**SECTION III. LANGUAGE (33 pts.)**

**A. Below is Mika’s e-mail to her friend. Read it and fill in each blank with the correct form of the verb given in parentheses. (1 pt. each; 15 pts.)**

Dear Jo,

Thanks for your email. I’m sorry, I was busy – I couldn’t write back. My life in Ireland is very different from my life back at home. I (1) (arrive) in Dublin three months ago. I couldn’t find a place of my own, so currently, I (2) (share) a flat with a girl. Her name is Mirabel. She (3) (come) from Spain and she is a really lovely person. She has a lot of friends, and she is really helpful. I (4) (know) many people because I’m new here. I (5)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(need) some time to make close friends.

Last night, we (6) (go) to a party at Mirabel’s friend’s house. There were a lot of people there and the food was delicious. I really enjoyed it. Talking to different people was fun. I (7) (meet) an Italian boy, Marco. At the weekends, he (8)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(teach) Italian to both young and adult learners. Because I am an English teacher, we (9)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (have) a lot of things in common. By the way, he is very handsome!

In my first week here, I was very unhappy because I (10) (have) a job. While I (11) (look) for one, I saw an advertisement in the local newspaper. They wanted me to start immediately, so I did. I’m very happy now, and I am not planning (12) (change) careers in the future.

Next week, we have a national holiday here. Mirabel and I (13) (visit) the

historical King’s Castle in Limerick with our friends. I am really looking forward to

(14) (see) this famous castle.

I should (15) (go) and help Mirabel in the kitchen now. She (16) (wash) the dishes. I expect to hear from you soon.

Love,

Mika

**B. Read the text and fill in each blank with ONE WORD ONLY. (1 pt. each; 10 pts.) JOHN LENNON AND THE BEATLES**

John Lennon was a famous English musician, singer and songwriter. He was a member of the Beatles, one of the most famous bands in the history of music. He wrote many songs, and he also sang very well.

John Lennon was born in 1940 in Liverpool, England. His parents (1) financial problems, and they couldn’t take care of him. They sent John to live with his aunt. His aunt was interested (2) music, and she gave John music lessons.

(3)

(4)

his high school years, John learned to play the guitar, but he

good at his lessons. He was talented, but he was a/an (5) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

student. After high school, he went to the Liverpool College of Art. He hated studying, so he

(6) graduate from college. Then, he began earning money by singing at pubs (7) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ night clubs.

At the age of 15, John started his first band. (8) was called the Quarrymen. In

1960, John formed the Beatles with Paul McCartney and George Harrison. They needed a drummer, (9) Paul invited Ringo Starr to the band. Starr didn’t decline the invitation, and he became the drummer of the band. Their first song, *Love Me Do,* became very popular in England, and after that song, the Beatles became famous all over the world.

In October 1963, the band toured the world. They gave concerts in many different countries. One year (10) , in 1964, they recorded their third best-selling album *A Hard Day’s Night*. Their songs became number one in music charts all over the world.

**D. Complete the dialogue with ONE question. Write your answer in the blank provided. (2 pts. each; 4 pts.)**

1. **A:** Did you know that the winter is very long in Siberia?

**B:** Really? ?

**A:** It lasts from September to May.

**B:** Nine months! I don’t think I can live there.

2. **Detective :** ?

**Mrs. June :** Last night? I was at home, of course. I never miss my favorite TV series.

**Detective :** Are you sure, Mrs. June? Your neighbors say the lights at your apartment were off.

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**BEGINNER GROUP**

**SECTION IV. READING & VOCABULARY (42 pts.)**

**Text I. Read the following text and answer the questions. (12 pts.)**

**1** Limerick is a large city in the west of Ireland. It is famous for its history, culture and natural beauty. The people of Limerick think their city is special because Limerick became Ireland’s first city of culture in 2012. In 2014, they are going to celebrate Limerick’s success with a festival. **They** are hoping to attract many visitors from all around the world with concerts, exhibitions, and tours – a complete series of events! The University of Limerick is one of the main sponsors of the festival and it is offering its 1,000-seat concert hall and three big exhibition halls to the festival committee, so most of the events are going to take place there. Some new local musicians are going to give on-campus concerts, and young artists and photographers from the university are going to be there with **their artwork**. There is going to be a historical tour to King John’s Castle and St. Mary’s Cathedral, and you can also join the boat-tour on the River Shannon.

