

# BEE 3 SEMI-FINAL 2024 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.

Based on the incradible true story of Alex Thornton, "The Lost Horizons" is a new book, which chronicles the life of the world-renowned explorer and collector of rare artifacts. This biografy takes you deep into the isolaited peaks and valleys of the Himalayas, where Thornton embarked on his most daring expedition.

Thornton navigated by plane, and later on foot, through underdeveloped regions and treacherous terrains, all the while facing life-threatening challenges. An avalanshe trapped him in a remote valley, and avietion issues forced an emergency landing, stranding him miles from his intended destanation. The book also covers his brief imprisoment during a local military coup, and his subsequent escape. On every page, Alex's unwavering spirit and ingenuity shine through.

In this gripping tale of survival and discovery, the author skilfully juxtaposes the beauty and the hostility of untouched landscapes. "The Lost Horizons" showcases the highs and lows of this ambitious explorer who dared to venture into the unknown.

Example: \_\_\_\_\_ *incradible* \_\_\_\_\_

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. OEBTCOIJN *noun* a reason why you do not like or are opposed to something; a statement about this

\_\_\_\_\_

2. IENARCTT *verb* to communicate with somebody, especially while you work, play or spend time with them

\_\_\_\_\_

3. PCROUIES *adj* rare and worth a lot of money

\_\_\_\_\_

4. REETBGLATRY *adv* used to express that you are sorry about something and wish it had not happened

\_\_\_\_\_

5. TRHEIAOCTEL *adj* connected with the ideas and principles on which a particular subject is based, rather than with practice and experiment

\_\_\_\_\_

6. CVCONINE *verb* to make somebody/yourself believe that something is true

\_\_\_\_\_

7. CHRREAITTSICAC *noun* a typical feature or quality that something/somebody has

\_\_\_\_\_

8. DPIPEARNASE *noun* the fact of being lost or impossible to find

\_\_\_\_\_

9. REUTCUTRRSE *verb* to organise something, such as a system or a company, in a new and different way

\_\_\_\_\_

10. SERCUAIFPL *adj* appearing to be true, real or important until you look at it more carefully

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### 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.

My friends and I found a fascinating \_\_\_\_\_ house last summer.

It had \_\_\_\_\_ been owned by a rich family.

However, due to legal \_\_\_\_\_, it's been empty for a long time.

By our \_\_\_\_\_, no one has lived there for over 50 years!

We didn't go inside, that would have been \_\_\_\_\_.

The structure is almost \_\_\_\_\_ damaged and could collapse.

The house is \_\_\_\_\_ by trees, vines and wildflowers.

It's \_\_\_\_\_ to see how nature has reestablished itself there so thoroughly.

Looking through the windows at the once \_\_\_\_\_ rooms felt strange.

As the years have \_\_\_\_\_, the house has remained frozen in time.