

Second English Exam

KEYS

A Read the following text about “How search engines spread misinformation” and then circle the right answer. 4.5 (0.75)

1 Which statement best expresses a central idea of the passage?

c The combination of imperfect algorithms and human nature often leads to the spread of misinformation.

2 What determines how high a link appears in a list of search results?

b how many times users click the link

3 Which detail from the passage best supports the idea that people sometimes trust sources that contain misinformation?

a “One study found that more popular YouTube videos about diabetes are less likely to have medically valid information than less popular videos on the subject, for instance.” (Paragraph 2)

4 What did the study indicate about adults’ ability to identify trustworthy information?

c People incorrectly identified accurate information about half of the time.

5 What connection does the author make between user clicks and search engine results?

b Because of higher user engagement, the popular search results are not always the most accurate.

6 Which detail best expresses the author’s use of rhetoric to advance his argument?

d “Otherwise market economies and people’s natural inclination to be attracted to eye-catching links will keep the vicious cycle going.” (Paragraph 17)

7 How does the author support the argument that human and technological factors lead to the spreading of misinformation through online search engines? 0.25 pt

Online search engines spread misinformation because of human tendency toward sensationalism and profit motive.

B find in the text words similar in meaning to the following definitions. 1.25 pt (0.25)

1. unexpectedly great or amazing in quality

sensational

2. a state of being unresistant to influence

susceptibility

3. having significant connection to the topic or the matter at hand

relevant

4. favour or disadvantage a particular person or thing based on group rather than merit

discriminate..

5. something that is exposed as false or untrue

debunked

LANGUAGE IN USE

1 Correct the errors in subject-verb agreement in the following sentences when necessary. Put a tick when it is correct.

1 Two hours are enough to complete the task allotted to the students.

....is...

- 2 A majority of the class 9 students were unhappy with extra course.
...correct...
- 3 Allowing businesses to ignore accessibility issues regulate people with disabilities to second
...regulates...
- 4 The combination of intelligence, training, integrity and people skills make the young account
a prize recruit for any firm.makes...
- 5 Not only the published papers but also the one under review was called into question.
...was...
- 6 The employees of the organisation, as well as the chief executive officer, have an interest in
the project's success. ...correct...
- 7 Either professors or the university president meet with the students frequently.
....meets...
- 8 Five thousand dollars were deposited at the bank this morning.
....was...

2 Complete the following passage with the correct phrasal verbs. 2 pts (0.25)

How do you gain access to the Internet Service provider?

1 ...To log on....to an ISP, you need 2...to type in... your username and password. Once you are online, you can get email, 3...look for...information on the Web, 4...look up. IT words in dictionaries, 5...try out...new software, and 6...sign up.... for RSS feeds, newsletters, etc. It is important that you remember 7...to log off...after using the Internet. An open line increases the risk of viruses, and hackers might 8...hack into...your computer to steal confidential data.

3 Complete the following passage about “Deep web vs. Dark web” with the suitable words.

The first letter is given. 2 pts (0.25)

The terms deep web and dark web are often used interchangeably, but they are actually very different from each other.

The deep web refers to all the pages that are not indexed, making them invisible to search engines.

It isn't also as 1 nefarious as most people make it out to be. In fact, the majority of its websites are 2 harmless and completely benign, containing pages that can be accessed only through an exclusive online form or certain parts of platforms that require a paid 3 subscription.

In contrast to this, the dark web contains only a few thousands of websites, most of which use sophisticated 4 ...encryption.....software that conceals the user's identity and location. This 5 anonymity is the reason why illicit activities thrive on the dark web.

Since users and website administrators alike are completely hidden, they can engage in transactions or activities that would normally be 6 deemed .to be illegal. However, not everything on the dark web is 7 unlawful. It's also used by activists, journalists and whistleblowers who are 8 censored in real life on the surface web.

4 Complete the following dialogue by diagnosing a problem or giving a piece of advice. 01pt

A: Can you check my laptop? 1 Nothing seems to work.

B: 2 Have you updated your antivirus software recently?

A: Yes, I have. I did it last week.

B: Well, that's good.

A: I'm afraid I may lose my project. I haven't backed it up.

B: Hmm. **3** You might have spyware or some other malware on your computer.

4 You should install a good spyware program. An antivirus program may not catch everything.

A: OK, I'll do that.

B: And **5** why don't you protect your WLA N access with a password? It's likely you will attract hackers and piggybackers and then you might lose a lot of work.

A: Fine, I'll do that.

B: 6 I'll scan your system with an anti-spyware software now and see if there is a problem.

A: Thanks.

Writing: 05 pts