

3. This **demonstrates** his ignorance of the situation.

A. conceals	C. entitles
B. shows	D. cultivates

4. The hotel has only one **vacant** room left.

A. full	C. double
B. empty	D. exclusive

5. Have you got enough **evidence** of his guilt to accuse him?

A. witnesses	C. support
B. proof	D. picture

6. He will try to **convince** the customers of the advantages of his product.

A. persuade	C. believe
B. suggest	D. dissuade

7. It is **absolutely** impossible for me to go.

A. seldom	C. completely
B. partly	D. consequently

8. His position was **contrary** to that of the manager's.

A. opposite	C. similar
B. foreseeable	D. identical

9. He had to **augment** his salary by taking another job.

A. withdraw	C. adapt
B. accept	D. increase

10. How does one **abbreviate** the word "Minnesota"?

A. shorten	C. pronounce
B. spell	D. write

The Planet is Getting Warmer

As we all know the climate of the planet is changing. Years ago we weren't sure about this, but today we know it is really happening. In the north, the winter comes later, the spring comes earlier and the ice is slowly disappearing, while in the south there are more hurricanes and floods than ever before. In Europe, ice in the Alps is melting and there are unusual sudden storms.

Experts say that over the past twenty five years, the Earth has become warmer and this is the result of things the humans have done. Some of the statistics are quite shocking. Did you know for example that 1998 was the warmest year in the warmest decade in the warmest century of the millennium? Or that Siberia became 5 degrees Celsius warmer at the end of the twentieth century? Buildings have even fallen down because of this. The news is particularly bad for people in very hot regions. If the climate continues to change in the same way temperatures will go up dramatically in these places. In the year 2020, we can expect summer temperatures of 50 degrees Celsius in the hotter countries of the world.

If the temperatures increase much more, there will be less water in many parts of the world. This means that deserts will get bigger and rivers will become smaller. If there is less water in the rivers of the world farmers will face many problems and many people unfortunately, will have little or nothing to eat.

It will be very difficult to slow down or even stop these changes. Unless we all take the problem seriously, it will be too late to do anything about it.

EXERCISE TWO (15 marks)

Read the above passage and choose the correct answer.

1. The climate is changing _____
 - A. all over the world.
 - B. mostly in the north.
 - C. mostly in the south.

2. What has happened over the last twenty-five years? _____
 - A. We have seen some surprising statistics.
 - B. The temperature has gone up.
 - C. The temperature has gone down.

3. What do we learn about 1998? _____
 - A. It was the warmest year in the last ten years only.
 - B. It was the warmest year in history.
 - C. It was the warmest year in the last thousand years.

4. If temperatures rise _____
 - A. deserts will become smaller and rivers will become bigger.
 - B. deserts will become bigger and rivers will become smaller.
 - C. farmers will not face so many problems.

5. Why will it be very difficult to solve this environmental problem? _____
 - A. Because everybody needs to take it seriously.
 - B. Because it is too late now.
 - C. Because the environmental changes cannot slow down.

SECTION THREE (25 marks)

TRANSLATION

Read the passage and translate it into Greek.

In physics, energy is a property of objects which can be transferred to other objects or converted into different forms, but cannot be created or destroyed. The "ability of a system to perform work" is a common description, but it is difficult to give one single comprehensive definition of energy because of its many forms. There are many other definitions of energy, depending on the context, such as thermal energy, radiant energy, electromagnetic and nuclear energy.

SECTION FOUR (25 marks)

LETTER WRITING

Write the following letter in the appropriate style using 120 words.

You have seen an advertisement in the newspaper for the position of manager at a local engineering company. Write a letter of application giving information about yourself, your qualifications and previous experience, as well as explaining why you would be suitable for the job.