BMS Entry Exam

English

2018

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No Auxiliary (dictionaries, electronic devices) are allowed!

Good Luck!! 😊
Part 1: Text Comprehension

Exercise 1: The Two Sisters

Read the article about two sisters. Are the sentences ‘Right’ or ‘Wrong’? If there is not enough information to answer ‘Right’ or ‘Wrong’, choose ‘Doesn’t say’.

Something very strange happened to Tamara. She never knew she had a twin sister until she started university!

Tamara was born in Mexico. Her parents could not look after her so she went to live with a family in Manhattan, USA.

When Tamara was twenty years old, she started university in Long Island. She enjoyed her university life. But one day she was walking home from class, and a student smiled at her. “Hello Adriana!” said the student. “I’m not Adriana,” said Tamara.

This happened to Tamara again and again. People Tamara didn’t know kept calling her Adriana. It was very strange. One day, when a woman called her Adriana, Tamara asked, “Why do you keep calling me Adriana?” The woman replied, “You look like my friend Adriana. You have the same face and the same hair. Is Adriana your sister?” Tamara said that she did not have a sister called Adriana. But she was interested in this girl Adriana. Finally she asked someone for Adriana’s email address.

When Tamara wrote to Adriana, she found out that they both had the same birthday, they looked the same and both of them were from Mexico. When Tamara went to live with the family in Manhattan, Adriana moved to Long Island to live with a family there. It had to be true! Adriana and Tamara were twin sisters!

1. Tamara and her sister were both born in Mexico.
   - Right
   - Wrong
   - Doesn’t say

2. Tamara’s parents moved from Mexico to Manhattan.
   - Right
   - Wrong
   - Doesn’t say

3. Adriana wrote to Tamara first.
   - Right
   - Wrong
   - Doesn’t say

4. Tamara always knew she had a twin sister.
   - Right
   - Wrong
   - Doesn’t say

5. Adriana is Tamara’s only sister.
   - Right
   - Wrong
   - Doesn’t say

6. Tamara was a student at Long Island University.
   - Right
   - Wrong
   - Doesn’t say

7. Adriana had only recently arrived in Long Island.
   - Right
   - Wrong
   - Doesn’t say

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Exercise 2: The Magic Garden

Read the texts (A - E) and match them with the statements 1-5.

Teenage summer festival 12 – 17 June

A  Come and share all the fun of the circus! You will learn how to juggle with 2, 3, and 4 objects. You can practise walking the tightrope. Don’t worry, it isn’t dangerous! Learn clown tricks and dress up like a clown - amaze and amuse your friends! Monday, Tuesday and Thursday 1-5p.m. Sessions take place in the main tent next to the lake.

B  Be creative and original! Jewellery making for everyone. Design your own necklaces and bracelets. Learn how to work with leather, metal, stones, feathers and bone. Make beautiful gifts for yourself and others. Every morning from 10 a.m. till 12 noon. You will need two or three mornings to make a great piece of jewellery. Craft tent beside Gate 2.

C  Come fly with us! We have amazing kites available, all shapes and sizes, all colours, big and small. Learn how to fly them and do stunts and tricks. Try our enormous sit-on kite and fly yourself! Every afternoon from 2 p.m. when it’s windy. Come to the hill behind the food tents.

D  Come and listen to our fantastic live bands – Black Stripes, Snakebite and Fallacy! And introducing The Rainmakers. Join them for a live performance. Open microphone spot – make some music yourself. Bring along an instrument if you have one, or just sing. You might even become famous! All day, every day. Come to stages 1, 2 and 3.

E  Messing about on the water! Join in the rowing race, once across the lake. Great prizes to be won! Learn how to row – lessons for all ages. Anytime. If rainy, put on raincoats. Lessons every morning. Races at 2 p.m. Come to the pier on the lake.

1  This event depends on the weather.  ______

2  This event gives you the chance to be on stage.  ______

3  This event is only on some afternoons.  ______

4  This event includes a competition.  ______

5  This event teaches you how to produce something.  ______

______ / 5 points
Part 2: English in Use

Exercise 1

Read the sentence. Choose the best word (A, B, C or D) for each space. Underline it.

1. The earth _______ round the sun.
   A. is going       B. does go       C. goes       D. going

2. I _______ television yesterday.
   A. didn’t watch   B. didn’t watched C. didn’t watching D. watching

3. How long _______ married?
   A. are you       B. you have been  C. you are       D. have you been

4. There were _________ people in the theatre. It was nearly empty.
   A. a little      B. few          C. little       D. a few of

5. Excuse me, _________ a hotel near here?
   A. is there      B. has there    C. is it         D. there is

6. “I broke my finger last week.” “How _________ that?”
   A. did you       B. you did      C. you did do    D. did you do

7. Oxford is famous for _________ university.
   A. his           B. its          C. it’s          D. their

8. Sue and Kevin are going to the cinema. Do you want to go with _________?
   A. her           B. they         C. them         D. their
Exercise 2

Read the text below and choose the correct word for each space: A, B, C, or D.

A friend and I have just come back from a week’s holiday in Goa. We (1) ______ a great time. The only boring bit was the long (2) ______ from London. Going through (3) ______ also took a long time. But once we got to our hotel we were able to relax and soon (4) ______ from our journey. The hotel was fantastic – we had a (5) ______ spacious and comfortable room and there was a wonderful (6) ______ of the sea from our window. We wanted sunshine and we certainly got (7) ______ of it there. Of course, we (8) ______ lots of sightseeing and swimming. But one unusual thing we did was (9) ______ to a dentist. He whitened our teeth for us and it was incredibly cheap! The time (10) ______ far too quickly but I (11) ______ that one day I may be (12) ______ to return to Goa.

1 A made  B had  C were  D knew
2 A fly  B flyer  C flying  D flight
3 A custom  B customer  C customs  D customers
4 A recovered  B returned  C repeated  D relieved
5 A grate  B too  C very much  D great
6 A sight  B view  C scene  D outlook
7 A plenty  B lot  C many  D most
8 A saw  B went  C got  D did
9 A visit  B see  C go  D meet
10 A spent  B took  C enjoyed  D passed
11 A love  B like  C hope  D want
12 A possible  B probable  C capable  D able

______ / 12 points
Part 3: Writing

Choose one of the following tasks.

1. You are on holiday with some friends at a hotel. Write a postcard (60-80 words) to your English-speaking friend, Jane.

On the postcard you should
• Say where you are and when you arrived
• Describe the hotel and say if you like it
• Say what you did yesterday and what your plans are for tomorrow

Or

2. Write a short story (60-80 words) that starts like this.
Once upon a time there was a boy. He lived in a village that no longer exists, ...
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Each criteria counts for 1/3 of the final essay grade.

**FINAL ESSAY GRADE**  

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