

my childhood.

Section One: Reading Comprehension

(8 pts)

1. How many interrogative sentences are there in the last paragraph?

(½ pt)

There is one.

2. Are these statements true, false or not mentioned?

(2 pts)

a) F 2) T 3) NM 4) T

3. Here are the answers to some questions about the text. Write the questions.

(3 pts)

- a. What does the writer suffer from?
- b. When did he move to the capital city?
- c. Why does he rarely use his car?

4. Answer the following questions according to the text.

(1 pt)

- a) Living in a city was seen as better than living in a farm.
- b) Life in the city is better for younger people.

5. Find in the text words that are closest in meaning to the following.

(¾ pt)

- a) cut off (§ 1) b) alternative (§ 2) c) in addition to (§ 3)

6. Find in the text words or phrases opposite in meaning to the following.

(¾ pt)

- a) moved (§ 1) b) dangerous (§ 2) c) advantages (§ 3)

Section Two: Mastery of Language

(8 pts)

1. Copy the odd one out on your answer sheet.

(½ pt)

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2. What adjectives can be derived from the following nouns?

(¾ pt)

- (coloured) / colourful - exotic - original

3. Give the plural forms of the following words.

(¾ pt)

- mice - oxen - feet

4. Spot the mistakes in the following passage and correct them.

(1 pt)

.... progress in (the)science has happened in the field of ... It is now possible to grow plants which do not get diseases and to breed cows which produce much milk.

5. Fill in the gaps with words from the following list.

(2 pts)

You can explore the — 1 entire — world ..., but the — 2 best — place to start Begin by making a general survey. — 3 on — foot ..., to discover the most — 4 interesting — places

6. Give the correct form of the verbs in brackets.

(2 pts)

- a. I (left) my village when I was ten. Since then, I (have lived / have been living) in a small flat.
- b. Life in the city (has become / is becoming) more and more difficult.
- c. If I (was / were) in your position, I would move back home soon.

7. Classify the following words according to the number of their syllables.

(1½ pt)

One syllable	Two syllables	Three syllables
soon, home	suffered, older	countryside, however

Section Three: Written Expression

(4 pts)

Either topic one:

Our countryside is no longer as green and attractive as it used to be.

Or topic two:

Write a letter of about 80 to 120 words on how to encourage people to return to the countryside.