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| **Reading World 1** | **Midterm Exam**  **(Units 1- 5)** | **Score: / 100** |
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**Vocabulary:**

**Part A: Choose the word that best matches the definition (1 point each).**

1. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_: to put into a particular group

2. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_: a change that makes something suitable for a new situation

3. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_: knowing a lot

4. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_: to not allow

5. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_: a rule that everybody in a country must follow

*Word Bank (only 5 answers are correct):*

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| classify | enterprise | professionalism |
| law | adaptation | fearsome |
| knowledgeable | survey | prohibit |

**Part B: Choose the word that best completes the sentence (1 point each).**

6. We tend to \_\_\_\_\_\_ when we are very sleepy and tired.

a. compete

b. overcome

c. yawn

d. bend

7. When the children \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the dog, it happily wagged its tail.

a. approached

b. occupied

c. overcame

d. renowned

8. The flight attendants helped the \_\_\_\_\_\_ to his seat on the plane.

a. warning

b. loyalty

c. passenger

d. pregnant

9. My little brother is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of the dark, so he sleeps with the lights on.

a. vicious

b. fearful

c. ultimate

d. furious

10. He quickly \_\_\_\_\_ the menu and decided on getting the hamburger.

a. calculated

b. narrated

c. approached

d. scanned

11. The weather has been \_\_\_\_\_\_ as it has been changing every day.

a. unpredictable

b. invariably

c. guaranteed

d. unstoppable

12. In the chess competition, the AI robot was \_\_\_\_\_ and defeated all of its human opponents.

a. realized

b. interacted

c. renowned

d. unstoppable

13. Learning a new language can \_\_\_\_ be difficult, but it gets easier later on.

a. unlikely

b. initially

c. touching

d. financially

14. Because the shirt was too plain, she decided to \_\_\_\_ it into a beautiful, blue color.

a. dye

b. bend

c. interpret

d. narrate

15. On \_\_\_\_\_\_ holidays like Christmas and Easter, many people go to church.

a. motivational

b. fearful

c. antique

d. religious

16. The children listened carefully as their teacher \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the storybook to them.

a. decorated

b. scanned

c. narrated

d. approached

17. Some of my favorite \_\_\_\_\_ are the tools from the ancient Egyptian times.

a. artifacts

b. loyalty

c. conquest

d. religions

18. My grandmother likes to collect \_\_\_\_ dolls made in the 1800s.

a. elderly

b. crunchy

c. antique

d. guaranteed

19. I get a huge \_\_\_\_\_\_ every time I receive a new package in the mail; it is so exciting!

a. yawn

b. thrill

c. boundary

d. glimpse

20. After listening to the \_\_\_\_\_\_ speech, I felt inspired to make a difference in the world.

a. fearful

b. warning

c. furious

d. motivational

**Part C: Choose the SYNONYM ( = ) or ANTONYM ( <-->) for each word (1 point each).**

21. a brief look = \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

22. socialize = \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

23. gentle <-->\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

24. inspirational = \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

25. horizontal <--> \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

*Word Bank (only 5 answers are correct):*

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| flexibility | glimpse | angle |
| vicious | backward | motivational |
| vertical | familiar | interact |

**Reading Comprehension & Skills:**

**Read the passage and answer the questions.**

Even after surviving the great extinction, the life of the tuatara wasn’t easy. Like many of New Zealand’s native animals, the tuatara was threatened by habitat loss and its predators. One predator that posed a serious threat to the tuatara’s population was the Polynesian rat. They competed with the tuatara for food and probably preyed on tuatara eggs. For these reasons, the tuatara became classified as an endangered species in 1895.

In response to their threatened status, the New Zealand Department of Conservation (DOC) created an intensive recovery program. This special plan included breeding tuataras on various islands, and removing all the pests so that these islands could serve as predator-free sanctuaries. The program was so successful that tuataras were reintroduced to the New Zealand mainland in 2005.

(taken from The Tuatara: A New Zealand Survivor)

**Questions 26-29. Circle the correct answer (2.5 points each):**

26. Which of the following is NOT a reason for the tuatara’s classification as an endangered species?

a. the Polynesian rat

b. habitat loss

c. native animals

d. predators

27. Why was the Polynesian rat a serious threat to the tuatara population?

a. They removed all the pests.

b. They were an endangered species.

c. They competed for food.

d. They bred on various islands.

