## LISTENING COMPREHENSION (THE FIRST TERM)

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## DATE NAME <br> 1. Read the text and choose the correct word ( $\mathrm{A}, \mathrm{B}, \mathrm{C}$ or D ) for each blank. MOTHER TERESA

Mother Teresa of Calcutta has often been described as a saint. She devoted her whole life to
(1) work, looking after the poor and the sick. Mother Teresa was born in 1910 in what is now Macedonia. From the age of 12, she said she knew that she wanted to (2) her life to helping people. After her schooling and training, she went to Calcutta in India where she would become (3) for her good work.

While teaching in a school, she felt a strong desire to do more to help the sick and dying people in Calcutta. In 1952 she set up a centre for the terminally ill. She wanted these people to have the best quality care in their last days. Her work in spired many people and her organisation grew and grew. Originally she had twelve women working for her, but
(4) the year 2000, there were more than 4,000 people working for the organisation running schools, orphanages and homes for the sick and poor all over the world. Even people who did not agree with all of her views could admire all of the good that she did.

In 1979, she was
(5) the Nobel Peace Prize and when she died, aged 87, the French President, Jacques Chirac, said what many people were thinking: 'This evening there is less love, less compassion, less light in the world'.

|  | A | B | C | D |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\mathbf{1 )}$ | donation | assistance | charity | refugee |
| 2) | dedicate | donate | dictate | develop |
| 3) | famous | confident | visionary | outspoken |
| 4) | for | about | by | until |
| 5) | made | rewarded | awarded | presented |

2. Read the text and do the tasks that follow. Tick (V) the correct variant.

The economic activities of people are changing the climate of our planet day after day. As the result of burning a lot of fuel and cutting down forests the concentration of harmful gases is growing fast. They (1) let the sunlight go to the Earth but they prevent (2) heat from coming up from the ground. So, more and more heat stays in the atmosphere. This is known as the green-house effect. Russian (3) and American scientists say that if nothing changes the temperature will rise by two degrees by the year 2025. The latest scientific works show that if the temperature grows (4) by three or four degrees life on the Earth will be impossible. To stop this we must stop the companies that (5) cut down trees and start the production of nature-friendly cars.

1) 'they' (point 1) stands for ...
$\square$ a) gases
b) activities
$\square$ c) forest
$\square$ d) people
2) 'prevent' (point 2) means ...
$\square$ a) don't make
b) destroy
c) leave
d) stop
3) 'Russian' (point 3) is ...a) an adjective
b) an adverbc) a noun
d) a conjunction
4) 'grows' (point 4) means ...

a) gets bigger
b) gets stronger
$\square$ c) gets higher
d) gets faster
5) 'that' (point 5) stands for ...
$\square$ a) degrees $\square$ b) works
c) trees
d) companies

## READING

## 1. Read the text and choose the correct word ( $A, B, C$ or $D$ ) for each blank.

## FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE

Florence Nightingale is seen by many people as the $\qquad$ (1) of the nursing profession. Known as The Lady with the Lamp, she helped save the lives of thousands of sick and wounded soldiers. She was also a $\qquad$ (2) model for women who wanted careers.

Florence was born in 1820 in a wealthy British family. As she grew up she felt she had a special calling to help others. At the age of 33 she $\qquad$ (3) a hospital for women in London. Then in 1854, Britain and France went to war with Russia. Florence was asked to take care of soldiers, who were dying due to the terrible hospital $\qquad$ (4). She made the hospital a clean and organized place and wrote many angry letters to British military officials, demanding proper supplies. At night she would patrol the halls and corridors, holding her famous lamp. When she returned to England, she set up a training school for nurses. She was the first woman to receive the $\qquad$ (5) called the British Order of Merit.

|  | A | B | C | D |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1) | inventor | builder | beginner | founder |
| 2) | role | character | job | fashion |
| 3) | ran | worked | organised | owned |
| 4) | surroundings | conditions | lifestyles | guides |
| 5) | reward | bonus | profit | medal |

## 2. Read the text and do the tasks that follow. Tick (V) the correct variant.

It was two thousand years ago. Two Viking leaders were going with their men (1) to Ireland in two big boats. The first leader's name was O'Neill, the name of the other is not known to us. They (2) agreed that the first man who touched the Irish land would be the king of it. At last they were very near the Irish land. The two boats were going faster and faster. Unfortunately O'Neill's boat was not as fast (3) as the other one (4). And O'Neill had an idea. He wanted to be the king so much that, when the boats were very near the land, he quickly cut off his right hand and threw it over to the land. He became the king of Ireland because his hand was the first which touched the land. This story explains (5) why there is a red right hand on Irish soldiers' coats.

