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English

Instructions :
✓ Dictionaries are not authorized
✓ Read attentively and answer all the questions
✓ Check to see that you have 6 pages in the exam
✓ Time allowed: 60 minutes

Written exam points obtained (max. 70 points)

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The Ancient Islands of Orkney

Paragraph 1 – Off the north coast of Scotland, there are seventy islands which form the Orkney Islands. Some are no more than tiny rocks with just sheep and sea birds on them; only sixteen have human populations. Apart from Rousey and Hoy, the islands are low-lying and good for farming. Although tourism is now the main industry, farming is still as important to island life as it was thousands of years ago. People have farmed here for more than 4,500 years and you can still see parts of a village from that time on the biggest island, which is called the Mainland. The strange stone box beds that are left show us that the inhabitants used to sleep sitting up rather than lying down!

Things to do

Paragraph 2 – The Orkney Islands are great for walking and one of the best places in the British Isles for water sports. There are seven lochs, or lakes, to fish in and excellent sea fishing. The capital of the islands is the beautiful old town of Kirkwall, where there are shops offering special varieties of cheese and fish. The fishing port of Stromness has a museum, three bookshops and an Arts Centre, which has a good collection of late twentieth-century art. In the harbor there are plenty of fishing boats to see, although the boats no longer catch whales as they once did. Every year there is an Arts Festival in June, which has music, drama, dance, poetry and exhibitions of paintings.

Paragraph 3 – It is best to spend most of your time in the Orkney Islands on the mainland, as there is so much to see and do. However, you can also visit one or two of the other islands such as the island of Hoy, which is particularly famous for its high cliffs. Taxis are available to drive you round Hoy, but you will need to walk up to the top of the cliffs. When tourists reach the cliff edge, particularly in bad weather, they find the safest way to see the view is by lying down on their stomachs!

How to get there

Paragraph 4 – British Airways Express flies to Kirkwall daily (except Sundays) from Glasgow and Edinburgh, and there are connecting services with London Heathrow. There is a ferry every day from Scrabster and weekly ferries from Aberdeen.

Where to stay

Paragraph 5 – There are many excellent hotels and inns to choose from. Most do very good fish dishes in their restaurants. The Stromness Hotel also offers seven nights from £199 during the Arts Festival and the price includes a meal before or after the concerts.
1 Reading comprehension – Read the text and answer the questions below. _______ / 25 PTS

a) Mark the sentences True or False

1. Some of the islands are home to animals rather than people True □ False □
2. Farming on the Orkney Islands has increased in importance over the years True □ False □
3. There are some ruins on one of the islands True □ False □
4. There is an Arts Centre in the capital of the Orkney Islands True □ False □
5. If you go to the Arts Centre, you can see some examples of modern art True □ False □
6. The fishing industry has changed what it catches True □ False □
7. To get the most from an Orkney holiday, it is necessary to go to several islands True □ False □
8. A taxi can get you to all the tourist places on Hoy True □ False □
9. It can be dangerous to walk on the top of the cliffs. True □ False □
10. You can fly directly from London Heathrow to Kirkwall True □ False □
11. You can eat good food in the hotels. True □ False □
12. One hotel includes tickets for the Arts Festival in its price True □ False □

b) Choose one word from the text that means the same as the following _______ / 10 pts

Example: a man over 20 years old. Answer: an adult

1. animal with a thick woolly coat .................................. (paragraph 1)
2. population, residents .............................................. (paragraph 1)
3. port, dock, waterfront, marina .................................. (paragraph 2)
4. play, stage show, theatre .......................................... (paragraph 2)
5. act of showing something in public ............................. (paragraph 2)
6. precipice, rock face ................................................. (paragraph 3)
7. well-known, celebrated, illustrious ............................. (paragraph 3)
8. present, ready for use .............................................. (paragraph 3)
9. every day, day by day ............................................... (paragraph 4)
10. house in the country where people rent a room or eat ............................................... (paragraph 5)


c) Answer the questions with information from the text. _______ / 3 pts

1. Where are the islands of Orkney situated?

2. What is the local word used for lakes on the Orkney islands?

3. How many times a week can you get to Kirkwall from Aberdeen?
2 Grammar – Circle the correct answer. _____ / 45

a) Circle the correct answer. ...... / 20 pts

1. A: “Did you go to Jane’s birthday party last weekend?”  B: “Yes, ............ .”
   a) you did  b) I did  c) I do  d) I go