28. What was included in the intensive recovery program?

a. reintroducing tuataras to the New Zealand mainland

b. surviving the great extinction

c. introducing pests to the island

d. breeding tuataras on various islands

29. In line 4, “For these reasons, the tuatara became classified as an endangered species in 1895.” What can be inferred from this?

a. The tuatara is a dangerous species.

b. The tuatara was a rare species.

c. The tuatara was first discovered in 1895.

d. The tuatara threatened the habitat and population.

**Question 30. Complete the chart using the options below. Write one sentence in each box. (5 points):**

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| **Main Idea** | |
| **Paragraph 1** |  |
| **Paragraph 2** |  |
| **Options** | |
| * The tuatara faced several threats, and thus was identified as an endangered species. * Various islands were used for breeding. * The Polynesian rat probably preyed on Tuatara eggs. * The tuatara and its predators competed for food. * The recovery program was successful in helping the tuatara flourish as a species. | |

**Read the passage and answer the questions.**

Shirley Temple often visited hotels and restaurants with adults. During these visits the adults would drink fancy drinks called “cocktails.” Unfortunately for Miss Temple, the cocktails contained alcohol. In response, one knowledgeable bartender invented a new cocktail for the child star and named it after her. The new cocktail was delicious, fancy, and - most importantly - alcohol free.

A Shirley Temple cocktail is made of ginger ale, orange juice, and grenadine which makes the drink pink and gives it a cherry flavor. This mixture is poured into a tall glass full of ice. As decoration, the glass usually contains a slice of orange and a cherry.

The new drink quickly caught on with children across the country. **They** enjoyed its sweet taste. They also liked it because it was named after one of their favorite stars. When they drank the new drink, they felt like they were as famous as Shirley Temple.

Now, you don’t have to be left out when your parents are ordering fancy drinks. You can join them and order a special cocktail of your own. Thanks to Shirley Temple, cocktail hour can be enjoyed by kids, too.

(taken from A Special Drink for a Special Child)

**Questions 31-34. Circle the correct answer (2.5 points each):**

31. What is NOT true about a Shirley Temple cocktail?

a. It is named after a child star.

b. It does not have alcohol in it.

c. It is often served with an orange or cherry.

d. The drink is orange in color.

32. Who invented the Shirley Temple cocktail?

a. a child actress

b. a Hollywood star

c. a bartender

d. a fan of Shirley Temple

33. According to the passage, why did the drink become popular with children across the country?

a. The children felt as famous as Shirley Temple when they ordered it.

b. The children all loved ginger ale.

c. The children liked to order fancy drinks.

d. The children often visited hotels and restaurants with adults.

34. In line 9, what does “**They**” refer to?

a. other children

b. Shirley Temples

c. favorite stars

d. fancy drinks

**Question 35. Short answer (5 points):**

35. What is a Shirley Temple cocktail made of?

**Read the passage and answer the questions.**

A thrill ride is a special type of ride that is designed to give riders a sense of danger. This sense of danger speeds up the heart rate and causes the human body to release adrenaline into the bloodstream. Adrenaline is the chemical that gives our bodies the extra energy and focus we need to survive a dangerous situation. Although adrenaline is produced to assist in survival, it also makes us feel alive and energized. This is why people enjoy thrill rides.

When you approach a thrill ride, make sure that you understand the warning signs near the entrance. Thrill rides aren’t for everybody. Children, pregnant women, the elderly, and people with health problems should not ride them. That’s because the sudden movements, starts and stops, and physical effects of the thrill ride may be dangerous for these people. Although safety is one of the major considerations involved in designing thrill rides, accidents sometimes happen. Without a doubt, it’s this feeling of danger that makes a thrill ride truly successful. Pushing the boundary of safety is what tricks your body into releasing adrenaline.

As long as people enjoy a rush of danger, thrill rides will remain a popular attraction. Likewise, the people who design thrill rides will continue to try and make them more exciting and unique. New technology will allow new types of rides as well as a safer, but still thrilling, experience. Just remember to hold onto your hat!

(taken from It’s the Thrill)

**Questions 36-39. Circle the correct answer (2.5 points each):**

36. Which sentence about thrill rides is NOT true?

a. They cause the body to release adrenaline.

b. They speed up the heart rate.

c. They are not safe for pregnant woman.

d. They are made especially for young children.

