

SECTION I. THE ASSESSMENT OF COMMUNICATIVE COMPETENCE (30 points)

Read the text and do the tasks below the text.

Good Advice

1	What are you going to do when you leave school? What do you want to be when you grow up? If you do not know the answer, you are not alone. Career advisers often tell students to choose school subjects and part-time job options that they feel passionate about. Is this good advice? According to many successful business people, it is!
5	Passion is very important when you enter the world of work. If you do something that you love, you are going to do it better. At work, passionate people are more creative and determined. They are more motivated when they deal with a problem. According to <i>Harvard Business Review</i> , people who work every day towards their passion, even if just for 15 minutes, feel much happier and more pleased.
10	A recent study in the USA looked at lawyers. It showed that public lawyers, the ones who represent poor people, were much happier than well-paid lawyers in big companies, even though they earned much less money. Moreover, they said that they liked the job they were doing. Does this mean that money is not important? Of course not! You are still going to need enough money for food and a house.
15	However, money cannot be your only goal. People who work only for money often say they are going to earn a lot while they are young, and then they are going to <i>retire</i> early to have more time to follow their passions. But this rarely happens. Instead, they waste their lives in jobs they just do not need.
20	According to the founder of <i>The Work Revolution</i> , Tom McDermott, more than 95% of people do not do the job they are good at. Tom's organisation wants to encourage everybody to find the job that suits them best. Tom was inspired by Albert Einstein's famous quote: 'I have no special talents, I am only passionately curious.' He believes we can all have incredibly exciting careers, like Einstein, but we need to find the job we are good at and we are passionately curious about.
25	If you are not sure what your passion is, ask yourself these questions: which school subjects do you find easier? What do you really love doing? Do you want to become a lawyer, a scientist, a businessperson or a footballer one day? The advice is simple: find your passion, then go for it!

No	Item	Score	
1.	Answer the following questions according to the text. (Total: 6 points) a) According to the text, what do career advisers often tell students to do? _____ _____ _____	A 0 1 2	A 0 1 2
	b) According to <i>Harvard Business Review</i> , why do some people feel much happier and pleased at work? _____ _____ _____	A 0 1 2	A 0 1 2
	c) According to the text, what does the organization founded by Tom McDermott aim at? _____ _____ _____	A 0 1 2	A 0 1 2
2.	Circle the correct answer according to the text. (Total: 4 points) 1. According to the writer, public lawyers a. represent rich people. b. earn more money. c. are more satisfied. d. do not like their job. 2. The word <i>retire</i> in line 16 is closest in meaning to a. leave your job because of old age; b. go to bed because you are tired; c. leave school when you are 18; d. start your career.	A 0 2 A 0 2	A 0 2 A 0 2
3.	Based on the text, write if the sentences are <i>True</i> or <i>False</i>. Justify your choice. (Total: 6 points) a) According to the text, money is not important when people do the job they like. _____ because _____ _____ _____ b) According to Tom McDermott, few people do the job that suits them. _____ because _____ _____ _____	A 0 1 3 A 0 1 3	A 0 1 3 A 0 1 3
4.	Find in the text the synonyms for the words given below. (Total: 4 points) a) to select - _____ b) an aim - _____	A 0 2 4	A 0 2 4
5.	Give another title to the text. (Total: 2 points) _____ _____	A 0 1 2	A 0 1 2

6.	Explain the message of the text in 35-40 words. (Total: 8 points)	A	A
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SECTION II. THE ASSESSMENT OF LINGUISTIC COMPETENCE (20 points)

Fill in the gaps with the correct form of the word or with the correct form of the verb in brackets.

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1-10	Two years ago, I (<i>was going/had been going/went</i>) _____ on an exchange programme to Italy and it turned out to be (<i>best/better than/the best</i>) _____ year of my life. I started to read about Italy when I was at primary school because I was interested (<i>to/in/of</i>) _____ gladiators and Ancient Rome. There was an exchange programme at my school and I was really excited (<i>learning/to learn/learn</i>) _____ that I had qualified for it. Of course, it wasn't easy. (<i>It/These/There</i>) _____ took me one year of study before I passed the exam that showed that my Italian was (<i>enough good/good enough/enough well</i>) _____ for me to go to school there. I also managed to convince my parents that a year abroad was worth the money, saying that the experience (<i>will look/would look/is going to look</i>) _____ good on my university application. Finally, I was on my way. At first, I felt a little homesick because there were so many differences in (<i>people'/people's/peoples's</i>) _____ behaviour. Everyone seemed nice and friendly, and I am a rather shy person. Yet, they were all really warm and welcoming and I made a lot of friends very quickly. I am still in touch with them today, and so far I (<i>will learn/have learned/learn</i>) _____ a lot about myself and the culture that is (<i>such/so/as</i>) _____ different from mine.	A	A
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SECTION III. THE ASSESSMENT OF CULTURAL AND PRAGMATIC COMPETENCES
(20 points)

Write a 75-80-word coherent text responding to the situation below.

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1.	Your school website has asked you to write about the capital city of an English-speaking country that you would like to visit. Describe it and explain <i>your</i> choice.	0	0
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SECTION IV. THE ASSESSMENT OF PRAGMATIC AND CIVIC COMPETENCES

(30 points)

Write a 180-200-word coherent text expressing your attitude on the given topic.

1.	Some people think that such technological devices as smartphones, tablets and computers bring a lot of advantages. Others believe that they do a lot of harm. What is your point of view? Justify <i>your</i> opinion. Present two examples. Use the following plan: · introduction; · body; · conclusion.	0	0
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