I. READING (max. 20P)

Reading Part 1 (10)

Read the text and choose the correct answer **A**, **B**, **C** or **D** for each space. There is an example at the beginning:

(0) A for B to C at D about

The Master's Hand

Wishing (0) <u>B</u> motivate her young son to get better at playing the piano, a mother took her small boy to a concert of the famous pianist, Paderewski. After they were seated, the mother saw a friend in the audience and walked down the aisle to greet her. Taking the opportunity to explore the wonders of the concert hall, the little boy rose and eventually made his way through a door with a sign saying "No Admittance."

When the lights were turned off and the concert was about to begin, the mother returned to her seat and realized that her son was missing. At the same time, the curtains lifted and the spotlights focused on the impressive Steinway piano on stage.

In horror, the mother saw her little boy sitting at the keyboard. Innocently, he then began to play a simple melody called *Chopsticks*. The crowd reacted with anger, some people shouted: "Take the boy away!"

When Paderewski heard the uproar backstage, he grabbed his coat and rushed to the stage. Realizing what was going on, he went to the piano. The master reached around the little boy from behind and began to improvise a countermelody to *Chopsticks*. As the two of them played together, Paderewski kept whispering in the boy's ear, "Keep going. Don't quit, son... don't stop... don't stop." Together, the old master and the little boy turned an embarrassing situation into a wonderfully creative experience. The people were amazed.

1) A	a piano	В	piano	C	on piano	D	<mark>the piano</mark>
2) A	obligation	В	opportunity	C	option	D	opinion
3) A	says	В	would say	C	<mark>saying</mark>	D	said
4) A	less	В	off	C	under	D	in
5) A	<mark>impressive</mark>	В	impressed	C	impression	D	impressing
6) A	for	В	to	C	<mark>at</mark>	D	on
7) A	will begin	В	has begun	C	<mark>began</mark>	D	beginning
8) A	where	В	when	C	why	D	<mark>what</mark>
9) A	each	В	who	C	both	D	<mark>them</mark>
10) A	expertise	В	exhibition	С	expectation	D	<mark>experience</mark>

Reading Part 2 (10)

Look at the text in each question. What does it say? Choose the best answer **A**, **B**, or **C**.

Question 1

No pets allowed on golf course

- A) You have to recycle your PET-bottle before you play golf.
- B) You can take a class here to learn how to play golf.
- C) You cannot bring your dog when you play golf.

Question 2

Infants' safety belts can be obtained from cabin crew.

- A) Baby belts must be checked by the crew.
- B) A cabin is available for the safety of the crew
- C) You need to ask a crew member for a baby belt.

Question 3

No admittance beyond this point

- A) You cannot get a ticket here.
- B) Going further is forbidden.
- C) This is the point of no return.

Question 4

Students please remember:

Essays are due September 15.

- A) Essays must be handed in before September 15
- B) Essays can be handed in until September 15.
- C) Essays can only be handed in on September 15.

Question 5

Cancellation of flight BA709 to London Heathrow. Passengers please report to transfer desk

- A) Passengers must inform the manager.
- B) Passengers must go to the transfer desk.
- C) Passengers should not go to Heathrow.

II. GRAMMAR (max. 60)

- 1. Write the questions to which the underlined words are an answer (7)
- 1. Megan was born in November.

When was Megan born?

2. Alicia collects stickers for fun.

Why does Alicia collect stickers? OR: What does Alicia collect stickers for?

3. Jim loves Emma.

Who does Jim love?

4. Marie is thinking about moving to London.

What is Marie thinking about?

5. Paris was like a dream come true.

What was Paris like?

6. It has rained in Georgia for 13 days.

How long has it rained (for) in Georgia?

7. Jill will borrow the money from her parents.

Who will Jill borrow the money from?

- 2. Complete the second sentence so that it means the same as the first. (12)
- 1. Jim walked into the house from the front and came out in the back.

Jim walked through the house.

2. This garden is full of flowers.

In this garden there are many flowers.

3. Because she is lazy she is can't find a job.

Finding a job is difficult if she/one/you is/are lazy.

4. 'Come and visit us sometime.'

He asked us to visit them sometime.

5. Why does our planet get warmer?

What is the reason for global warming?

6. Sammy normally went to school on foot.

As a child Sammy used to/would walk to school.

- 3. Complete the sentences with prepositions (6)
- Please meet me on top of the hill at sunset.
- 2. I will be there with you to listen to the wind and wait for the moonrise.
- 3. Choose the correct answer: A, B, or C (5)
- 1. Susan is taller than Eric.

A: then B: of C: than

2. Many people like chocolate.

A: Any B: Many C: A lot

3. Can I offer you some tea?

A: a few B: any C: some

4. You will find hardly any penguins on this island.

A: none B: any C: every

5. Is there a little sugar left?

A: a few B: a lot C: a little

6. I can't find my ticket anywhere.

A: somewhere B: nowhere C: anywhere

- 5. Fill in the correct form of the verb, present simple or present continuous. (6)
- 1. John is reading a really good book these days.
- 2. Fish live in the water. → Singular would have to read: A fish lives...
- 3. Cats don't like water.
- 4. The band are/is playing at the theatre tomorrow evening.
- 5. The Queen is speaking to the people right now.
- 6. The sun rises in the morning.

6. Fill in the correct form of the verb, past simple or past continuous. (6)

- 1. By the time the firemen arrived the house was burning seriously.
- 2. She worked in London, but she didn't live in the city.
- 3. While Joseph was setting the table, Mary was making supper.

7. Use the words in brackets and fill in the correct verb form, past or present perfect. (10)

- 1. Apollo 13 never landed on the moon.
- 2. Roland has been a teacher since 1997.
- 3. The children have just finished doing their homework.
- 4. Exactly this time a year ago I was travelling through Australia.
- 5. He has been working / has worked on his novel for many years.
- 6. His novel was published last month.
- 7. Since he was a child, he has enjoyed baking. That's why he became a baker.
- 8. Noah built the ark(=Arche).

8. Write the past tense and past participle of these verbs (8)

cut	cut	cut → both forms right = 1p (\underline{No} ½ points!)
think	thought	thought
feel	felt	felt
swim	swam	swum
break	broke	broken
strike	struck	struck
forget	forgot	forgotten
begin	began	begun

III. WRITING (max. 20)

Corrections: Please award points as follows, either 20, 16, 12, 8, 4, or 0 Write your text about a special present that somebody gave to you. Describe the present and explain why you like it.							
A Special Present							