



Preca College Korçë
English Entrance Exam
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SECTION A - GRAMMAR

(50 marks)

Ex. A: Circle the correct item:

(12 marks)

1. I what you mean but there must be an easier way to deal with the situation.
A. am seeing B. see
C. have seen D. have been seeing
2. Sandra for a new flat for ages, but she still hasn't found one.
A. looks B. is looking
C. has looked D. has been looking
3. At this time last year, we in Liverpool.
A. had studied B. were studying
C. study D. are studying
4. In those days he usually to college, but on that occasion he took the bus.
A. is walking B. walks
C. was walking D. walked
5. My house is on West Road, the football ground.
A. opposite B. along
C. over D. against
6. Peter and Elton each other since they were children.
A. know B. were knowing
C. have known D. used to know
7. Nobody has told me the truth about the accident.
A. never B. still
C. ever D. yet
8. He has been studying French 1999.
A. from B. since
C. in D. just
9. She has never been to Poland
A. yet B. still
C. already D. before
10. She was having dinner her husband called.
A. since B. while
C. when D. after
11. How long you been waiting for the bus?
A. are B. have
C. were D. will
12. He's the most boring person we've met.
A. never B. yet
C. sometimes D. ever

Ex. B: Choose the most suitable alternative A, B, C, D. by underlying the correct answer from the list below as in the example: (10 marks)

Dogs were one of the first animals to be domesticated. Although they all (0)...B.... to the same species, they (1) more in size and appearance than any other animal, and are now (2) wherever there are human beings. They all have good hearing and an excellent sense of smell. (3) the difference between breeds, all dogs are (4)from the same ancestor, the grey wolf. Wolves enjoy hunting and are ready to run (5)prey, which is why dogs today like energetic games and plenty of exercise. Pet dogs that are not (6) enough to do can become bored and destructive. Like wolves, dogs lived in groups called packs. They (7)well to domestication as they came to see their human owners as pack leaders. The domestication of dogs began many thousands of years ago when grey wolves, in search of food, were (8)to human settlements. The wolves must gradually have become used to people, who would soon have discovered that they were quite useful animals, for wolves run faster than people and could (9)them hunt other animals. People (10) for the wild wolves and so the wolves became domesticated.

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| Example: | A follow | <u>B belong</u> | C own | D hold |
| 1. | A transform | B alter | C change | D vary |
| 2. | A general | B average | C common | D ordinary |
| 3. | A Despite | B Although | C However | D While |
| 4. | A emerged | B linked | C descended | D related |
| 5. | A away | B after | C into | D over |
| 6. | A given | B provided | C handed | D presented |
| 7. | A suited | B grew | C responded | D matched |
| 8. | A interested | B attracted | C appealed | D tempted |
| 9. | A assist | B help | C support | D allow |
| 10. | A guarded | B protected | C attended | D cared |

Ex. C: Complete the sentences with two to five words, including the word underlined. Do not change the meaning of the original sentence: (7 marks)

- I can't afford to buy those boots.
expensive Those me to buy.
- Please remind me to call the plumber tomorrow.
forget Don't let me the plumber tomorrow.
- I can't wait to meet your brother.
forward I'm your brother.
- I'm glad I don't live in a cold country.
hate I would a cold country.
- I have never met anyone who cooks as badly as your brother does.
worst Your brother cook I have ever met.
- Whenever I eat snails, I remember my first trip to Paris.
without I can't eat snails to Paris.
- The cake was too small so not everyone got a piece.
enough There wasn't everyone to have a piece.

Ex. D: Put either *by, at, about, or with* in the gaps in the following text. (10 marks)

Last night I went to a talk in the Technology Institute; the talk was given Anthony Parsons. It washis new book *Triumph and Tears*. The book isthe history of British motorcycles. He is a small plump man very bright eyes; his wife was sitting him on the stage, a motorcycle helmet on her knee. He said that although he doesn't like travelling high speed any more, he still enjoys riding his collection of old bikes. He said he started riding a motorbike on his father's farm the age of twelve. He said he doesn't normally travel bike now because he has a family and, in the winter low temperatures, biking can be very uncomfortable.

