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### **SECTION A: GRAMMAR (10 marks)**

#### **Exercise 1: Fill in the spaces with the appropriate word from those in brackets (5 marks).**

A: Hey Jack! Hi!

B: Oh hi! How are you doing?

A: Not too bad. Where are you headed so late?

B: Err, just to the convenience store on the corner - we've ..... of milk. (**run-out, run-up, run-off**)

A: I see. How's your wife? Did she get over that flu?

B: Oh yeah, yeah. Thanks. She's fine now. Actually, we ..... to put off our trip to Whistler because of it. But we are going next week. (**have, had, have had**)

A: Oh yah? Skiing is great. It's important to stay active in winter. ..... too, I'm trying to get healthier – trying to quit smoking. (**me, I, mine**)

B: Really? Good for you. How's your new job, by the way?

A: My job's good. I get along well with everyone there – my co-workers, management. And the pay is pretty good too. I am ..... for a new car now. (**serving up, saving up, saving off**)

B: Awesome! I look forward to ..... you at the party this evening (**seeing, see, saw**).

#### **Exercise 2: Complete the sentences below with the correct word or correct form of the word in brackets. (5marks)**

- 1- We were ..... when we saw many countries quarantine their citizens last year due to Covid-19. (**astonish**).
- 2- The film I watched yesterday was very ..... I slept right through it. (**bore**)
- 3- The whale/shark is the ..... fish in the world (**large**), but it is not ..... than the blue whale. (**big**)
- 4- It is our duty to care ..... the young ones. They can't make ends meet. (**for, on, off**)
- 5- He did not eat anything because he ..... lunch (**to have**)

## **SECTION B: VOCABULARY (10 marks)**

**Exercise 1:** Complete this story about Charles Darwin by filling the spaces with the correct form of the word in bracket (5 marks)

Darwin was an English ..... (science) in the 19th century best known for his book “On the Origin of Species.” In his book, Darwin postulated different species shared ..... (character) of common ancestors, that they branched off from common ancestors as they evolved, and that new traits were a result of ..... (nature) selection.

Therefore, the Theory of Evolution, while controversial, has shaped and influenced the modern world’s ..... (think) on the development of life itself. Also, over time beneficial traits and features that promote ..... (survive) will be kept in the gene pool while those that harm survival will be selected against.

**Exercise 2:** Complete the following sentences with your own words (5 marks)

- 1- The ..... was put in prison because he failed to pay the money he borrowed from his friend.
- 2- Our ..... at Vogt College is as a result of hard work and assiduity.
- 3- We may have to ..... ourselves for the second time as Covid-19 continues its spread around the world.
- 4- During this CHAN 2021 competition, Cameroon is opening her ..... sites to foreigners.
- 5- It is always very ..... to expose harmful items to children.

## **SECTION C: COMPREHENSION (10 marks)**

Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow. Use complete sentences and, as far as possible, your own words.

### **Martian Science Fiction Film Hopes to Inspire New Scientists**

The Martian, a film about a marooned astronaut who uses science, wit and courage to survive in a very hostile environment, is making hundreds of millions of dollars and has gotten good reviews. Some scientists also say the film has the potential to inspire as well entertain. In The Martian, Mark Watney is a U.S. astronaut who has to survive alone on Mars after his crew leaves the planet without him, thinking he died in a storm that swept him away. Watney, a botanist, is played by Matt Damon. Not your typical Hollywood here, Damon is one of several role models in the film for aspiring scientists. Another is Mars mission commander Melissa Lewis, played by Jessica Chastain.

It's a performance that excites Costa Rican space enthusiast and student Montserrat Cordero. "Jessica Chastain's character is amazing. We also have the computer programmer who is also a woman. This is not what we tend to see. So I'm really excited to see this kind of thing, hope to see a lot more of it," said Cordero, a Stanford University student and a graduate of an international summer school run by the Foundation for International Space Education in Houston, Texas. Justin Kugler, director of educational programs at the Foundation, said that The Martian's role models will have a positive influence. "The more women we have involved in science, technology, engineering and math, the better a society we have, and the better we will be able to accomplish those missions and do things like go to Mars," Kugler said. In the film, NASA, the U.S. government space agency, tries to overcome great obstacles to bring Watney back to Earth. That's not just science fiction. The science and technology shown in the movie is based on real-life work by NASA, which acted as an adviser to the filmmakers.

As part of that effort, NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory has been operating rovers to collect Martian soil samples. Robert Manning, the laboratory's Mars engineering manager, said his team needs diversity to succeed. "People who see the world from different angles to come in and bring their creative ideas with them, to come here and to help us out. So what we do here is really, in many respects, an international effort," Manning said.

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### Questions

1- According to the text, who is Mark Watney? (2marks)

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2- In the first paragraph, what is NOT a meaning of the word "hostile"? (1mark)

- a) Adverse
- b) Hospitable
- c) Unfavourable
- d) Unpleasant

3- In the third paragraph, what is the meaning of the phrase "space enthusiast"? (1mark)

- a) An opponent of space
- b) A critic of space
- c) A worker in space
- d) A person interested in space

4- "The more women we have involved in science, technology, engineering and math, the better a society we have, and the better we will be able to accomplish those missions and do things like go to Mars.". Is this statement true or false? Justify your answer. (2marks)

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5- According to the passage, who are the role models in the film? (2marks)

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6- According to you, what are some of the advantages of science? Give two. (2marks)

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**SECTION D: Composition (10marks)**

Choose any one of the following topics and write an essay between 250 to 300words.

1- Pollution is becoming a major problem to our well-being. When it rains, our neighbourhoods are flooded. During the dry season, our streets are covered with dust. Hence, climate change affects our lives in different ways. Explain this phenomenon stating the causes and the consequences.

2- On the occasion of World Trees Planting Day, you have been invited by a group of young people in your village to give a talk on the importance of trees. Write the speech that you will deliver. The name of your village is Bafem.

**GOOD LUCK!!!!**

**Mr. PRINCELY**