TEST – 18 S PLEASE DO NOT WRITE ON THESE SHEETS - EACH PASSAGE TAKES 5-7 MINS

I. Read the Extract A and Extract B and then answer the questions from 1 to 8:

Extract A: The Ripple of Joy

Extract B: A Simple Act of Kindness

Multiple-Choice Questions:

1. What is Mrs. Clara's primary way of spreading happiness in Extract A?

Answer: C. She gives free bread to those in need and offers a kind word.

Explanation: Mrs. Clara spreads happiness by offering free bread to people who seem down and greeting her customers with kindness.

2. How does the young man feel after receiving the loaf of bread from Mrs. Clara?

Answer: B. He feels confused but grateful.

Explanation: The young man is surprised by Mrs. Clara's kindness but gratefully accepts the loaf of bread.

3. What is the young man's emotional state at the start of *Extract A*?

Answer: C. Gloomy and exhausted.

Explanation: The young man is described as looking gloomy and exhausted when he enters Mrs. Clara's bakery.

4. In Extract B, what simple act of kindness does Lisa perform?

Answer: B. She offers the man a sandwich.

Explanation: Lisa offers the man a sandwich from her bag, which makes a significant impact on his mood.

5. What does the narrator realize after witnessing Lisa's kindness in Extract B?

Answer: B. Kindness doesn't always have to be a grand gesture.

Explanation: The narrator realizes that small, simple acts of kindness can bring great joy to others.

6. What is the impact of the kindness shown by Mrs. Clara in Extract A on the young man?

Answer: D. He feels relieved and inspired to spread kindness.

Explanation: The young man's spirits are lifted after witnessing small acts of kindness, and he feels inspired to share the joy with others.

7. How do the children react to Mrs. Clara's kindness in Extract A?

Answer: B. They laugh and play in the rain, spreading joy. Explanation: The children respond to the atmosphere of kindness by laughing and playing, which continues the cycle of happiness.

8. How is the tone of Extract A different from Extract B? Answer: C. Extract A is reflective and warm, while Extract B is more informal and casual.

Explanation: Extract A is more reflective, focusing on the impact of kindness, while Extract B is casual, focusing on a simple moment of kindness between friends.

II. Read the following Poem and answer the questions from 9 to 14:

Chasing Tomorrow

The sun sets low, but my dreams rise high, A trail of stars begins to fill the sky. I chase tomorrow with every step I take, Not knowing where the path will break.

Each moment's shadow pushes me ahead, With thoughts of hope swirling in my head. I'll keep running, no matter how far, Chasing the future like a shooting star.

Multiple-Choice Questions:

9. What does the speaker chase in the poem? Correct Answer: B) Tomorrow

Explanation: The poem's title and lines suggest that the speaker is focused on the future, symbolized by "chasing tomorrow."

10. What is implied by "a trail of stars begins to fill the sky"?

Correct Answer: C) The stars represent possibilities or dreams

Explanation: The stars symbolize the potential and hope for the future, leading the speaker's pursuit of tomorrow.

11. Why does the speaker chase tomorrow "not knowing where the path will break"?

Correct Answer: B) The speaker embraces uncertainty and adventure

Explanation: The line suggests that the speaker is willing to move forward, despite not knowing where the future may lead.

12. What do "each moment's shadow" likely represent in the poem?

Correct Answer: A) The passing of time

Explanation: The "moment's shadow" represents how time moves forward, pushing the speaker to keep moving toward the future.

13. What is the significance of "thoughts of hope swirling in my head"?

Correct Answer: C) The speaker is motivated by hope for the future

Explanation: The "thoughts of hope" represent the optimism and determination that drive the speaker's pursuit of a better tomorrow.

14. What does the speaker compare chasing the future to?

Correct Answer: C) Chasing a shooting star

Explanation: The comparison to a shooting star suggests that chasing the future is something beautiful, fleeting, and full of potential.

III. Read the text below, which consists of few paragraphs (questions 15 - 20). For questions 15 - 20, choose the option (A – G) which best summarises each paragraph. There is one extra option which you do not need to use.

The Challenges of Rewilding Projects

Answers:

15 A, 16 D, 17 F, 18 E, 19 C, 20 B Extra (Unused) Sentence: G

IV. Read the four extracts below and answer the questions 21 - 30, choose the option (A, B, C or D) which you think best answers the question.

Extract 1: Cultural Identity and Patience

Extract 2: Social Inclusion and Patience

Extract 3: Personal Experiences and Patience

Extract 4: Psychological Studies on Patience and Reward

Answers and brief Explanations:

21. Answer: A) Extract 1

Explanation: Extract 1 discusses Maya's patience while learning pottery, where the process itself is the reward.

22. Answer: B) Extract 2

Explanation: Extract 2 highlights how Sophie's patience helps Lucas build meaningful friendships over time.

23. Answer: B) Extract 3

Explanation: Extract 3 focuses on Emma's journey of practicing dance and how her patience leads to a major achievement.

24. Answer: D) Extract 4

Explanation: Extract 4 discusses a psychological study on delayed gratification and its connection to long-term success.

25. Answer: A) Extract 3

Explanation: Extract 3 describes how patience and consistent practice lead to mastering the skill of dancing.

26. Answer: B) Extract 2

Explanation: Extract 2 demonstrates how patience in social interactions helps Lucas feel more included over time.

27. Answer: A) Extract 1

Explanation: Extract 1 shows that patience is required for Maya to create beautiful pottery, emphasizing waiting for the right result.

28. Answer: B) Extract 3

Explanation: Extract 3 shows Emma's frustration with dance but highlights her persistence and eventual success.

29. Answer: A) Extract 4

Explanation: Extract 4 discusses how psychological research connects patience with greater future success and self-discipline.

30. Answer: A) Extract 1

Explanation: Extract 1 highlights the patience needed to create something beautiful, like pottery, which requires time and careful effort.