37. How does adrenaline help people to enjoy thrill rides?

a. It gives riders a sense of danger.

b. It speeds up the heart rate.

c. It gives our body less energy.

d. It makes us feel alive and energized.

38. The following groups of people should avoid going on a thrill ride EXCEPT for:

a. patients

b. pregnant women

c. people without health problems

d. the elderly

39. What makes a thrill ride truly successful?

a. the feeling of danger

b. the sudden movements

c. the chemicals in our bodies

d. the physical boundaries

**Question 40. Complete the chart (5 points):**

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| ***Thrill Rides*** | |
| How is adrenaline released into the body? | A sense of danger \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the heart rate and causes the body to release adrenaline into the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. |
| What may make a thrill ride dangerous for some people? | The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of a thrill ride may be dangerous for some people. |

**Read the passage and answer the questions.**

Born in 1990 in Hawaii to a surfing family, Bethany Hamilton began surfing as soon as she learned to walk. She started competing at age 8 and won two competitions before even becoming a teenager. One day while surfing with her best friend in 2003, Bethany felt an unusual sensation in her left arm. She pulled back and forth for a few seconds. Initially she felt no pain, but soon realized something was terribly wrong. A shark had taken her entire left arm! At that moment, her once-promising career in surfing was anything but guaranteed.

Shockingly just 26 days after the shark attack, Bethany was back on her board again. She explained, “I guess my passion for surfing outweighed my fear of sharks, and I was just waiting until the doctor said I had the OK to get in the ocean.” Learning to surf with just one arm was not easy, but it did not stop her from trying. Every time she got knocked down, she just got back on her board, and dealt with one wave at a time.

Two years after the attack, she went on to become a national champion. She won the National Scholastic Surfing Association National Championship for the 18-and-under age group. She also made her World Tour debut in 2009, eventually going on to beat the six-time world champion Stephanie Gilmore and world No. 1 Tyler Wright for third-place at the Fiji Women’s Pro in 2016. Bethany was truly unstoppable.

(taken from The Unstoppable Surfer)

**Questions 41-44. Circle the correct answer (2.5 points each):**

41. In what year was Bethany attacked by a shark?

a. 1990

b. 2003

c. 2009

d. 2016

42. What did Bethany do 26 days after the shark attack?

a. She got back on her board again.

b. She dealt with one shark at a time.

c. She learned to surf with no arms.

d. She went to see a doctor.

43. Which sentence about Bethany is NOT true?

a. The shark had taken her entire left arm.

b. She made her World Tour debut in 2009.

c. Bethany began competing at age 8.

d. Learning to surf with one arm was easy for her.

44. Which of the following sentences best restates the highlighted information in line 5?

a. Her bright future in surfing was certain.

b. Her surfing career was now uncertain.

c. She gave up on her promise to surf.

d. She decided to pursue a career in surfing.

**Question 45. Complete the chart (5 points):**

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| ***Bethany Hamilton*** | |
| Which part of her body had the shark taken? |  |
| Which two surfers did she beat in 2016? |  |

**Read the passage and answer the questions.**

The story begins with Harold breaking his promise to King Edward. Originally, Edward wanted his cousin, William of Normandy, to be the next king. But instead of informing William of this, Harold steals the crown for himself. William hears the news and is furious. He decides he must take back the crown and begins preparing to invade England. The tapestry illustrates how William’s soldiers get ready for the invasion and their trip across the sea from France.

Once they reach England, William and his soldiers begin setting up camp. From the scenes of people building, cooking, and feasting, we can catch a glimpse of the Norman way of life. One giant feast in the tapestry shows how feasts were a way for Normans to demonstrate loyalty to their leader before going into war. After the feast, the soldiers are shown burning down a house to signal the beginning of battle.

The epic Battle of Hastings occupies the final scenes of the artwork. The battle is **chaotic**, bloody, and violent. Harold’s soldiers attack with axes, while William’s soldiers shoot with bows and arrows. One final scene reveals Harold’s defeat by showing an arrow through his eye. From this victory, William earned the nickname “William the Conqueror.”

