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SECTION A: Reading Comprehension. 10mks

READING COMPREHENSION

DRUGS

Drugs are chemicals that change the way a person's body works. Drugs have their good and bad effects. Medicines are legal drugs. They are taken by people who are sick. As legal drugs, it means that doctors are allowed to prescribe them for patients. They are legally sold in hospitals or in pharmacies. Stores can also sell them and people are allowed to buy them. But it is not legal or safe for people to use these medicines any way they want or to buy them from people who are selling illegally.

Drug abuse is a very serious public health problem that affects almost every community and family in some ways. Each year, drug abuse causes millions of serious illnesses or injuries in people. It plays a role in many major social problems such as drug, driving, violence, stress and child abuse. Drug abuse can lead to homelessness, crime and skipping of job schedules. It harms unborn babies and destroys families.

Drug addiction is a dependence on an illegal drug or a medication. When you are addicted, you may not be able to control your drug use and you may continue using drug despite the harm it causes. Drug addiction can cause an intense craving for the drug. You may not want to quit but it is often very difficult for many people, they cannot do it on their own. For many people, what starts as casual use often leads to drug addiction. Drug addiction can cause serious long term consequences, including problems with physical and mental health, relationships, employment and the law. You may need help from your doctor, family, friend, support groups or an organized treatment program to overcome your drug addiction and stay drug-free.

When people talk about "Drug problem", they are talking about abusing legal drugs or using illegal drugs. Such as marijuana, cocaine and heroin just to name a few. Illegal drugs are not good for anyone, but they are particularly bad for a kid or teen whose body is still growing. Illegal drugs can damage the brain, heart, and other organs. Cocaine, for instance, can cause a heart attack even in a kid or teen. People are also less able to do well in school, sports and other activities. It is often harder to think clearly and make good decisions. People can do dump or dangerous things that could hurt them or other people when they us drugs.

The side effects of drugs vary depending on the type. Someone high on stimulants may experience an increase in energy that is caused by the drug speeding up the body's metabolism and heart rate. Since these drugs increase the heart rate, an increase in blood pressure can be related side effect. However, someone who uses depressants can feel relaxed, and experience fatigue. It is not only the drug that dictates side effects. Everyone is different so you may not experience the same side effects as your friend does. It is also common for side effects to vary depending on your age, weight, gender and general health.

Stimulants like cocaine, crystal meth and amphetamines give you an increase amount of energy. They can cause you to stay awake much longer than normal. Repeated use of stimulants can cause violent behavior, panics, attacks, and mood swings. People who abuse stimulants also have an increased risk of heart attack or stroke. Opioids depress your respiration and people who use them develop pulmonary issues such as pneumonia. They also run the risk of developing collapsed veins, liver diseases and infections in the heart and valves. Hallucinogenics can have psychological and physical effects on your body. Users become paranoid, have mood swings, have outburst of violence or develop extreme depression.

Many technicians have been deceived into thinking that drugs can help them perform better. Unfortunately, this begins the drug cycle which eventually leads to a chemical dependency to the drug. Some technicians continue to use drugs because they do not like the way their body feels when they come down from their high. The vicious cycle continues until their body develops a tolerance to drug which causes them to consume it on higher doses. It ends up destroying them and their businesses.

(Adapted from Drugabuse.com/library/drug abuse effects)

Question 1-10: Choose the alternative that best completes each sentence in context:

1. "Medicines are legal drugs" in paragraph 1 means that

- A anyone can use them.
- B anyone can sell them.
- C patients can obtain them from authorized sources.
- D patients are allowed to buy and use them the way they want.
- 2. Drug abuse is a societal problem because
 - A it concerns the whole society.
 - B it leads to societal ills like banditory and violence.
 - C the society encourages its consumption.
 - D people live in the society and consume it.

- 3. Drug addicts find it difficult to quit drugs because of:
 - A their inability to control drug use in spite its nefarious effect.
 - B the lack of counselors to counsel them.
 - C the inexistence of organized treatment programs.
 - D the fact that drugs enhance physical and mental health.
- 4. Two means which "addicts" can use to overcome drug abuse are
 - A seeking and obtaining assistance from a medical professional and support group.
 - B involvement in sporting activities and enrolling in an organized treatment program to overcome drug addiction.