1) 'men' (point 1) means .....
$\square$ a) swimmers
c) soldiers
2) 'they' (point 2) stands for .....
$\square$ a) the two Vikings' boats
c) the two Viking leaders
$\square$ b) the Irish lands
b) Vikings
$\square$ d) children
$\square$ d) two thousand years
3) 'fast' (point 3) is .....a) an adverb $\square$ b) a noun
$\square$ c) a verb
$\square$ d) an adjective
4) 'one' (point 4) stands for ...
$\square$ a) boat b) land
$\square$ c) leader
d) king
5) 'explains' (point 5) means .....
$\square$ a) understands
b) tells
c) knows
d) suggests

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| WRITING (THE FIRST TERM) |  |
|  | VARIANT 1 |
| 1. Write an essay expressing your opinion on the subject 'Computers have made our lives a lot easier' and giving reasons for your point of view ( $\mathbf{7 0}$ — 90 words), include the following information: |  |
| - to communicate quickly, cheaply, easily; - to visit online shops; |  |
| - to rely on computers in every area of our lives; | - to make people anti-social; |
| - not to move from computer screen. |  |

2. Complete the dialogues.1)
A: Hi, Jane! Thank goodness, you're here. You're not alone. (1)
$\qquad$B: Yes, I am. Marta said she'd meet us here.
A: Oh, (2)
B: Well, she said she would be here at about six o'clock.
A: That's a little late, (3) ..... ?
B: Yes, it is. I told her but she never pays attention.
A: Anyway, I hope she's not late because I don't want to miss our flight.
B: We don't have to worry any more. That's her over there. (4) ..... ?
A: Yes, it is. Hey, Marta, over here!
2) 

A: Paul, you don't look too good. (5) ..... ?
B: I've got a splitting headache.
A: Oh dear. (6) ..... aspirin?
B: No, I haven't. I never do because aspirins ruin my stomach.
A: I see. (7)go home then and get some sleep?
B: I think that's exactly what I'll do.

1. Write an essay expressing your opinion on the subject 'Mobile phones made our lives a lot easier' and giving reasons for your point of view ( $\mathbf{7 0}-\mathbf{9 0}$ words). Include the following information:

- to keep in touch with friends and family quickly; - to worry about missing calls;.
- to contact people at any time of the day;
- to use in emergency situations;
- to irritate people around.

2. Complete the dialogues. 1)
A: Hi, Susan!
B: Hi! Sorry I'm late. (1) ..... long?
A: Not very long. I arrived ten minutes ago.
B: Where's Amy? She's coming with us, (2) ..... ?
A: Oh yes. I hope she gets here on time. ..... taxi?
A: I don't think so. She said she would catch the bus.
B: Oh, there she is. That's her in the blue dress. (4) ..... ?
A: That's right.
2) 

A: Brian, you don't look very well. (5)
$\qquad$B: I've got a stomachache.
A: Oh dear. I think, (6) home and rest.
B: I think that's what I'll do. (7) ..... Mr Smith that
I've taken the rest of the day off?
A: Of course I will. Don't you worry.

## SPEAKING (THE FIRST TERM)

1. You and your friends have won a fantastic holiday this summer.

Discuss the information about each holiday below.
Then decide where you want to go and why.

| Sea cruise | Scuba-diving |
| :--- | :--- |
| six days | ten days |
| spacious, comfortable ship | three-star hotel |
| three meals a day | meals at the hotel restaurant |
| swimming pool | a free local coach |
| all-night discos | rent-a-boat service |
| many unknown people | wonderful undersea world |
| a lot of noise | long distance |
| sea-sickness | high level of risk |

2. Describe a funny situation which you have recently experienced.

## Tell about the following:

- what happened;
- where it happened;
- what the people did;
- how the people reacted to it;
- what the consequences of this incident were.
- when it happened;
- who was there;
- what was funny about the situation;
- how it ended;

3. Describe our country's most important holiday resort. Tell about the following:

- location;
- shopping;
— nightlife / restaurants;


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| Car adventure | Beach holiday |
| :--- | :--- |
| two weeks | three weeks |
| wooden huts | self-catering flats |
| take own food and drink | only breakfast and dinners |
| clear rivers and lakes | two excursions to famous places of interest |
| radio, personal stereo | rent-a-car service |
| you and your friend | high temperature |
| bad weather | many insects |

2. Describe the school of the future. Tell about the following things:

- look of the school-building, its size, colour, number of floors, number of classrooms;
- its location and facilities; - subjects taught and timetable;
- other activities;
- number and 'type' of teachers and students;
- school transport;
- use of computers and information technologies;
- class and home assignments;
- arguments for and against attending classes in this school.

3. Ask your friend:

- if he/she has travelled abroad;
- what he/she knows about their history;
- what places he/she has visited;
- what he/she saw there; - what he/she liked.

