

**TASK 1. READING (10 points: 1 answer = 1 point)**

*Put the following parts of the text in the correct order to recreate the text. Answer sheet 1-10.*

**How to Find a Hobby**

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**A.** If you need the motivation of others, joining a sports team or a book club can be an excellent hobby as it forces you to interact with others. If you're a more introverted person, something you do alone, like reading or watching TV sitcoms, may be a better choice. Hopefully, you will find a hobby to your liking. However, it might take some time, so keep on trying.

**B.** This can get expensive fast, but if you have the money and are truly interested it may be worth it.

**C.** In order to find a hobby you'll keep, think practically. Choose something you have the time and money for. You should also think about your personality and interests. When beginning your hobby, start slow and have patience. You're more likely to stick with a hobby if you ease in gradually.

**D.** What can you reasonably afford?  
Some hobbies require a lot of equipment. If you want to take up a sport like, say, hockey, you will need protective gear, a helmet, a stick, ice skates, equipment bags and so on.

**E.** Think about the time commitment. If you're very busy, you may not want an incredibly time consuming hobby. However, if you have a lot of free time on your hands, a hobby that requires a lot of time may help you stay busy.  
Things like reading, drawing, or crossword puzzles can be done in small spare moments. You can do these things on your lunch break or after dinner at night. They do not require a lot of time. These may be good if you're already busy.

**F.** A HOBBY is a great way to stay busy during downtime. Many people find hobbies relaxing and a great way to relax. However, many find it difficult to stick with hobbies once they start them.

**G.** Weigh in how social you are. Be honest with yourself about your need for socialization. If you're a more social person by nature, you're unlikely to stick with

a solo hobby. If you tend to prefer to spend time alone, a hobby you do with others may not interest you.

**H.** If you're on a budget, look for a hobby that's low cost. Something like knitting, for example, only requires basic supplies like needles, yarn, and some scissors. While you'll have to put some money towards this hobby, you can find many of these supplies for a lower cost online, at a department store, or at a craft store.

**I.** Other hobbies require a great deal of free time. Something like gardening, for example, must be done for a set number of hours each day. If you have a lot of free time to fill, opt for a hobby like this.

**J.** Assess your budget. Some hobbies are more expensive than others. Before choosing a hobby, think about your personal budget.

## **TASK 2. USE OF ENGLISH (10 points: 1 answer = 2 points)**

*Fill the gaps with 5 words from the box. Each word is used only once. You may need to change the word (its form and tense) in order for it to fit the context. There are 2 extra words in the box. Answer sheet 11-15.*

### **Celebrities and You**

**DEPRESS - HARM - IDENTIFY - INTEREST - LEGAL – LIKE - LIFE**

Celebrities are everywhere nowadays: on TV, in magazines, online. Is this preoccupation with famous people **11.** \_\_\_\_\_ fun or is it bad for us? How many people are truly obsessed with modern media idols? And on the other side of the coin, can fame be harmful to the celebrities?

Studies suggest that the vast majority of teenagers do not really worship celebrities. So far researchers **12.** \_\_\_\_\_ three kinds of fans. About 15% of young people have an 'entertainment-social' interest. They love chatting about their favourite celebrities with friends and this does not appear to do any harm.

Another 5% feel that they have an 'intense-personal' relationship with a celebrity. Sometimes they see them as their soulmate and find that they are often thinking about them, even when they don't want to. These people are more at risk

from **13.** \_\_\_\_\_ and anxiety. If girls in this group idolise a female star with a body they consider to be perfect, they are more **14.** \_\_\_\_\_ to be unhappy with their own bodies.

That leaves 2% of young people with a 'borderline-pathological' interest. They might say, for example, they would spend several thousand pounds on a paper plate the celebrity had used, or that they would do something **15.** \_\_\_\_\_ if the celebrity asked them to. These people are in most danger of being seriously distressed.

### **TASK 3. USE OF ENGLISH (10 points: 1 answer = 1 point)**

*Imagine that you are a teacher. You asked your students to study the text from Task 2. Make up 5 questions that would check the students' understanding of the text. 5 questions must be different yes/no questions (at least one) and wh-questions. Answer sheet 16-20.*

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<b>20.</b>

### **TASK 4. SOCIOCULTURAL COMPETENCE (10 points: 1 answer = 1 point)**

*Match the idioms and their definitions. Two definitions are extra. Answer sheet 21-25.*

<b>21.</b> A big fish in a small pond	<b>A.</b> someone who is really enthusiastic and enjoys working really hard
<b>22.</b> Chicken out	<b>B.</b> a situation or a subject that is different from what you first thought it was
<b>23.</b> Eager beaver	<b>C.</b> to run away very quickly because you are scared
<b>24.</b> Let sleeping dogs lie	<b>D.</b> someone who is important or powerful only because there are not many other people competing with them
<b>25.</b> A horse of another color	<b>E.</b> to leave a person or situation alone if they might cause you trouble
	<b>F.</b> used for saying that once someone has

	a bad reputation, people will blame them for everything
	<b>G.</b> to not do something you were going to do because you are too frightened

### **TASK 5. SOCIOCULTURAL COMPETENCE (10 points: 1 answer = 1 point)**

*Choose the best idioms to complete the sentences. Change the grammar and/or form if necessary. Transfer the idiom to the answer sheet 26-30.*

26. I was going to tell her how much it really cost, but I \_\_\_\_\_.
27. You said you didn't like going to the movies, but if you don't want to go because you're broke, that's \_\_\_\_\_.
28. In her hometown, she was \_\_\_\_\_, but after she moved to New York, she was just one person among millions.
29. Mary is such \_\_\_\_\_. She always helps teacher after school.
30. In politics and religion it's best \_\_\_\_\_ that's why I never discuss them.

### **TASK 6. WRITING (60 points)**

**(40 minutes, 200-220 words)**

*Imagine that your school magazine asked you to write a news report on the recent INTERNATIONAL event in your town called "World Cuisine Festival: learn, cook, eat!" the aim of which was to let people get acquainted with national cuisine of different countries.*

Write a report following the plan:

1. Name the date, the place and the event;
2. Describe what people are doing in the first picture;
3. Name the dish in the second picture, its country of origin and ingredients;
4. Say why such events are important today;
5. Introduce people's opinions.

*Follow the rules of news report writing. Make sure your report has:*

- a headline
- a byline and a placeline

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- a lead paragraph
- body paragraphs
- a conclusion



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