**2** Limerick is the birthplace of Dolores O’Riordan, the vocalist of the famous music group, the Cranberries. She is also invited to the festival as a special guest because she is very successful. Her band is giving a concert on Christmas Eve with the Irish Chamber Orchestra at Merchant’s Quay in front of City Hall. Tickets for the show are on sale at Ticketmaster website, and around

3,000 people are expected to attend it.

**A. What do following words refer to? (1 pt. each; 2 pts.)**

1. They (para. 1) : \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

2. their artwork (para. 2): the artwork of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**B. Answer the following questions. (2 pts. each; 10 pts.)**

1. Where is Limerick located?

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. .

2. Write **two** activities visitors can enjoy at the festival of Limerick.

a) b) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

3. How is the University of Limerick helping the festival organization?

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. .

4. Who is the Cranberries giving a concert with?

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. .

5. Where can you get tickets for the Cranberries concert?

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**Text II. (20 pts.)**

1 Robert Midhurst is a 65-year-old retired hairdresser from London, England. When you first see him, you think there is nothing unusual about him, but he isn’t like other old people. Some of the old people in his neighborhood sit in front of the TV all day and others play chess in the park, but Robert Midhurst lives like a young person: He travels to different places on his bicycle. Last September, he went from London to Dover on his bike. He got on a ferryboat **there** and crossed the English Channel to Boulogne, France. He traveled south and reached Paris after three days, but he couldn’t enjoy the city because it rained all the time. He stayed in a small hotel for two days. Then, he got on his bike again, left Paris, and went on a journey to Perpignan, a French town near Spain.

2 Robert enjoyed traveling around France a lot, and fortunately, the weather got better. He continued to travel south, and passed Limoges and Toulouse. He really loved **these two cities**, but he didn’t stay long. It was October when he finally reached Spain. For five days, he couldn’t travel easily because there were strong winds, and it was often stormy. At the beginning of November, he reached the famous Spanish coast, Costa del Sol. It was three months after the holiday season on **this famous coast**, and it was not an exciting place in this season. He decided to leave Spain at the beginning of January, and he went to Africa on a boat.

3 In Morocco and Algeria, he cycled along the coast. It was his first time in Africa and the journey was very exciting. There were a lot of interesting places to visit and he loved all of them. Unfortunately, he became ill in a small Algerian village, so he couldn’t continue his journey for a week. There were no hospitals in the village because **it** was in a poor region of the country and it was a considerable distance to the nearest hospital. A local fisherman and his family helped Robert. They took care of him; he stayed in their house. He couldn’t eat anything for days. When he got better, he thought about flying back to England, but finally, he decided to continue his journey in Africa.

**A. What do following words refer to? (1 pt. each; 4 pts.)**

1. there (para.1) : \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

2. these two cities (para.2) : \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

3. this famous coast (para.2) : \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

4. it (para.3) : \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**B. Answer the following questions. (2 pts. each; 10 pts.)**

1. How is Robert Midhurst different from the old people in his neighborhood?

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2. What was the weather like in Paris?

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3. How long did he stay in Paris?

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4. Why was his journey in Spain difficult?

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5. Who did he stay with in the Algerian village?

