



Entrance Exam 2010-2011

English

Duration: 1h
July 3, 2010

Part I: Reading

A- Read the following text, and write the word or phrase which best fits each space. (Score 3)

Intelligence

Today youngsters are doing so much better than their parents. Of course, better nutrition, (high) standards of living and improved education, _____ play their part in raising general levels of intelligence. But there seems to be more to it than that. Scientists are attributing the change in intelligence levels to the (complex) of modern life. In today's fast moving world, young people are required to interact constantly with exposed minds to an (increase) complex and visual world, a world far more simulating than previous generations lived _____. Computers are one of the major sources of simulation, and activities _____ playing games and using the Internet seem to be particularly important, _____ some researches think that violence in some games (courage) youngsters to be aggressive, have anti-social behavior, develop addiction and never learn to think (dependent).

Nowadays youngsters are better _____ abstract thinking than their ancestors were, but their verbal and (math) abilities have remained _____ as those of previous generations. Nevertheless, during the last few years there has been a general upward trend, and it has been found that the present generations have IQs about 15 points above their parents.

B- Refer to the text and put the words between brackets in the correct form. (Score 3)

C- Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first, using the words between brackets. (Score 4)

- 1- Violence in some games develop addiction. (Developed)
Addiction _____.
- 2- Why didn't they tell me about the changes? (Should)
I _____.
- 3- I prefer watching football to playing it. (Rather)
I _____.
- 4- Sami regrets not writing earlier. (Wishes)
Sami _____.



D- Use the given words and phrases to form meaningful sentences. (Score 2)

- 1- parents, miss, plane/take, taxi. (Despite)
- 2- buy, big, house/cost. (no matter)
- 3- you, try, little, harder/fail, in, last test. (if)
- 4- the students, go skiing/the weather, bad. (although)
- 5-

Part II: Writing (120-150 words) (Score 8)

What modern technological device do you find hard to live without? Why?



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A- (Score 3)

1- All/which 2- in 3- such as 4- although 5- at 6- the same

B- (Score 3)

1- higher 2- complexity 3- increasingly 4- encourage
5- independently 6- mathematical

C- (Score 4)

- 1- Addiction is developed by violence in some games.
- 2- I should have been told about the change.
- 3- I would rather watch football than play it.
- 4- Sami wishes he had written earlier.

D- (Score 2)

- 1- Despite taking a taxi, my parents missed the plane.
- 2- I will buy a big house no matter how much it costs.
- 3- If you had tried a little harder, you wouldn't have failed the test.
- 4- The students went skiing although the weather was bad.

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