Ex. E: Put the verb into the correct form, *present simple (I do), present continuous (I am doing), past simple (I did) or past continuous (I was doing)*: (11 marks)

Example: I can go out now. It isn't raining (not/rain) any more.

1. What (you/do) in your spare time? Have you got any hobbies?
2. Mary usually (phone) me on Fridays but she (not/phone) last Friday.
3. A. When I last saw you, you (think) of moving to a new flat.
B. That's right, but in the end I (decide) to stay where I was.
4. Yesterday evening the phone (ring) three times while we (have) dinner.
5. When I first (tell) Tom the news, he (not/believe) me. He (think) that I (joke).

SECTION B - COMPREHENSION (25 marks)

Read the passage and answer the questions.

Franka wanted to grow her own monster. The rest of her family were brilliant scientists so surely she could make her own. Unfortunately the monster she makes soon looks like it is dead. Feeling rather disappointed, Franka leaves it in her empty fish tank and goes to bed for the night. Next morning she wakes up suddenly to find there is a face next to hers on the pillow.

I shot out of bed so fast I must have broken the sound barrier. When I opened my mouth and screamed no sound came out. **5**

I stood with my back to the window. I was trapped. It was between me and the door. The monster sat on the pillow and stared at me with its red eyes. It had changed again. It was now most horrible, grotesquely half human in shape. It had a domed head, but no hair, no nose, no ears. It had two eyes and a thin slit of a mouth, as if someone had drawn a line in soft clay with a knife, a thick body, short stumpy arms and legs. **10**

But no hands or feet. Its grey flesh had a greenish tinge. It looked absurdly like a very large jelly-baby. "Go away!" I shouted. My voice cracked and crackled in my throat like cornflakes. I stamped on the floor and shook my fist at it threateningly.

It scuttled off the bed, across the carpet and hid under the table. The lid had come off the aquarium and was lying on the floor, upside down. It crouched behind it, but it was too big. Its bottom stuck up in the air and it trembled. **15**

I took a step towards my door but my knees gave way and I collapsed on to the bed. I sat there, with my legs tucked under me, trying to recover my strength. I was afraid I was going to faint.

The monster peeped at me from behind the lid and ducked down again. It did *this* three times, and then, emboldened, perhaps because I did not move, it came out from behind its barrier, crawling on all fours like a baby. **20**

"Go away!" I shouted, waving my arms.

It scuttled back immediately, falling into the lid in its hurry, so that its stupid short legs stuck up into the air. I laughed.

I expect I was hysterical or mad. I can't think of any other reason why I didn't scream and run off from the room like any sane person would have done. I just sat on my bed and watched *it*. 25

It was playing now. It sat in the upside-down lid as if in a boat, and rocked backwards and forwards until the lid tilted too far and tumbled it onto the floor. It seemed to enjoy this for it did it several times.

Then it looked at me. Its eyes were very round and a clear light crimson. Quite a pretty colour, really. It began twisting its slit of a mouth in the most ridiculous manner. Once it even managed to twist it into a figure eight. I couldn't help laughing at it. It didn't seem to know what a mouth is for. It never opened it, not once. Perhaps it wasn't a proper mouth at all. 30

Now it stood up and started stretching its legs. I don't mean the way *we* stretch them, but like elastic. Its fat, short stumps grew longer and thinner until they couldn't bear the weight of its body and it fell down. Its legs shrank back to their previous size and it sat up and looked at them and then at me as if puzzled. I laughed again. 35

Someone knocked at my door.

"Don't come in!" I shouted, and the monster scuttled back under the table again and hid. It seemed surprisingly timid for a monster. 39

1. What does Franka do when she first sees the monster? _____

2. How does the monster try to hide itself when Franka tells it to go away?

3. In which ways does the monster look human and in which ways does it look inhuman?

4. What is the first thing that happens which makes Franka laugh? _____

5. What does Franka like about the monster's face? _____

6. How do you know that Franka is scared when she first sees the monster? _____

7. How do you know that the monster is scared when Franka shouts at it? _____

8. Why do you think Franka shouts "Don't come in!" when someone knocks on her door?

9. What do the following words refer to?

a. *I* (line 5) _____

b. *this* (line 19) _____

c. *it* (line 26) _____

d. *we* (line 33) _____

