Anglais

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Série A-B-C-D-E

SECTION A : GRAMMAR

I. Read the instructions of each dialogue carefully and then supply the missing parts.

In the restaurant John is hungry.

John: What is *for* lunch today?

Waiter:…………………………………………………………………………..
1. Peter s standing next to Bob's new car. He is surprised by its beauty.

He exclaims:

Peter:……………………………………………………………………………….
2. Talking about a business woman.

Mary:……………………………………………………………………………….
Jane: She goes to London twice a week.

3. Betty is ready to go to work, but she has a flat tyre. She asks her husband:
Better:………………………………………………………………………………….
4. The telephone is ringing.

Paul:………………………………………………………………………………….
Amusa: She left early for the village this morning

II. Fill in the blanks with most suitable words chosen from the brackets.

a) By this time tomorrow, we………… finished our work. (would, have, would have)

b) We found a bottle of wine in the box……… there were no biscuits. (in addition, too, but)

c) We do not expect…………. to open his/her book during the test. (nobody, anybody, no one)

d) He cannot carry that cupboard, …………………can I. (neither, either, so)

e) Stand up I tell you to sit down. (after, until, when).

SECTION B: VOCABIJLARY

I. Fill in the blanks with the correct form of the words in bracket.

   a) Napoleon was a great…………..(war)

   b) There were many………………participate) in the Ngondo festival.

   c) AIDS is a…………………(dead) disease.

   d) John was (bring up) in a rigid manner.

   e) I will…………… (computer) my lessons.

II. Fill in the blanks with the correct words chosen from the brackets.

   a) Our teacher waited out of the *classroom* because he could not _____the noise. (support, bear, resisted)

   b) We_____ the boy who was accused theft since he was innocent. (stood by, stood for, stood up to)

   c) After the proclamation of the results, the successful candidate took up their _____in parliament (seats, sits, chairs)

   d) The car crashed into a tree, leaving many people_____(damaged, injured, insulted)

   e) Publishers _____money by selling books.(gain, win, earn)

SECTION C: COMPREHENSION

Read this passage carefully and answer the questions that follow.

   Making and receiving phone calls had become part of me. I used to get up in the darkest hours of the night to wait for phone calls or make some calls. It didn't matter to me whether it was late or I was disturbing somebody's sleep. It was just the urge to phone, and I had to do it. I started gradually, making a few phone calls a day. It seemed harmless at a few phone innocent chit chat. This soon developed jnto a frequent use of the phone until finally I became addicted te the phone.

The habit gradually began to affect my work. I spent all my breaks phoning and part of my work time had to be used for my lunch break. I started rushing to work early just to start off the day with making phone calls. At first it cost me nothing but when my boss started to control the phone, I spent almost all my salary.

I cannot explain the origin of my addiction but when my counselor asked me, I gave him all sorts of excuses. I said it is pressure at work, disturbed childhood, alcoholic parents and so on. He did not however, want to listen to any of these excuses. He told me, "Look Stephen, you have to take responsibility for your behaviour and solve the problem."

I realized the only time I felt alive then was when I was on the phone. I was charming, warm and generous, of course, everyone liked me, and I actually loved them too. I had no misgiving and no inhibitions, what I actually dreaded at home. Life's pleasures disappeared. In no time, my best relationships were my phone partners. I was more at home talking to people who were like me, phone addicts. I realized I hart eventually developed hatred for people who had no time to listen to me over the phone.

Slowly, things began to deteriorate. I was not just someone who likes talking over the phone. I began calling people and leaving messages so that I can receive enough calls throughout the day.

I was dependent to the point of shying away from human contact. Whenever I arrived a friend's before the door was close behind me, I will go straight for the phone with the words "is it ok if I use the phone?"

I stopped going out in case people phoned and I missed their calls. I had a business line and a private line installed. I borrowed money to buy a pager and mobile phone. I bought a car and made sure I put a car phone in it.

As my additional worsened, I no longer spoke to people at work. I became violent and hostile when colleagues tried to stop me from phoning, in an attempt to get me to do my work. Finally, my superior took action. I hit him with the phone. I was dismissed.

My body began to suffer. One car was flowing and bruised. The other car was no longer hearing enough. I was always tired. Phone bills piled on my desk. Piles of phone aids were also among them. At this point it dawned on me that I had to seek for urgent help. I visited the nearest counselor's clinic. The first thing he told me was to get rid of the phones. I gave away my phones weeping as if I had bat someone dear tome.

Questions

1. Who is speaking n this passage? ……………………………………………………..

2. What was die person's favourite hour of making or receiving calls?..............................

3. What did the narrator miss at home md what did he hate? ………………………

4. Give two excuses that the writer gave for this phone edition?..........................

      a) …………………………………………………………………………………………

      b) …………………………………………………………………………………………

5. Name two effects of the phoning habit on the author?......................................

      a) …………………………………………………………………………………………

      b) …………………………………………………………………………………………

6 What is the first solution to the author's problem?...................................

7. How did the person feel about the proposed solution?...

SECTION D: ESSAY

Write an essay of 200-250 words, on any one of the following topics.

1. Write a speech in which you educate young students of your village or town on the advantages and disadvantages of the internet. You must net write the name of your village in the essay.

2. You took an active part in the celebration of the International Day of the Woman. Describe the event.

If you were the coach of the national football team in your country, what strategies would you adopt to enable your team qualify for the world cup in 2010. Do not write the name of your country in your essay.