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С	C soliciting the help of family, friends, support groups and adopting good feeding habits.		D rational and irrational reasoning.				
D	talking about drug problems	8.	-	aragraph 6, the expression			
	and staying drug-free.			become paranoid", means that			
	in various (C)	they	can be				
5. Stimulants as used in paragraph (6) refers to drugs that			A B	suspicious. indifferent.			
A	_		С	stoical.			
В			D	introverted.			
C							
	metabolism and heart rate.	9.	Som	ne technicians are obstinate in			
D	enhance performance.	the u	se of d	Irugs because the former			
			Α	are chemically dependent on			
6. Th	e antonym of <u>depressants</u> as used			them.			
in paragra	iph 5 is		В	consume them on higher			
Α				doses.			
В	•		С	tolerate drugs in their bodies.			
С	S .		D	are unable to tolerate their			
D	stimulants.			bodies reaction without drug intake.			
7. Ac	cording to the passage, addiction						
may cause		10. The similarity between <u>Opioids</u> and					
Α		Cryst		h is that both of them are			
_	performance of professionals.		A	depressants.			
В			В	stimulants.			
6	performance.		С	subject to insomnia.			
С	wight loss and weight gain.		D	drugs.			
	N B: Grammar. 20mks						
1. Comple	ete the sentences with the gerund or in	nfinitive	form o	of the verbs in bracket. 5mks			
1. He enjo	oys (have) a bath in th	e evenin	ıg.				
2. She kept (talk) during the film.							
3. I am lea	arning (speak) English						
4. Do you mind (give) me a hand?							
5. She helped me (carry) my suitcases.							
6. I've finished (cook). Come and eat!							
7. He decided (study) Biology.							
8. I dislike (wait).							
9. They plan (start) college in the autumn							
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10. I promise (help) you tomorrow.							

My dad is used to getting	up early. (get) up early.			
1. Sarah is thinking	to Greg's place. (move)			
2. My brother is good	. My brother is good (dive)			
3. I'm not very keen	computer games. (play)			
4. I have no objection	the football match tonig	ht. (watch)		
5. I'm tired	in the queues at the airports. (wait)			
6. We had difficulty	the way to the museum. (f	ind)		
7. Are you interested	your professional career?	(build)		
8. There's no point	an old car. (buy)			
·	in restaurants. (smoke)			
• •	a new house. (have)			
2. We have been to the G3. There were very	hours in the sun every day is pleasant. reek islands times people in the tavern last night.			
	milk in your coffee?			
5. I'd like to spend	more time on the beach today			
 Jennifer is always at ho I don't like the weather 	n. Write on the line. 2.5mks me. She doesn't go out a. enough b. many c. too many in London. There is rain. a. too many b. much c. too much ere at the concert. There were	_ people.		
4. Uhawan Itaat	a. many b. too many c. too much			
4. i naven t got	time to finish my test. a. too many b. too much c. enough			
5. You drank	coffee. That's why you feel sick.			
5. 104 GIGHN	a. too much b. many c. enough			
6. I made	mistakes with her. That's why she left me.			
	a. enough b. too much c. too many			
7. If you don't eat	fruit, you can get ill.			
	a. many b. much c. enough			
8. Claire is tall	to be a fashion model.			
	a. too much b. enough c. too many			
0 0 1 1 1 1 1	milk in the pancakes dough.			
9. Oh no! You put				
	a. enough b. too much c. too many			

5. Write the missing quantifier on the line. 5mks									
	1.	Teenagers like	fast food today. Are you am	d today. Are you among them, too?					
	2.	You should make su	re you've saved money	to buy a new motorbike.					
	3.	In the USA children	watch violence on TV	. This is really scary.					
	4.	How	classes do you have today? Five or six	?					
	5.	How	sugar do you use for your chocolate cake?						
	6.	here are chairs in this classroom. Take some out.							
	7.	Is there	lemonade for everyone? I don't war	nt you to be thirsty.					
	8.	We lost	time with talking yesterday. We sh	ould have worked more.					
	9.	How	money did you spend in amusement p	oark?					

SECTION C: Composition. 10mks

10. How _____ coins do you have in your pocket?

Read the excerpts carefully and then write a composition on ONE of them. The questions are in bold

- 1-"That's how they teach you in school," he said, smiling. "But that is not how life teaches you, and I would say that life is the best teacher of all. Most of the time, life does not talk to you. It just sort of pushes you around. Each push is life saying, 'Wake up. There's something I want you to learn."
- -Write a composition of not more than 1page to justify the statement that...life is the best teacher of all"
- 2-- "One of the reasons the rich get richer, the poor get poorer and the middle class struggles in debt is that the subject of money is taught at home, not in school"

In your opinion, should the subject of money be taught in school? If yes, what level is appropriate to begin?