**Unit 6 Self-test**

**I. Vocabulary**

**Choose the appropriate word or expression to fill in each blank.**

1. He made a fortune by \_\_\_\_\_ in antique furniture.

A. earning B. spending C. investing D. saving

2. This man is a (n) \_\_\_\_\_ leader.

A. available B. eligible C. standardized D. elite

3. The train broke down and passengers were \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to a bus.

A. transferred B. transplanted C. transported D. transited

4. Excuse my \_\_\_\_\_\_, but how does it actually work?

A. diligence B. knowledge C. intelligence D. ignorance

5. This theory seemed like a reasonable \_\_\_\_\_\_.

A. assume B. consumption C. redemption D. assumption

6. I was wondering if you could offer your views on income \_\_\_\_\_\_.

A. quality B. inequality C. quantity D. qualification

7. You do not need any guarantees or \_\_\_\_\_\_ evaluation.

A. ability B. prize C. asset D. money

8. I will \_\_\_\_\_\_ my conclusion.

A. recognize B. recommend C. reconsider D. restrain

9. --- I asked Paul to eat out tonight, he said he had an essay to write. But I just saw him went into the cinema!

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A. Which film? B. I’d like to go with you.

C. Paul loves films. D. It is very clear that he lied.

10. ---It is said that Susan was fired because she stole some documents.

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A. I will call and ask her. B. I don’t believe Susan will do something like that.

C. I will inform her. D. We should call the police.

**II. Listening Comprehension**

**News Report**

**Directions:** *In this section, you will hear one news report. At the end of the news report, you will hear three questions. Both the news report and the questions will be spoken only once. After you hear a question, you must choose the best answer from the four choices marked A), B), C) and D).*

**Questions 1 to 3 are based on the news report you have just heard.**

1. A. How Jessica McLeod got rid of the habit of using drugs.

B. How the Career Family Opportunity program helps women in poverty.

C. How the Career Family Opportunity program gets financial support.

D. How Jessica McLeod became successful with the help of the program.

1. A. To help people overcome poverty.

B. To help single parents raise their children.

C. To help drug users treat their addiction.

D. To motivate people to take small steps toward a new life.

1. A. Some are now employed again.

B. Some who had dropped out of school are in college.

C. Some who had not worked started their own business.

D. Some are budgeting and sharing their ideas with the children and peers.

**Script**

Jessica McLeod, a former drug user who had lost everything, sat with a group of counselors in a South Boston meeting room recently, huddled over a pile of papers. Together, the group was setting up a plan to dig her out of poverty. The plan was “Get a job, pay off old debts, enroll in nursing classes.” and the deadlines were set.

Each time McLeod, 32, meets one of her goals, she will get a small bonus in a novel program. The Career Family Opportunity program gives 19 single parents anything from $50 for showing up for a doctor’s appointment to $500 for finishing a year of college. Organizers hope the rewards will help motivate women like McLeod to take many small steps toward a life free of poverty and welfare.

And the program director said with a little financial incentive, women participating in the program had something to work toward. Some who had dropped out of school are in college. Others who had not worked are now employed. Many are budgeting and sharing their ideas with their children and peers.

**Questions**

1. What does the news report mainly talk about?
2. What’s the function of the rewards?
3. Which of the following is not included in the results of the program?

Key: 1. B 2. D 3. C

**Long Conversation**

**Directions:** *In this section, you will hear one long conversation. At the end of the conversation, you will hear four questions. Both the conversation and the questions will be spoken only once. After you hear a question, you must choose the best answer from the four choices marked A), B), C) and D).*

**Questions 4 to 7 are based on the long conversation you have just heard.**

4. A. They are discussing which movie to choose.  
B. They are discussing what to do during the weekend.

C. They are discussing which restaurant to go.

D. They are discussing whether to go out with Karen or not.

5. A. She doesn’t like Summer Pizza House at all.

B. She thinks it is acceptable.

C. She thinks Pizza Hut is better.

D. She thinks it has the best pizza in town.

6. A. The 2:00 pm show.

B. The 4:00 pm show.

C. The 6:00 pm show.

D. The 8:00 pm show.

7. A. She is about Christie’s height.

B. She is quite slim.

C. She can play the piano.

D. She has black hair.

**Script**

Laurie: So, what are your plans for this weekend?

Christie: I don’t know. Do you want to get together or something?

Laurie: How about going to see a movie? Cinemax 26 on Carson Boulevard is showing *Enchanted*.

Christie: That sounds like a good idea. Maybe we should go out to eat beforehand.

Laurie: It is fine with me. Where do you want to meet?

Christie: Let’s meet at Summer Pizza House. I have not gone there for a long time.

Laurie: Good idea again. I heard they just came up with a new pizza. It should be good because Summer Pizza House always has the best pizza in town.

Christie: When should we meet?

Laurie: Well, the movie is shown at 2:00 pm, 4:00 pm, 6:00 pm and 8:00 pm.

Christie: Why don’t we go to the 2:00 pm show? We can meet at Summer Pizza House at noon. That will give us plenty of time to enjoy our pizza.

Laurie: My cousin Karen is in town. Can I bring her along? I hate to leave her home alone.

Christie: Karen is in town? Yes, bring her along. I met her at our high school graduation party two years ago. What does she look like now?

Laurie: She has blond hair, she is kind of slender, and she is about your height.

Christie: And I remember that she was playing the piano off and on during the party. Do bring her along, Laurie. She is such a nice person, and funny too.

Laurie: She will be happy to meet you again.

**Questions:**

4. What are the two speakers talking about?

5. What does Laurie think of Summer Pizza House?

6. Which movie will they go?

7. Which of the following description is not true about Karen?

Key: 4. B 5. D 6. A 7. D

**Passage**

**Directions:** *In this section, you will hear one passage. At the end of the passage, you will hear three questions. Both the passage and the questions will be spoken only once. After you hear a question, you must choose the best answer from the four choices marked A), B), C) and D).*

**Questions 8 to 10 are based on the passage you have just heard.**

8. A. 15%  
　B. 50%  
　C. 58%  
　D. 82%

9. A. To buy food for the poor.

B. To buy clothing.

C. To help unemployed to find jobs.

D. To provided shelters to the needed.

10. A. 1932.  
　 B. 1933.  
　 C. 1934.  
　 D. 1935.

**Script**

Charities are just as vulnerable, if not more so, to economic weakness as are corporations. The way the economy goes determines how charity goes.

Total giving figures for last year will not be available until June, but many charities are reporting lower income from donations. Surveys of the largest 100 United Ways in December and January suggest a decline of 2% to 5.6% in giving this year. More than half of the United Ways – 58% – are expecting a drop this year. In addition, 82% are anticipating higher rates of uncollectible pledges. Some areas have been hit harder than others. For example, the United Way in Elkhart, Indiana, expects a 50% drop in donations. The city, which was visited Monday by President Barack Obama, has a 15% unemployment rate.

But the nation's economic travails have coincided with an increase in volunteerism, and even if the predicted declines prove true, the United Way is still likely to raise more than $4 billion this year.

It will be needed, since demand has spiked, with calls to the United Way's hotline increasing for financial assistance to cover basic needs like food, shelter and clothing.

United Way's biggest drop in donations occurred in 1932, when they fell by 24%, followed by two more years of increasingly smaller declines until 1935, when growth resumed.

**Questions:**

8. How many of the United Ways will lose the donations promised?   
9. Which of the following usage of the donation is not mentioned in the passage?

10. Which year of the following did not have a donation drop?

**Key:** 8. D 9. C 10. D