Grammar Section: ................../20

A- Use the verbs at right in the present simple. You have to decide if the verb is positive or negative. (4 pts)


2. We live quite close to the school, so the children ...........................................(walk) there.

3. I’ve got my sports kit a bit dirty. This shirt ...........................................(need) a good wash.

4. I’ve got four cats and two dogs. I .........................................................(love) animals.

5. What’s the matter? You .................................................................(look) very happy.

6. Don’t try to use that lamp. It ...........................................................(work).

7. I hate telephone answering machines. I ...........................................(like) talking to them.

8. Pamela is good at badminton. She ....................................................(win) every game.

B. Complete the conversation between two students called Duncan and Paul. Put in the present continuous or simple past of the verbs. (4 pts)

Duncan: are you waiting for someone?

Paul: Yes- for Neil. We walk home together most days. We ...........................................(live) in the same street.

Duncan: I’m not sure, but I .........................................................(think) he .........................................................(talk) to Mr Davis.

Paul: Yes, I ...........................................................(know) He told me. What about you?

What ..........................................................(you/do) here?

Duncan: I ...........................................................(look) for the secretary. I can’t find her anywhere.

Paul: She isn’t here today. She only ..................................................(work) two days a week.

Duncan: Oh, of course. I ..........................................................(waste) my time then.
C. Put in the past simple of these verbs: answer, come, have, know, leave, play, sleep and stay. Decide if the verb is positive or negative. (4 pts)

1. My watch was broken. I ..................................................... the time.

2. Clive couldn’t pay the bill. He ..................................................... his credit card.

3. The party wasn’t very good. We ..........................................after only half an hour.

4. I had a bad night. I ..................................................... very well.

5. Sophie was ill yesterday. She ..........................................................in bed all day.

6. You weren’t in very good form. You ..................................................... very well in that match.

7. The driver didn’t look. He ..................................................... straight out of a side street.

8. The questions were easy. I hope you ..................................................... them correctly.

D. Complete the letter. Put in the present perfect or past simple of the verbs. (3 pts)

I was angry and sad to hear that someone plans to knock down the White Horse Inn in Brickfield. This pub has been the centre of village life for centuries. It ......................................................(stand) at our crossroads for about 500 years. It ......................................................(be) famous in the old days, and Shakespeare once ......................................................

(stay) there, they say. I ......................................................(live) in Brickfield all my life, and I know all about it. We ......................................................(know) for some time of the danger to our pub. There ......................................................(be) some talk a year or two ago about knocking it down. But all the villagers are against the plan. We will stop it, you will see.

E. Put in the past continuous or past simple. (5 pts)

Kim: I hear the lights went out last night.

Charles: Yes, I was watching television at the time. The programme ......................................................(get) interesting, too. But, the electricity ......................................................(come) on again after about ten minutes.

I ......................................................(not/miss) very much of it.

Angela: Sara ......................................................(come) down the stairs when the lights went out. She almost ......................................................(fall) over.

Jessica: Tom and I ......................................................(play) Table tennis at the time.

Peter: I ......................................................(work) at my computer. When it ......................................................(happen), I ......................................................(stop) work and ......................................................(go) to bed.
Reading comprehension part: ............../20

When I walked into the office, Mrs. Gilpley, the bookkeeper, was putting on her coat. Tears were coming out of her eyes.

It was Friday, and I had been whistling. Tomorrow I would take a train to the shore. I’d be free until Monday.

But when I walked into the office, I stopped whistling. The door to Mr. Wylie’s office was partly opened. I knew he was at his desk.

“Good morning, Joe,” she said. It was Mrs. Gilpley. Nobody liked her. I had worked with her from September to April. I wasn’t exactly crazy about her. But she was good-hearted. And I felt I should find out why she was crying.

“Mrs. Gilpley,” I said, “what is the matter?” She pointed at Mr. Wylie’s office. Then, she put her finger to her lips. She didn’t want Mr. Wylie to hear. “Mrs. Gilpley,” I said, “you haven’t lost your job, have you?”

“I’ve resigned,” she said. “No, you haven’t,” I said. “you can’t fool me.”

Mrs. Gilpley had worked there for years. Her salary was $27.50 a week. They had taught me to do her work. My salary was $15 a week. So, Wylie was letting the lady go. He wanted to pay someone a smaller salary to do her work.

Well, I was pretty lucky to have a job. I felt fine in a new pair of shoes and a new hat. But I didn’t like the idea of making Mrs. Gilpley cry.

“Mrs. Gilpley”, I said, “I came in this morning to quit my job. I’ve got an uncle in Oregon who has opened a grocery store. I’m going to work for him. I’m not going to work in this company all my life.”

“Joe,” she said. You don’t have an uncle in Oregon.”

“You’d be surprised at all the uncles I’ve got,” I said. “I don’t need this, I can’t take your job. It isn’t right. You’ve been working here for twenty years or more.”

I walked into Mr. Wylie’s office. He was tall and mean. “Mr. Wylie,” I said, “I’m quitting my job.”

“What are you quitting for?” he asked.

“I’m not getting enough money,” I said.

“How much do you want?”

I was surprised. “I want $30 a week.”

“But you’re only eighteen,” he said. “you seem a little young to earn so much money. But maybe we can arrange it.”

If I had simply asked for a raise, it would have never worked. I thought about getting $30 a week. That would be enough to buy all the stuff I always wanted. I’d be able to buy a motorcycle...
1. Answer the following questions about the text in your own words.

Who are the characters in this story? Who is the main character? Justify your answer. (2 pts)

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What was the changing element in the story? (3 pts)

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How did the main character try to solve it? (3 pts)

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2. Find the words/expressions that have the same meaning of these words: (1 pt)

Crying: ............................................................................................................................................................

A gentle person: .............................................................................................................................................

Try to Know/understand: ...............................................................................................................................

Quit a job: .....................................................................................................................................................

3. Write the meanings of these words you’ve learnt: (1 pt)

Relatives: ........................................................................................................................................................

Wreck: ............................................................................................................................................................

Kinesthetic sense: ...........................................................................................................................................

Mystery: ..........................................................................................................................................................
Writing

Sheila is a 30-year-old mother. She lives in California with her two kids, Charles and May. Her husband has travelled to Mexico for work. One day, while she was coming picking her children from school, she couldn’t find one of them. In not more than 200 words, tell what happened from the beginning and how the problem was solved.

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