



Sri Lanka Institute of Information Technology

BSc (Hons) in Information Technology

Final Examination – Model Questions

Year 1, Semester 2 (2024)

IT1080 – English for Academic Purposes

Duration: 2 Hours

Question 1 – Reading Comprehension (20 marks)

(the exam question will include questions similar to the practice exercises).

Question 2 (10 marks)

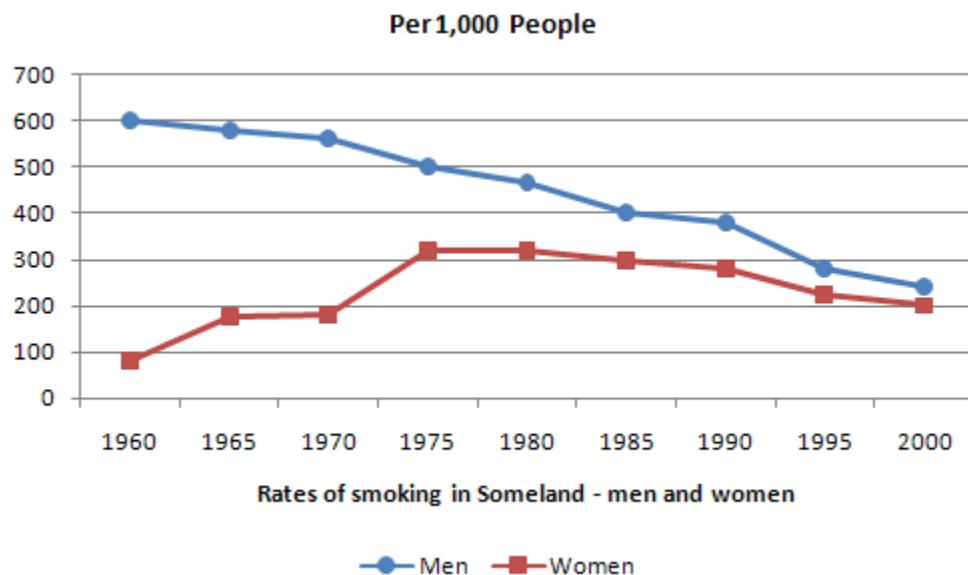
In the text below some words are missing. Fill the blanks with an appropriate word from those given in the box.

Passengers on board commercial ships are provided with an on-board safety 1..... known as a marine-evacuation system. The equipment, 2 invented in the 1970s for high-speed craft, has an inflatable escape slide which allows passengers on ships to 3 safely and quickly if the vessel is in danger of 4 Passengers slide down the ramp onto life rafts in order to evacuate the boat in a similar 5 to the escape systems found on aeroplanes.

device	originally	trialled	avoidance	exit
sinking	fashion	strategies		

Question 3 (20 marks)

Complete the description of the following graph using the most suitable words/phrases from the box below. One word/phrase can be used only once.



The graph (1)..... the rate of smoking in men and women in Someland between the years 1960 and 2000. It can be clearly seen that the rate of smoking for both men and women is currently (2)..... and that fewer women have smoked throughout the (3).....

In 1960, 600 men in every 1,000 was smoking. This number decreased (4)..... to 500 by 1974 and continued to (5)..... but more steeply to 250 in 2000. In contrast, the rate of smoking in women in 1960 was very low at only 80 in every 1,000. By 1968 this increased to 170, and increased again but more (6)..... to 320 in 1977. The rate of female smokers then remained (7)..... at 320 until 1984 at which point the figures began to decline and had dropped to 200 by 2000.

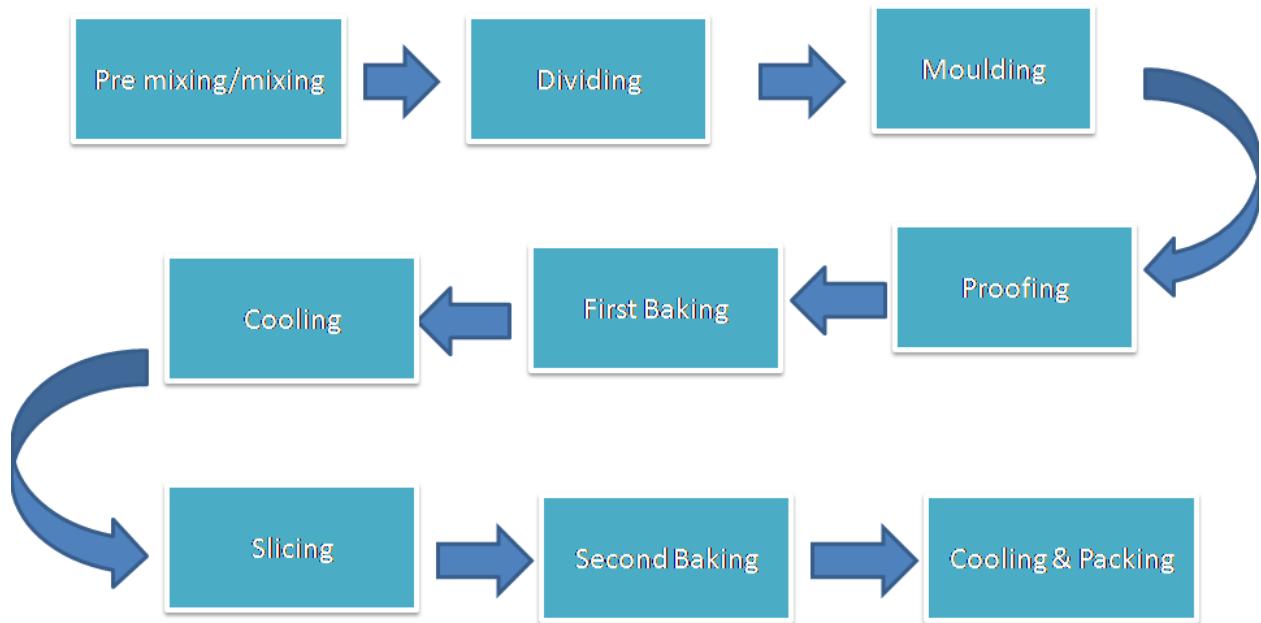
In conclusion we can see that the rate of smoking in men (8)..... throughout the whole period but was always at a (9)..... level than the female figures. The rate of smoking in women (10)..... until 1977 but then decreased for the rest of the period.

gradually	higher	increased	dropped	stable
steeply		decreasing		compares
			period	

Question 4 (25 marks) – Students should write the process.

Describe the following process.

Rusk Manufacturing Process Flow Chart



Question 5 (25 marks)

Read the following text and summarize it with no more than 50 words.

Effects of the COVID-19 pandemic transmit to food systems through both demand and supply sides. Although crop cultivation activities were not restricted in Sri Lanka, mobility restrictions resulted in a shortage of manpower for labour-intensive crop cultivation and other food supply chain activities during the lockdown period. Accordingly, intermediary processes of food manufacturing, including processing, packaging, storage, and distribution, were impacted with labour shortages arising from the island wide mobility restrictions imposed during the period from March to end April 2020, in particular. Meanwhile, post-harvest losses in perishable products increased notably during the lockdown due to disruptions to food distribution channels and closure of markets. Such supply side disruptions drove up food prices, adversely impacting vulnerable groups with less purchasing power, which prompted the Government to interfere through various measures to mitigate the situation.

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