(taken from A Tapestry for the Ages)

**Questions 46-49. Circle the correct answer (2.5 points each):**

46. Who did Edward want to be the next king?

a. Himself

b. William

c. Harold

d. None of the above

47. Which of the following is NOT true about the scenes in the tapestry?

a. There are people building, cooking, and feasting.

b. It gives us a glimpse of the Norman way of life.

c. The feast demonstrates the Normans’ loyalty to their soldiers.

d. The final scenes are bloody and violent.

48. In line 11, what does “**chaotic**” mean?

a. disorderly

b. calm

c. endangered

d. dutiful

49. How does Harold die in the final scene?

a. An arrow was shot into his eye.

b. An axe struck his head.

c. He fell off his horse.

d. He was stuck inside a burning house.

**Question 50. Short answer (5 points):**

50. According to the passage, how did the Normans demonstrate their loyalty to their leader?

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| **Answer Key** | |

**Vocabulary:**

**Part A: Choose the word that best matches the definition (1 point each).**

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| **1** | *classify* | **2** | *adaptation* | **3** | *knowledgeable* | **4** | *prohibit* | **5** | *law* |

**B. Choose the word that best completes the sentence (1 point each).**

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| **6** | *c* | **7** | *a* | **8** | *c* | **9** | *b* | **10** | *d* |
| **11** | *a* | **12** | *d* | **13** | *b* | **14** | *a* | **15** | *d* |
| **16** | *c* | **17** | *a* | **18** | *c* | **19** | *b* | **20** | *d* |

**C. Synonyms (=) and Antonyms (<-->)**

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| **21** | **a brief look** | = | *glimpse* | **22** | **socialize** | = | *interact* |
| **23** | **gentle** | <--> | *vicious* | **24** | **inspirational** | = | *motivational* |
| **25** | **horizontal** | <--> | *vertical* |

**Reading Comprehension & Skills:**

**Questions 26-29. Circle the correct answer (2.5 points each):**

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| **26** | *c* | **27** | *c* | **28** | *d* | **29** | *b* |

**Question 30. Complete the chart using the options below. Write one sentence in each box (5 points each):**

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| **Main Idea** | |
| **Paragraph 1** | The tuatara faced several threats, and thus was identified as an endangered species. |
| **Paragraph 2** | The recovery program was successful in helping the tuatara flourish as a species. |
| **Options** | |
| * The tuatara faced several threats, and thus was identified as an endangered species. * Various islands were used for breeding. * The Polynesian rat probably preyed on Tuatara eggs. * The tuatara and its predators competed for food. * The recovery program was successful in helping the tuatara flourish as a species. | |

**Questions 31-34. Circle the correct answer (2.5 points each):**

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| **31** | *d* | **32** | *c* | **33** | *a* | **34** | *a* |

**Question 35. Short answer (5 points):**

*(Answers may vary.)*

*-A Shirley Temple cocktail is made of ginger ale, orange juice, and grenadine.*

**Questions 36-39. Circle the correct answer (2.5 points each):**

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| **36** | *d* | **37** | *d* | **38** | *c* | **39** | *a* |

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| What may make a thrill ride dangerous for some people? | The sudden movements, starts and stops, and physical effects of a thrill ride may be dangerous for some people. |

**Questions 41-44. Circle the correct answer (2.5 points each):**

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| **41** | *b* | **42** | *a* | **43** | *d* | **44** | *b* |

**Question 45. Complete the chart (5 points):**

*(Answers may vary.)*

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| ***Bethany Hamilton*** | |
| Which part of her body had the shark taken? | The shark took her entire left arm. |
| Which two surfers did she beat in 2016? | Stephanie Gilmore and Tyler Wright |

**Questions 46-49. Circle the correct answer (2.5 points each):**

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| **46** | *b* | **47** | *c* | **48** | *a* | **49** | *a* |

**Question 50. Short answer (5 points):**

*(Answers may vary.)*

*They held a giant feast to demonstrate their loyalty to their king.*

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**Points available by test:**

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| **Vocabulary** | 25 points |
| **Reading Comprehension & Skills** | 75 points |
| Total | 100 points |

**Breakdown by question type:**

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| *Definition* | 5 | 1 | 5 |
| *Sentence Completion* | 15 | 1 | 15 |
| *Synonym and Antonym Matching* | 5 | 1 | 5 |
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| *Multiple Choice* | 20 | 2.5 | 50 |
| *Graphic Organizer or Short Answer* | 5 | 5 | 25 |
|  | | | **75** |