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CYCLE INGENIEUR

2nd COMPETITIVE ENTRANCE
EXAMINATION
SERIE C, D, E, F et GCE/AL

ENGLISH LANGUAGE
TIME : THREE HOURS

Warning!!!

All questions must be answered on this question paper. The answer paper given to you should serve as a file jacket only.

Don't write your name on this question paper!

Failure to heed to this instruction will attract serious sanctions.

A) SECTION ONE: GRAMMAR – 10 MARKS

1. Complete the following sentences with appropriate prepositions. 2,5 marks.

- a) We shall be forced put the match if the rain doesn't stop falling
- b) my opinion, John's uncle should be sent retirement
- c) Payments services are made arrangement.
- d) The manager promised to look all our grievances, but his promises were put when the strike began.
- e) You have to attach a letter motivation, the application to be accepted by the board directors.

2. Change the following active voice sentences into the passive voice. 2,5 marks.

- a) Martin Luther King Jr. made the famous speech that changed the mentality of the US citizens.

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- b) Did Ebenezer carry home all the books?

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c) I will buy the children's books and pay their school fees.

d) William Booth killed the buffalos, but he put the snakes into a cave.

**3. Complete the following exchange with the appropriate answer in the blank spaces
2,5 marks**

Example: Traveler to air hostess

Traveler: "Good day, Madam! Please, when is the next flight to Yaounde?"

Air hostess: "It is at 4 P.M. sir".

A girl asking permission from her mother to go to the cinema with a friend.

Girl :

Mother: "No, I don't. Don't feel obliged to always stay in, to keep me company".

Alice complementing Mary on her new coat.

Alice: "What a lovely coat! It suits you and it looks so smart".

Mary :

Passenger at an airlines office.

Passenger:

Airlines clerk: "I'm sorry, Sir. All places have been booked. The only help I can offer is to put you on the waiting list".

Guest and hostess:

Hostess

Guest: "Yes, please, I would like something soft and sweet".

A shopkeeper and client:

Shopkeeper:

Client: "You have interesting and beautiful things quite alright, but your prices are too high".

B) SECTION TWO : VOCABULARY – 10 MARKS

1. Choose from among the following words those that are defined in the underlined phrase below. Write in the spaces provided: meticulous, carefree, live, cautious, hardy, skillful, handy, painstaking, lively, cleverest. 2 marks.

a) He was hard working and very careful in his work

b) He was very careful and paid attention to details

c) He was very clever and good at using his hands

d) He was very careful and took no risks in his work

2. Use the correct form of the words in each of the following sentences. 2 marks.

- a) Beatrice is (beauty) of the twin.
- b) The road is very narrow, it needs to be (wide).
- c) The construction workers were instructed to increase the (deep) of the well.
- d) We were all congratulated for our (reliable) in the company.

3. Complete the following words in the sentences with the correct synonyms. 1 marks.

- a) Mary turned down Meka's invitation because she had to take her exams
- b) My father subsequently accepted the doctor's suggestion to have his left leg amputated

4. Select appropriate words from the list provided and fill in the blank spaces in the letter. 5 marks.

grateful, cross roads, niece, fond, selfish, beggars, nephew, proud, overalls, poisonous, domestic refrigerator, safety boots, jealous, damaged.

Dear Uncle,

Thanks for the which you sent to me. My feet will be better protected now. I am very of them and my friend are very Mother would be very if you sent her a Her's is and produces gas. Please, Uncle, don't consider us I must go now, I have to meet my friend at the

Your
Josepha

C) SECTION THREE: READING COMPREHENSION – 10 MARKS.

Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions below it. You have to choose the right answer.

The crude oil that flows up from a well is of no use to anyone as it is. It must be changed to petrol, fuel oil, and many other products that can be manufactured from it. All this takes place in a refinery, but first there is the problem of getting the crude oil there.

It is no small problem, for the movement of oil and oil product is the biggest transport operation ever undertaken. At any given moment, over half the cargo crossing the oceans is oil and further vast tonnages are flowing through pipelines. The major traffic in crude oil is from the producing areas to the industrialized nations. In the early days of the industry, crude oil was usually refined near to where it was produced. Now markets have grown enormously, and the range of oil

products has multiplied, and it has become more economic and convenient to refine oil in the countries where oil products are most in demand.

The most convenient way to move oil overland is to pump it along a pipeline. Pumping stations are built along the line, so the pipeline can extend over any required distance.

Laying pipelines is an immense engineering task, especially in remote and rugged areas. They may have to cross deserts; mountains, go beneath rivers and marshes. Across deserts or other sparsely populated areas, the pipelines may sometimes lie on the surface of the land, but in inhabited areas they are always buried.

In many oil- producing areas, pipelines are built to carry crude oil to loading terminals where it is pumped into tankers for transport to refineries overseas. When oil was first transported by sea, it was filled into barrels containing 42 US gallons. Nearly a hundred: years ago, Marcus Samuel, the founder of Shell Transport and Trading, adopted the idea of building ships which, in effect, were floating tanks, and the oil tanker, was born.

The main design feature of an oil tanker is the division of the oil carrying space into separate tanks, which prevent excessive movement of the cargo at sea and enable different types of oil or oil products to be carried.

The most striking development in tankers over the years has been a great increase in size and carrying capacity. Per ton of cargo carried, it is cheaper to build and operate a large tanker than a number of smaller ones. Big tankers also contribute to safety at sea: one 'super tanker' can do the work of up to 20 smaller ships, thus reducing congestion in crowded sea lanes.

(From Oil, Shell international Petroleum Company Ltd)

QUESTIONS

a) What is the role of an oil refinery? 2 marks.

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b) What are the two main means of transporting oil? 2 marks.

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c) Explain how the laying of pipelines is an immense engineering task? 2 marks.

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d) Why should pipelines be buried in inhabited areas? 2 marks.

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e) Give three important reasons why the division of oil carrying space in a tanker is an important feature. 2 marks.

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