

TASK 1. Read the text and answer the questions, choosing the right answer. (10 x 0.3=3)

Կարդալ տեքստը և պատասխանել հարցերին՝ ընտրելով ճիշտ տարբերակը:

Line number

1. The stylistic innovation in painting known as Impressionism began in the 1870s. The Impressionists
 2. wanted to depict what they saw in nature, but they were inspired to portray fragmentary moments by the
 3. increasingly fast pace of modern life. They concentrated on the play of light over objects, people, and nature,
 4. breaking up seemingly solid surfaces, stressing vivid contrast between colors in sunlight and shade, and
 5. depiction reflected light in all of its possibilities. Unlike earlier artists, they did not want to observe the world
 6. from indoors. They **forsook** the studio, painting in the open air and recording spontaneous Impressions of
 7. their subjects instead of making outside sketches and then moving indoors to complete the work from memory.
 8. Some of the Impressionists' painting methods were affected by technological advances. For example, the
 9. shift from the studio to the open air was made possible in part by the **advent** of cheap rail travel, which
 10. permitted easy and quick access to the countryside or seashore, as well as by newly developed chemical dyes
 11. and oils that led to collapsible paint tubes, which enabled artists to finish their paintings on the spot.
 12. Impressionism acquired its name not from supporters but from angry art lovers who felt threatened by
 13. the new painting. The term "Impressionism" was born in 1874, when a group of artists who had been working
 14. together organized an exhibition of their paintings in order to draw public attention to their work. Reaction
 15. from the public and press was immediate, and derisive. Among the 165 paintings exhibited was one called
 16. *Impression: Sunrise*, by Claude Monet (1840-1926), viewed through hostile eyes, Monet's painting of a rising
 17. sun over a misty, watery scene seemed messy, slapdash, and an **affront** to good taste. Borrowing Monet's title,
 18. art critics extended the term "Impressionism" to the entire exhibit. In response, Monet and his 29 fellow artists
 19. in the exhibit adopted the same name as a badge of their unity, despite individual differences. From then until
 20. 1886 Impressionism had all the zeal of a "church", as the painter Renoir put it. Monet was faithful to the
 21. Impressionist creed until his death, although many of the **others** moved on to new styles.

1. What aspect of painting in the nineteenth century does the passage mainly discuss?
 - a) The impact of some artists' resistance to the fast pace of life
 - b) The differences between two major styles of art
 - c) A technological advance in the materials used by artists
 - d) A group of artists with a new technique and approach to art
2. The word "**forsook**" in line 6 is closest in meaning to
 - a) abode
 - b) forethought
 - c) foretold
 - d) abandoned
3. According to the passage, which of the following was one of the distinguishing characteristics of Impressionist painting?
 - a) The emphasis on people rather than nature scenes
 - b) The focus on small solid objects
 - c) The way the subjects were presented from multiple angles
 - d) The depiction of the effects of light and color
4. Which of the following is a significant way in which Impressionists were different from the artists that preceded them?
 - a) They began by making sketches of their subjects
 - b) They painted their subjects out-of-doors
 - c) They preferred to paint from memory
 - d) They used subjects drawn from conventional style
5. The word "**advent**" in line 9 is closest in meaning to
 - a) snub
 - b) rebuff
 - c) arrival
 - d) advantage

6. The exhibition of paintings organized in 1874 resulted in all of the following EXCEPT
- attracting attention from the public
 - a negative reaction from the press
 - an immediate demand for the paintings exhibited
 - creating a name for a new style of painting
7. The word “**affront**” in line 17 is closest in meaning to
- insult
 - encouragement
 - return
 - credit
8. The rejection of the Impressionist exhibition by critics was caused by which of the following?
- The small number of paintings on display
 - Lack of interest in exhibitions by young artists
 - The similarity between all the paintings exhibited
 - Anger about carelessly painted art
9. What did Monet and his fellow artists do in response to the criticism of their work?
- They stopped exhibiting their paintings.
 - They abandoned the Impressionist style.
 - They embraced the term "Impressionism" as a symbol of unity.
 - They rebranded themselves as classic artists.
10. The word “**others**” in line 21 refers to
- art critics
 - fellow artists
 - individual differences
 - new styles

TASK 2. Mark whether the underlined idioms in the given sentences are used correctly or not. (0.3x10=3)

Նշել, թե արդյոք տրված նախադասություններում ընդգծված իդիոմները ճիշտ են, թե սխալ:

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| 0. I really regret not buying those shares now! I've been <i>kicking my heels</i> all day! | <u>TRUE</u> | FALSE |
| 1. It was so cold outside, <i>it made my flesh creep</i> . | TRUE | FALSE |
| 2. I'm so busy! I'm really <i>run off my feet</i> at the moment! | TRUE | FALSE |
| 3. Anastasia was feeling relaxed. She <i>had her heart in her mouth</i> . | TRUE | FALSE |
| 4. The old lady offered to tell his fortune. She offered to <i>grease his palm</i> . | TRUE | FALSE |
| 5. It is very easy to <i>lose heart</i> when things go wrong. | TRUE | FALSE |
| 6. Mr. Southgate is very generous and is always <i>giving</i> his grandchildren <i>the elbow</i> . | TRUE | FALSE |
| 7. He's got football <i>on the brain</i> . That's all he ever thinks about. | TRUE | FALSE |
| 8. He was so tired he <i>ate his heart out</i> . | TRUE | FALSE |
| 9. I hate taking risks, so I rarely <i>stick my neck out</i> . | TRUE | FALSE |
| 10. She really spoils her son. She <i>waits on him hand over fist</i> . | TRUE | FALSE |

TASK 3. Complete the sentences using a phrasal verb formed from two boxes. The meaning of the phrasal verb is given in the brackets. (6x0.5=3)

