

Supmti 3rd year. English exam . Time allowed : 1h 30

N.B: Documents are not allowed

Germany's role in the world

Will Germany now take centre stage ? Its economy is booming, but its strength poses new questions. In France workers angry about pension reforms have blockaded fuel refineries causing 4,000 petrol stations to run dry. The Netherlands' recently elected minority government depends for survival on support from a Muslim baiting populist. Economies across Europe are struggling to cope with the sluggish growth .

No big developed country has come out of the global recession looking stronger than Germany has. The economy minister , Rainer Brudeler , boasts of an "XL upswing ". Exports are booming and unemployment is expected to fall to levels last seen in the early 1990s .

To many of its friends and neighbours , though , the paragon is a disappointment . Its sharp- elbowed behaviour during the near collapse of the euro earlier this year heightened concerns about Germany 's role in the world that have been stirring ever since unification 20 years ago.

Choose the correct answer.

- 1- "its economy is booming " in paragraph 1 means:
a- its economy is waning b- its economy is plummeting c- its economy is falling d- its economy is growing rapidly.
- 2- 'Sluggish growth " in paragraph 1 means:
a- a slow growth b- a quick growth c- a dramatic growth d- an unexpected growth
- 3- " the economy minister (...) upswing" in paragraph 2 means :
a- he is disappointed in the results b- he is very proud of the good results c- he is expecting even better results d- he is startled by the results .
- 4- " the near –collapse of the euro earlier this year" means:
a- the euro was a strong currency earlier this year b- the value of the euro increased earlier this year c- the euro almost disappeared earlier this year d- the euro entirely recovered earlier this year.

Question1 : What conditions are important for people starting a new business ?

Question 2: Define in your own words the following economic terms:

- a- balance of trade b- exchange rate c- interest rate d- bureaucracy e- GDP

Question 3: Answer fully these interview questions.

- a- Tell me a little about yourself.
- b- What are your strong points?
- c- What are your weak points?

Question 4: What are the major causes of stress at work?

Question 5: Divide the words into one of the three groups below:

be appointed - be headhunted – be dismissed – be employed – be fired – be hired – be laid off – be let go – be made redundant – be recruited – be sacked – be taken on.

Group A : get a job:

Group B : lose a job – you do something wrong:

Group C : lose a job – for economic reasons:

Question 6: Choose the correct answer.

1-Please find enclosed my résumé as well as my.....letter.

a- motivation b- covering c- application d- complaint

2- Salary increase will not be higher than the cost of.....

a- Life b- living c- live d- lived

3- He was made redundant from his job , so now he is.....

a- overtime b- unemployed c- retired

4- Would you mind.....up? I'm a bit deaf.

a-shout b- shouting c- speak d- speaking

5- If you want to..... your exam, you have to study harder.

a- fail at b- succeed c- pass d- achieve

6- Youme when you arrive at the station .

a- call b- will call c- called d- should have called

7- Cancerfocus on the importance of early detection of cancer

a- sensibilization campaigns b- sensitiveness campaigns c- awareness campaigns

8-The pay isn't very good. Are there any.....

a- pay rise b- references c- perks

9-became legal in the UK in 1871.

a- Syndics b- Union Jack c- Trade unions

10- We prices by 5%.

a-rose b- raised c- went up

Question 7:a- What is ethics?

b- State five unethical activities.

Question 8: Divide the words in each line into three groups ,based on their meaning .

a- budgeted , escalating , estimated , increasing , likely , rising , unexpected , unforeseen : costs

- b- accurate , approximate , ballpark , deceptive , dubious , exact , misleading , precise , rough , round : figure .

- c- announce , check , cook, doctor , examine , falsify , go over , go through , issue , manipulate , massage , publish , release , study : the figures.

- d- Be forced out of , break into , corner , dominate , enter , monopolize , take over , withdraw from : the market .

- e- exorbitant , attractive , fair , high , inflated , reasonable , tangible , retail , selling : price

- f- booming , healthy , depressed , expanding , flat , growing , niche , sluggish , specialist , strong , weak : market .