

BEE 5 SEMI-FINAL 2023 CANDIDATE PAPER

Task 1

Read the text. Find ten misspelled words and circle them. Then write the correct spelling on the numbered lines below. There is an example.

In a resent episode of the popular game show "Quiz Quest", things took an unexpectedly hilarious turn. The show is known for its challenging general knowledge questions, also known as 'trivia'. In this episode, one contestant made a disastrous error.

Mark, who claims to be excellent at this type of quiz, started the episode well and was racking up the points. However, he got overconfident and misjudged his own abilities. When asked a question about ancient civilizations, he impulsively volunteered to provide the answer, only to find that he had inadequate knowledge on the topic. The audience didn't react well - they were laughing and shouting.

The show's host tried to quiet the disturbance, but Mark's error and noticeable embarrassment were too much for the audience, who were becoming hysterical. Mark quickly came to the realisation that "if you can't beat them, you've got to join them". He then took ownership of the situation, poking fun at himself and making witty remarks throughout the rest of the episode, which soon had the fans laughing along with him, rather than at him.

Mark may not have won the game, but he certainly won over the audience with his refreshing attitude to losing.

Example: recent

1) _____

6) _____

2) _____

7) _____

3) _____

8) _____

4) _____

9) _____

5) _____

10) _____

Task 2

Read the definitions of words and put the letters in the right order to make correct spelling of the words given below.

Example:

A C S T O R E N *noun* a person, typically one more remote than a grandparent, from whom one is descended.

___ **ancestor** ___

1. AIMCOONRIUS *adj* highly unpleasant because people feel angry towards each other

2. AJUDDICTAE *verb* to make an official decision about a problem or disagreement

3. BEVNOELNET *adj* willing to help and be generous towards people

4. GSUSETIMEAT *verb* to calculate the size, value, or amount of something when all the facts are not available to you

5. EGIEXNT *adj* needing immediate help or action

6. CIILVINA *noun* someone who does not belong to the armed forces or the police

7. CCOESSNION *noun* something you give or allow to someone in order to reach an agreement

8. PHNOENMEAL *adj* extremely impressive or surprising

9. DEFIYIENCC *noun* a lack of something your body needs

10. OURCRECNEC *noun* something that happens, especially something unexpected and unpleasant

Task 3 – Listening

You will hear a short recording. Read the text on your paper and complete the gaps.

You should write one word in each gap. You will hear the recording twice.

The company's _____ to merge with its main competitor was initially met with _____ criticism.

Many believed that such an _____ of power would be a terrible idea.

In fact, some even used the word ' _____ ' to describe it.

Many of the executives argued that it would lead to _____ times for both companies.

At some point, it looked as if the _____ of the merger was the only possible outcome.

Undeterred, the CEO decided to run a _____ to test the idea's feasibility.

The results showed that, with careful planning, the merger could gain _____ and be successful.

However, there were still concerns about the _____ of the move by the employees.

In an effort to quell potential _____ of dissatisfaction, the CEO held a webinar to explain their reasoning and the benefits of the merger.

This is the end of the paper.