the correct form of the words in brackets. (4,5 marks)

Last week the Duncans(to receive) a message from their son James : «I(to be)home as soon as possible.....(not / to worry). Love James.»

Mr Duncan(to glance)at the worried look on his wife's face. It's all very well for him to tell us(not / to worry), but he(already / to be) away for ten days and we(not / even / to know) where he(to be) ! If only he(to give) us an address or phone number before(to leave) »he(to complain).

« I..... (to agree). I(to begin) to think that something(to go) wrong. He..... (usually/ not / to slay) away as long as this. Perhaps somebody at the London office(to be able) to help us if we phoned them.....(you / to think) it's a solution worth(to try) ?» his wife asked.

B Join the following pairs of sentences using the words given. (3 marks)

1.They were very poorly paid. They managed to save enough money to buy a car, however.(although)

2. We could hardly hear her. The line was very bad. (so that)

3. It was raining heavily. They went out for a walk. (in spite of)

4. He didn't want to fall asleep. He drunk an orange juice. (so as not)

5. Jack wasn't successful . Peter wasn't successful either. (neither..... nor....)

6. They have got a lot of books. They. are always delighted to receive more. (No matter how)

C / Find the questions to which the words underlined are the answers. (2,5 marks)

1. They drove slowly that night since road conditions were bad.

2. Manchester is fifty miles from here.

3. Bill used his father's towel.

4. She'll be away for ten days.

5. His wife is short, fair-haired and rather fat.

D / Fill the blanks, supplying the appropriate prepositions. (1,5 marks)

1. I must inquire..... train departure times.

2. He's ill. We must send the doctor.

3. My parents are very proud..... Me.

4. He was robbed.....all his money.

5. He had to operatethe sick man..... once.

E / Rewrite the following sentences using the words in brackets. (4 marks)

1. I've never had such a wonderful holiday.(it's.....)

2. She worked very hard, and yet she failed. (despite)

3. Please show me your passport. (Would you mind...)

4. It would be better for us to leave now.(ought)

5. Please don't go yet. (I'd sooner)

6. My friend said that I had to stay for dinner.(insist)

7. Your cough is bad and if you smoke more, it will get worse. (The more....)

8. I had to sit there until they came. (make)

F / Fill the blanks, where necessary, choosing the correct word from the following list : (3 marks)

some - any — the - a — an

I took my dog forwalkother day. We were crossinglocal park when, suddenly,men ran up behind us.dog began to bark furiously. it must have thought thatmen wanted to attack me. But I preferred not to payattention to them. Instead, I went and sat on one ofpark seats in order to havelittle rest before returninghome. Another woman was sitting there. She hadadorable Puppy dog on her lap and as soon as mine spotted it my protection was no longer ensured. Is it really true to say that..... dogs are our best friends.

G / of the four explanations suggested, only one is correct. Write it down. (1,5 marks)

1. The next door neighbor has passed away.

- a) He has gone away on holiday.
- b) He has died.
- c) He has passed our house.
- d) He has gone out.

2. Old Tom was very run down.

- a) He ran too much.
- b) He was knocked down by a car.
- c) He was in a poor health.
- d) He ran downstairs too often.

3. He has come into a lot of money.

- a) He has wasted a lot of money.
- b) He has made a lot of money.
- c) He has inherited a lot of money.
- d) He has found a lot of money.

Key answers

A /

Last week the Duncans received a message from their son James : « I'll (will / shall) be home as soon as possible. Don't worry. Love James.» Mr Duncan glanced at the worried look on his wife's face. « It's all very well for him to tell us not to worry, but he's (has) already been away for ten days and we don't (do not) even know where he is ! If only he'd (had) given us an address or phone number before leaving,» he complained.
« I agree. I'm (am) beginning to think that something's (has) gone wrong. He doesn't (does not) usually stay away as long as this. Perhaps somebody at the London office would be able to help us if we phoned them. Do you think it's a solution worth trying ?» his wife asked.

B /

- 1. Although they were very poorly paid, they managed to save enough money to buy a car.
- 2. The line was so bad that we could hardly hear her.
In spite of the fact that it was raining heavily they went for a walk.
In spite of the heavy rain, they went for a walk.
- 4. He drank an orange juice so as not to fall asleep. -
- 5. Neither Jack nor Peter was successful.
- 6. No matter how many books they have got. They are always delighted to receive more.

C /

- 1. Why did they drive slowly that night?
What did they drive slowly for that night?
- 2. How far is Manchester from here?
- 3. Whose towel did Bill use?
- 4. How long will she be away?
How many days will she be away?
- 5. What is his wife like?

D /

1. I must inquire about train departure times.
2. He's ill. We must send for the doctor.
3. My parents are very proud of me.
4. He was robbed of all his money.
5. He had to operate on the sick man at once.

E /

1. It's the most wonderful holiday I've (I have) ever had.
It's the first time I've (I have) had such a wonderful holiday.
2. Despite the fact that she worked hard, she failed.
Despite her hard work, she failed.
Despite (her) working hard, she failed.
3. Would you mind showing me your passport?
4. We ought to leave now.
5. I'd sooner you didn't go yet.
6. My friend insisted on my staying for dinner.
My friend insisted that I should stay for dinner.
7. The more you smoke the worse your cough will get.
8. They made me sit there until they came.
I was made to sit there until they came.

F /

I took my dog for a walk **the** other day. We were crossing **the** local park when, suddenly, **some** men ran up behind us. **The** dog began to bark furiously. It must have thought that **the** men wanted to attack me, but I preferred not to pay any / — attention to them. Instead, I went and sat on one of **the** park seats in order to have a little rest before returning — home. Another woman was sitting there. She had **an** adorable puppy dog on her lap and, as soon as mine spotted it, my protection was no longer ensured. Is it really true to say that — dogs are our best friends ?

G /

1. b) He has died.
2. c) He was in poor health.
3. c) He has inherited a lot of money.