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ENGLISH LANGUAGE ASSESSMENT TEST

***PLEASE DO NOT WRITE ON THE SHEETS
USE THE ANSWER SHEET
WHICH YOU HAVE RECEIVED SEPARATELY***

Maximum time allowed: 60 minutes

DICTIONARIES MAY NOT BE USED

SECTION 1

Read the following passage. Then choose the best answer or explanation:

For me being a teenager today is a good experience: I come from a good home, have nice parents, a nice house to live in, my own room and a sister to talk to. The area I live in has many facilities for people of my age; there is the “Ice Bowl”, a new skating rink, and in Chatham, the nearest town to us, there are three swimming pools and the Regency (the local disco).

My life is centred around eating, sleeping, school, ice-skating and boys. In a way you could say that my friends and I are blissfully unaware of our world, despite the fact that we live in it. Every day we wake up and it’s there, so we ignore it. At thirteen, I suppose that’s acceptable. We don’t have much to worry about. No “O” levels or “A” levels for years yet. No hunting for jobs. The real teenager of sixteen or seventeen isn’t really a teenager for much longer; if they can’t find a job, they have all the responsibilities of adulthood launched on them.

1. The writer is very fond of
 - A. ice-creams.
 - B. books.
 - C. leisure activities.
 - D. hunting.

2. The writer is
 - A. thirteen.
 - B. younger than thirteen.
 - C. seventeen.
 - D. sixteen.

3. The writer
 - A. lives in Chatham.
 - B. has a horrible family.
 - C. has a brother and a sister.
 - D. Is happy with life.

4. The writer
 - A. is looking for a job.
 - B. ignores the world she lives in.
 - C. has no interests outside school.
 - D. loves money.

5. It never rains here in July.
 - A. Saying people’s jobs.
 - B. Talking about a past event.
 - C. Introducing people.
 - D. Talking about the weather.

6. I met Tom at the disco yesterday.
 - A. Making plans.
 - B. Introducing people.
 - C. Talking about the weather.
 - D. Talking about a past event.

SECTION 3

Choose the correct sentence for each situation:

13. You're in England and you need to change some money. What do you say to somebody you stop on the way?
- A. Excuse me, is there a bank near here?
 - B. Where's a bank?
 - C. Tell me where a bank is.
 - D. Have you got any pounds?
14. Your English teacher has come to visit you. Offer him something to drink.
- A. Do you like coffee?
 - B. Would you like some coffee?
 - C. You like coffee!
 - D. You want coffee?
15. What do you say to a friend of yours when you want to use his/her toilet?
- A. Where is the toilet?
 - B. Can I use your toilet?
 - C. Would you mind my using your toilet?
 - D. Do you allow me to use your toilet?
16. You and your friends are making plans for Saturday evening.
- A. Is that the disco?
 - B. I think they went to the disco.
 - C. What about going to the disco?
 - D. Yes, please.

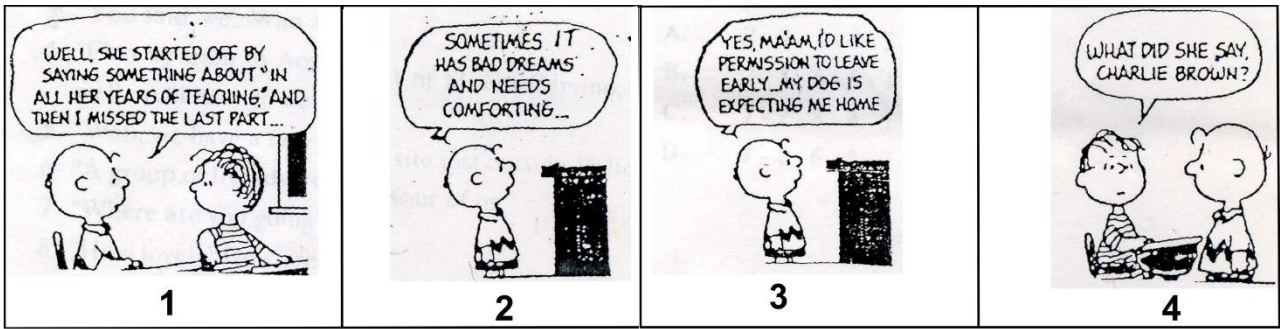
SECTION 4

Choose the correct word:

17. What's your ? I'm an actor.
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| A. work | C. home |
| B. job | D. house |
18. What do you do in summer? I go to the
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| A. home | C. sea |
| B. house | D. seaside |
19. Yesterday the was awful. It rained all day.
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| A. time | C. soup |
| B. weather | D. soap |
20. I left my book at Can you give me yours, please?
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| A. parents | C. home |
| B. relatives | D. house |

SECTION 5

21. The four cartoons below belong to the same strip, but they are **not in the correct order**:



Choose among the following sequences that which represent the **correct order** of the strip above:

- A. 3 - 4 - 1 - 2
- B. 4 - 1 - 2 - 3
- C. 3 - 2 - 4 - 1
- D. 1 - 4 - 2 - 3

22. The following passage has been divided in eight parts which are reported in a **scrambled order**:

1. "It's a very long journey! And where are you going to stay?"
2. "In the Alps. Not far from Ortisei."
3. "You said 'we': who are you going with?"
4. "First by train to Bolzano, then by coach to Ortisei, then... Oh well, we'll have to walk the last five kilometres."
5. "Well, we have a new tent. There's a nice camping site just outside Selva Valgardena."
6. "A group of friends from the school. There will be four of us."
7. "Where are you going to spend your holidays?"
8. "How lovely! How are you going to get there?"

Choose among the following sequences that which represent the **correct order** of the passage above:

- A. 7 - 4 - 1 - 8 - 5 - 2 - 6 - 3
- B. 7 - 3 - 5 - 6 - 1 - 2 - 8 - 4
- C. 7 - 2 - 8 - 4 - 1 - 5 - 3 - 6
- D. 7 - 1 - 6 - 8 - 2 - 5 - 4 - 3

SECTION 6

Read the following interview to the singer Phil Collins. Then decide if the sentences below are either TRUE or FALSE:

- *“...But Seriously” is your fourth solo album. Does this mean that Genesis are finished?*
- *No, not at all. Next year we’re going to make an album together. But we like to do things independently, too.*
- *You made a film last year. Are you going to make another one?*
- *I hope so! I think I’m a good actor.*
- *Was that your first experience as an actor?*
- *No. In 1968, when I was 17, I was in the musical “Oliver”. I also appeared on television once, in “Miami Vice”.*
- *When did you join the Genesis?*
- *In 1969, answering an advertisement for a drummer.*
- *When did you become the group’s lead singer?*
- *In 1975, when Peter Gabriel left the group.*
- *What about your private life?*
- *Well, I’m married and I have two children. I spend all my free time with my family and working in my garden like a good Englishman! I also like to collect game machines and juke-boxes from the 50’s.*

23. “...But Seriously” is his first independent album.
A. True B. False
24. He doesn’t like to act in films.
A. True B. False
25. Peter Gabriel left Genesis because Phil Collins was the group’s singer.
A. True B. False
26. Phil Collins doesn’t like to spend time with his family.
A. True B. False
27. Phil Collins appeared in a musical, when he was a teenager.
A. True B. False
28. Phil Collins has never acted on television.
A. True B. False
29. He started with Genesis as a drummer.
A. True B. False
30. Phil Collins is American.
A. True B. False

SECTION 13

Complete the sentences choosing the correct tense:

61. Where yesterday?
A. he went
B. he did go
C. did he go
D. he didn't go
62. Who a new car?
A. he bought
B. bought
C. did he buy
D. has he bought
63. What at Tom's party?
A. happen
B. did happen
C. happened
D. did you happen
64. Paul breakfast every morning.
A. doesn't have
B. don't have
C. hasn't
D. haven't

SEZIONE XIII

Complete the sentences choosing the correct tense:

65. Every night I my teeth before going to bed.
A. brush
B. am brushing
C. am brushed
D. brushes
66. I some coffee. Would you like a cup?
A. make
B. don't make
C. am making
D. are making
67. That writer here from 1882 to 1885.
A. lives
B. has lived
C. lived
D. is living
68. We our homework.
A. would already do
B. will already do
C. already do
D. have already done

END OF THE TEST