



the English *VOCABULARY* and *SPELLING* Competition

BEE 5

PRELIMINARY ROUND 2025 QUESTION PAPER

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INSTRUCTIONS FOR CANDIDATES:

- Do NOT turn over the page until instructed.
- This test is made up of 4 TASKS.
- Transfer ALL your answers in **CAPITAL LETTER** to the answer sheet provided. Answers in this question paper will not be marked.
- Dictionaries are NOT allowed.

Time allowed: 45 minutes

Total marks available: 80

Task 1 (2 Points for each correct answer)

*Task Instructions: Carefully read the text and find **TEN** misspelled words. Write the correct spelling on the numbered lines below. Answers can be in any order. An example is provided.*

Though charming, Henry was ocasionally curt, and while society deemed him generaos for entertaining those who amused him, outsiders labelled him selfish for offering them no advantages. His father had served as a diplumat to Madrid during Queen Isabella's early rieg्न but resigned abruptly after being denied the pristegious Paris embassy - a role he felt entitled to due to his noble status, laziness, polished reports, and exsesive love of enjoyment. Henry, who had worked as his father's secretery, also resigned - a decision many considered unwise - and later inherited his title, dedicating himself to the art of doing nothing.

Though he owned two grand townhouses, he preferred simpler apratments and dined mostly at his club. He managed his coal mines half-heartedly, justifying this rare invovlement by claiming coal profits allowed him the luxory of burning wood in his fireplace. Feared by most relatives and admired by his servants, he declared England "going to the dogs." His outdated principles were questionable, yet his prejudices often held a grain of truth.

Example: OCCASIONALLY

1. _____

6. _____

2. _____

7. _____

3. _____

8. _____

4. _____

9. _____

5. _____

10. _____

Task 2 (2 Points for each correct answer)

*Task Instructions: Rearrange the scrambled letters to form the correct word that matches the given definition. There are **TEN** of them.*

Example:

Scrambled letters: E I R F E C

Definition: (adjective) Describes someone or something that is powerful and dangerous.

Answer: **FIERCE**

1. Scrambled letters: E U N N A E D R C

Definition: (*noun*) ability to withstand hardship or stress over a prolonged period.

2. Scrambled letters: T C C I U R I

Definition: (*noun*) a closed path that electricity flows through.

3. Scrambled letters: T U A L I T L E S R

Definition: (*verb*) to explain or make clear by using examples, charts, or pictures.

4. Scrambled letters: C A R H E Y R

Definition: (*noun*) the sport or skill of shooting arrows with a bow.

5. Scrambled letters: D O F T N A U N O I

Definition: (*noun*) the basis or groundwork of something.

6. Scrambled letters: I O M O S U N

Definition: (*adjective*) giving the impression that something bad is going to happen

7. Scrambled letters: A M R U T A

Definition: (*noun*) a deeply distressing or disturbing experience.

8. Scrambled letters: I A N D I V D I U L

Definition: (*noun*) a single human being; existing or done separately.

9. Scrambled letters: R C M A S P U E Y

Definition: (*noun*) the state of being superior to others.

10. Scrambled letters: L P A I C E R U

Definition: (*adjective*) strange or odd; unusual.

Audio Link
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Task 3 - Listening (2 Points for each correct answer)

Task Instructions: You will hear a short recording that matches the text on your paper. Fill in the 10 missing words in the underlined gaps with the correct words you hear. The recording will be played twice.

Many people think they're _____ if they enjoy their work, especially with all the negative stories in the media. For example, there was a _____ coverage on the "Great Resignation" after the pandemic. _____ reports suggested people were leaving their jobs in huge numbers because they were _____ with bad treatment from employers.

However, Canadian sociologists Glavin and Schieman, offer a different explanation. Their _____ argues that people weren't necessarily quitting jobs they hated. Instead, they were moving from jobs they were _____ happy with to pursue better opportunities. It was more like a "Great Career Advancement" than a "Great Resignation." The idea of unhappy workers leaving the workforce was more _____ to the media than the idea of people improving their careers.

To support their argument, Glavin and Schieman looked at US job satisfaction _____ from 2002 to 2022. The data reveal _____ trends: over 80% of respondents consistently reported being "very " or "somewhat satisfied" with their jobs. Less than 10% were "not too satisfied" or "not at all satisfied." These figures suggest that job satisfaction didn't suddenly _____ after COVID-19, despite what many news outlets reported.

Task 4 - Brainstorm (4 Points for each correct answer)

*Task Instructions: Write the words that are related to the **NATURE** definition. Each word must start with the first letter given and be written in CAPITAL LETTERS. The exact word must fit the number of boxes provided, according to the definition given.*

Example

Definition: A dense, tropical forest with thick vegetation and diverse wildlife.

Answer:

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1) Definition: The natural home of an animal, plant, or organism.

Answer:

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2) Definition: The complete disappearance of a species.

Answer:

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3) Definition: Animals that are active at night instead of during the day.

Answer:

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4) Definition: Any form of water (rain, snow, sleet, or hail) that falls from the sky.

Answer:

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5) Definition: A long period without rain.

Answer:

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