2. I am ____________ in mathematics. It’s my favourite subject.
   a) interesting  b) interested  c) interest  d) to interest

3. Mary doesn’t have a car, so tonight she’s driving ____________ .
   a) her parent’s car  b) their parents’ car  c) the car’s parents  d) her parents’ car

4. The Mont-Blanc is ____________ the Matterhorn.
   a) more higher as  b) higher than  c) more higher than  d) higher as

5. His girlfriend is waiting for him ____________ the station.
   a) to  b) at  c) of  d) on

6. ____________ a very good film on TV tonight.
   a) There are  b) It has  c) There is  d) They are

7. Ferrari is very famous for their ____________ .
   a) red cars  b) reds cars  c) reds car  d) red car

8. A: “Can I speak to Jimmy?”  B: “I’m sorry, he ____________ a shower at the moment.”
   a) have  b) has  c) is having  d) haves

9. Simon and Lisa are very happy with ____________ new car.
   a) theirs  b) them  c) their  d) they

10. A: “............... was the flight?”  B: “I was very short, only one hour.”
    a) How much  b) How many  c) How long  d) How far

11. I ____________ be late today! I’m meeting my boss to work on an important project.
    a) must  b) mustn’t  c) must to  d) mustn’t to

12. There is ____________ university in Fribourg. It is very famous for law.
    a) a  b) the  c) ---  d) an

13. The most famous monument in Paris is ____________ Eiffel Tower.
    a) a  b) the  c) ---  d) an

14. She ____________ goes running because she doesn’t like it.
    a) never  b) sometimes  c) usually  d) always

15. She doesn’t want to go to the swimming pool because ____________ swim.
    a) she can  b) she can’t to  c) she can’t  d) she not can
16. A: “......... were you born?”  B: “On 14th May 1993.”
   a) Who  b) Where  c) When  d) How

17. I don’t want ........... sugar in my tea.
   a) some  b) no  c) none  d) any

18. Could you lend me 5 pounds? I ........... any money.
   a) don’t have got  b) haven’t  c) have got not  d) haven’t got

19. He doesn’t speak Spanish very__________
   a) best  b) good  c) better  d) well

20. I don’t like this t-shirt, but ........... one over there looks great!
   a) this  b) that  c) these  d) those

b) Complete the sentences with the right verb form (present simple, present continuous or
   past simple).  …… / 12 pts

1. Katie and Mark .................................. (be) really happy to see us again last weekend.

2. Collin’s car phone is very useful. He .......................... (use) it all the time.

3. A: “When .......................... (you; start) smoking?”
   B: “5 years ago.”

4. We are in the middle of decorating our kitchen, so we .......................... (get) our meals from a
take-away restaurant this week.

5. A: “Hey, Peter! What .......................... (you; think) about?”
   B: “Nothing, I am just listening to this song on the radio.”

6. There was a lot of traffic on the road, so we .......................... (not arrive) on time.

7. She had many problems to do the test because she .......................... (not understand) the
   instructions.

8. She likes watching films, but she .......................... (not go) to the cinema very often.

9. Robert went on a skiing holiday last month. He .......................... (enjoy) it very much.

10. They .......................... (not go) out tonight because the weather is too bad.

11. How much .......................... (it; cost) to fly to London with Easy Jet?

c) Complete the table below (irregular verbs).

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