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**C. Read the text, and mark the statements true (T) or false (F). (1 pt. each; 6 pts.)**

**T F** 1. Robert Midhurst works as a hairdresser in London.

**T F** 2. It was winter when he left Spain.

**T F** 3. Midhurst was familiar with Africa because he went there before.

**T F** 4. He thought Africa was boring.

**T F** 5. He stopped traveling for a week because he got sick in an Algerian village.

**T F** 6. He got on a plane and returned to England.

**VOCABULARY**

**Read the advertisement, and fill in each blank with a suitable word from the box**. **There are more words than you need. Do not change the forms of the words. Use each word only ONCE. (1 pt. each; 10 pts.)**

**traditional includes interested lie down restriction**

**satisfy find attention spend try**

**save lucky avoids treat reduce**

Do you work long hours? Are you feeling mentally or physically stressed? Doctors say that these days stress is the number one cause of illnesses and death, so people should pay (1) to their stress level. Unfortunately, most people don’t know how to deal with stress and take care of themselves, but you are (2) because now you can get a massage at Bali Paradise and you don’t even need to travel to Bali to get it!

At our massage center, we use both (3) and modern massage techniques. We follow the old Thai and Chinese customs, and we also apply a new kind of aromatherapy. Moreover, we offer stone massages. In this type of massage, you (4) on our comfortable massage table and we put hot stones on you back. The stone massage can (5) you from backaches! Do you need a calm and peaceful atmosphere?

Do you like exotic smells? Then, you should definitely (6) our new aromatic

body massage with exotic massage oils. Our full body massages take at least one hour and you (7) this hour not thinking about your everyday problems. If you don’t have time for a full body massage, we can offer you another alternative: a 15-minute foot massage! People (8) our foot massages very relaxing. We also give SPA therapy. Our SPA therapy (9) a full body massage, aromatherapy, a small snack of green tea and cucumber sandwiches, hand and foot care and flower masks. After you receive our famous SPA therapy, you will feel really happy!

To (10) your chances of getting sick, come to Bali Paradise for a therapy! Take your stress seriously!

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**SECTION III. LANGUAGE (33 pts.)**

**A. 1 pt. each; 16 pts.**

1. arrived

2. am sharing

3. comes

4. don’t know

5. need

6. went

7. met

8. teaches9. have

10. didn’t have

11. to change

12. was looking

13. are going to visit / are visiting

14. seeing

15. go

16. is washing

**B. 1 pt. each; 10 pts.**

1. had

2. in

3. In / During

4. wasn’t

5. bad / lazy / terrible

6. didn’t / couldn’t

7. at

8. It

9. so

10. later

**D. 2 pts. each; 4 pts.**

1. How long does the winter / it last (there / in Siberia)

2. Where were you last night

**SECTION IV. READING & VOCABULARY (42 pts.) Text I. (12 pts.)**

**A. (1 pt. each; 2 pts.)**

1. (The) people of Limerick

2. (young) artists and photographers (from the university)

**B. (2 pts. each; 10 pts.)**

1. (Limerick is located) in the west of Ireland

2. **Any two (1 pt. each):** concerts / exhibitions / tours

3. It is offering its / a (1,000-seat) concert hall and three big exhibition halls (to the festival committee)

4. (with) the Irish Chamber Orchestra

5. (You can get tickets for the show at) Ticketmaster (website) Tickets for the show are on sale at Ticketmaster website

**Text II. (20 pts.)**

**A. (1 pt. each; 4 pts.)**

1. from Dover / in Dover

2. Limoges and Toulouse

3. (the) (famous Spanish coast), Costa del Sol

4. (the) village

**B. (2 pts. each; 10 pts.)**

1. He doesn’t sit in front of the TV all day / He doesn’t play chess in the park / He lives

like a young person / He travels to different places on his bicycle.

2. It rained (all the time). / It was rainy.

3. (He stayed in Paris/there) for two days.

4. (Because) there were strong winds. it was windy.

it was (often) stormy.

5. (He stayed) with a (local) fisherman (and his family).

**C. (1 pts. each; 6 pts.)**

1. F

2. T

3. F

4. F

5. T

6. F

**VOCABULARY (1 pt. each; 10 pts.)**

1. attention

2. lucky

3. traditional

4. lie down

5. save

6. try

7. spend

8. find

9. includes

10. reduce