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TEENS FOUR EXAM

Paper 1 **(L)**
Time allowed: 2 hs

SECTION A: Reading comprehension
Read the text and mark the statements below as True (T) or False (F).

THE SELFIE CRAZE

Every time I log into social media nowadays I am greeted by the faces of my friends and public figures. They might be at an event, standing in front of an iconic landmark, eating something yummy, or showing off a new outfit or hair style. Increasingly these faces are being seen in selfie form.
The Oxford Dictionary, which chose "selfie" as its word of the year in 2013, defines a selfie as "a photograph that one has taken of oneself (typically one taken) with a smartphone or webcam and uploaded to a social media website". With the growing use of social media and recent technological developments it has never been easier to take a selfie and share it with anyone you want. In fact people are going to extreme lengths to take the "perfect selfie" by, for example, assembling large groups of people for one shot or, more worryingly, putting themselves in dangerous situations! For the individual there are many reasons why they chose to take it. They may be in a cool location (I can happily admit to posting many selfies from in front of the Eiffel Tower). They may be with friends or family. They may just be feeling really good about the way they look that day!
Whatever your opinion, it has recently become evident that the selfie craze can be used to do much good. It can be a great way to draw attention to serious issues as some people may be more likely to hear about something through an image popping up on their newsfeed rather than purposely looking for a news story. Recently, various UK charities have raised large amounts of money after being advertised by celebrities posing in selfies while holding notices explaining how to donate to charity. Similarly there has been a growing interest in people posting selfies to social media as a sort of advertisement for a charity. The aim is for those people to donate a small amount of money to the charity and encourage others to do the same. The selfie may have a theme such as the recent 'no make-up selfie' idea which raised millions of pounds for cancer research charities in the UK. Even if they do not donate money to the charity, they are making people learn about the disease!

(Adapted from http://learnenglishteens.britishcouncil.org)

1. The writer sees lots of selfies whenever he logs onto a social network. ____
2. The article states that some people even put their lives at risk to take the “perfect selfie”. ____
3. According to the writer selfies are only used to remember significant moments in one’s life. ____
4. Celebrity selfies can help collect money for charities. ____
5. When celebrities post selfies advertising certain social issues, charities are more likely to receive donations. ____

SECTON B: English in Use
I. Choose the most suitable alternative.

1. I didn’t _____ any grammar mistakes in the composition!
   a- do **b- make** **c- take**

2. Why don’t you _____ by a professional stylist?
   a- have cut your hair **b- have your hair cut** **c- cut your hair**

3. Twenty people _____ for the position of sales manager, but they only interviewed ten of them.
   a- employed **b- applied** **c- resigned**

4. That _____ Julia’s dog. Julia hates dogs! A dog bit her when she was four.
   a- might be **b- must be** **c- can’t be**

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5. In Japan, it is usual for women to _____ their careers when they get married.
a- give up **b- let down** **c- put away**

II - Fill in the blanks with the correct form of the verbs in brackets.

Mother's Day

Next Sunday – 30th March – is Mother's Day, also sometimes called "Mothering Sunday", in the United Kingdom. For many mothers and their children it is a very special day and one day of the year when we all remember _____ (thank) our mums for looking after us. Most countries in the world _____ (celebrate) Mother's Day around the middle of May but in the UK it is celebrated the Sunday three weeks before Easter.

Father's Day _____ (create) quite recently by businesses that want to make a lot of money by _____ (sell) cards and gifts for the occasion. As a result, it _____ (often/ describe) as being a very "commercial" holiday. Mothering Sunday, however, is a much older tradition. The Greeks and the Romans _____ (celebrate) Mother's Day and some say that it comes from the Bible.

In many families it is traditional _____ (give) a present to mothers or mother figures on Mother's Day: a bouquet of flowers or a small box of chocolates. Young children _____ (encourage) to make something – a small craftwork or painting – to give as a present. With older children and adults, it can be nice to take your mother out for lunch, or to have a day out together. This is good not just because you _____ (thank) her but because you are spending time with your mother.

We should celebrate and _____ (be) thankful to our mothers every day of the year but, unfortunately, we often forget in our busy and fast-paced lives. This is one day of the year when we must all say to our mothers: "Thank you for everything".

III. Rewrite the following sentences using the beginning provided.

1. It is a good idea for children to use the Internet for homework. **SHOULD**

Children _____.

2. I don't think people will stop writing with pens. **LIKELY**

People _____.

3. Mum won't let me go to the party if I don't tidy up my bedroom. **UNLESS**

Mum_____.

4. "How many people have commented on your video?" Mary asked me. **ME**

Mary asked _____.

5. We have used computers in my school since 2005. **BEEN**

Computers _____.

6. Canberra is the capital of Australia. It's smaller than Sydney and Melbourne. **WHICH**

Canberra, _____.

7. My brother doesn't go to bed early so he is tired all the time. **BE**

If my brother _____.

8. He doesn't like big cities. However, he's moving to London next month. **DOESN'T**

Although _____.

9. It's not necessary to wear a helmet if you want to go bungee jumping. **HAVE**

You _____.

10. "We're planning to watch a basketball game on Saturday," they said. **THEY**

They said _____.

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SECTION C: Writing
Choose **one** of the following tasks. Write between 100-120 words.

1. You have decided to enter a short story competition. The competition rules say that your story **must begin** with the following sentences:

I was having a coke with some friends when I saw Steve watching me through the window.

Write your **story.**

2. Here's part of an e-mail you have received from a friend.

Hi!
How's life? I have been having some trouble with my parents. They do not let me cycle to school alone. They say that the streets are not safe and that I am not old enough yet. What do you think? What is the right age to cycle to school alone? Is it the same for you in your country? What should I tell my parents?
Write back soon,

Sue

Write an e-mail, answering Sue's questions.

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