Աղյուսակներում տրված բառերով կազմել դարձվածային բայ և տեղադրել նախադասության մեջ:

Դարձվածային բայի իմաստը համապատասխանում է փակագծերում տրված սահմանումին:

VERBS		
blend	see	fritter
jump	boil	drag
	fool	

PARTICLES		
down	away	around
on	at	through
	in	

0. Simon never takes anything seriously. He just likes to fool around.
(behave in a humorous way in order to make other people laugh)
1. They were very friendly, but it didn't take long to _____ them.
(understand the truth)
2. Many people _____ the chance to work overseas, seeing it as a way of earning far more than they could in their own country.
(quickly take advantage of a new opportunity)
3. If I've got money in my pocket, I tend to _____ it _____.
(waste money)
4. The new office block seems to _____ well with its surroundings.
(look or seem the same as surrounding people or things)
5. Teachers tend to _____ certain subjects that they find difficult to talk about.
(reduce information, usually so that it contains only its most important part)
6. The interrogation seemed to _____ for ages, but in fact it only lasted twenty minutes.
(last for a long time, usually longer than it should or longer than people expected)

TASK 4. Select the answer choice that best maintains the meaning of the underlined word. (10x0.3=3)

Ընտրել այն պատասխանը, որն առավելագույնս պահպանում է ընդգծված բառի իմաստը:

Ring Lardner's upbringing in a **wealthy**, educated, and cultured family provided him with a unique vantage point from which to explore and depict the lives of lower middle-class Americans. Throughout his **distinguished** journalistic career, which **spanned** across major American cities such as South Bend, Boston, St. Louis, and Chicago, Lardner **garnered** substantial experience as a reporter. However, his most enduring **inheritance** rests in his masterful short stories, in which he crafts an intimate, nuanced portrayal of the everyday struggles and language of this demographic. A **hallmark** of these stories is Lardner's meticulous rendering of the dialect and vernacular associated with the lower middle class, often utilizing **deliberate** misspellings, syntactical errors, and nonstandard **diction** to create a distinctive, **authentic** voice. This linguistic **precision** is pivotal in shaping the ambiance of his characters' world.

- The word "**wealthy**" is closest in meaning to
 - indigenous
 - impoverished
 - haughty
 - opulent
- The word "**distinguished**" is closest in meaning to
 - impending
 - outstanding
 - prompt
 - notorious
- The word "**spanned**" is closest in meaning to
 - discerned
 - rejoiced
 - contended
 - extended
- The word "**garnered**" is closest in meaning to

A arise, raise

B arouses, rises

C rises, rise

D raise, raise

9. Mr. Black, who seemed his own dinner, down his fork and knife and drew his chair to the sofa.

A forgotten, lay

B to forget, lay

C to have forgotten, laid

D having forgotten, lain

10. It was no use of him. At last she her arms on the table and rested her forehead on them.

A thinking, lay, flatly

B to think, lain, flat

C to have thought, laid, flatly

D thinking, laid, flat

TASK 6: In each pair of sentences, the missing word in the second sentence sounds the same as the word underlined in the first sentence. Fill in the correct form with accurate spelling using ONLY CAPITAL LETTERS.. Any incorrectly spelled letter will be considered a mistake. (10x0.3=3)

Յուրաքանչյուր նախադասությունների զույգում երկրորդ նախադասության մեջ բացակայող բառի արտասանությունը պետք է համընկնի առաջին նախադասության ընդգծված բառի արտասանության հետ: Լրացնել համապատասխան բառը ճիշտ ուղղագրությամբ՝ կիրառելով ՄԻԱՅՆ ԳԼԽԱՏԱՌԵՐ: Ցանկացած ոչ ճիշտ գրված տառ կհամարվի սխալ:

0. Breathe in that fresh sea air.

Prince William is the _____ to the throne.

H E I R

1. I must compliment you on your handling of a tough situation.

Strawberries and cream _____ each other perfectly.

C _____

2. The actors slay me with the quality of their acting.

She cried on the reindeer _____ ride.

_____ L _____

3. He struggled to pedal his bicycle up the hill.

All the world can now _____ its wares on the internet with few restrictions.

P _____

4. I got these folders at the stationery store.

The rate of inflation has been _____ for several months.

S _____

5. The police have provided experts to counsel local people.

This play is supported by a grant from the local arts _____.

C _____

6. Any profit made on the sale is taxable.

Some believe that he was not a true _____.

_____ R _____

7. She nodded her assent to the proposal.

She made her first successful _____ of Everest last year.

A _____

8. She threw petrol onto the fire, causing a sudden flare.

He has a _____ for languages.

F _____

9. We've had to alter some of our plans.

The chapel contains a splendid early Baroque _____.

A _____

10. If your sight is poor, you should not drive a car.
Scientists _____ this experiment as key support for the theory.

___ I ___

TASK 7. Choose the best answer. (5x0.3=1.5)

Ընտրել ճիշտ տարբերակը:

1. **Richard was asked to withdraw from graduate school because _____ .**
 - a) it was concluded that his academic aptitude was sufficient, but not dependable enough completing his research
 - b) his capacity to fulfill the research requirements was judged to be fundamentally inadequate
 - c) his performance was assessed as insufficient to meet the research standards which expected by the faculty
 - d) there was a consensus that his scholarly abilities were considered capable at fulfilling the research demands
2. **John's score on the test is the highest in the class; _____**
 - a) it is reasonable assuming that he must have been studied thoroughly the previous evening
 - b) one can infer with a high degree of certainty that he had engaged to extensively preparation the night before
 - c) it is likely that his exceptional performance was a direct result of having studied the previous night
 - d) it could be concluded that his top score is indicated he had undoubtedly devoted considerable time in studying
3. **_____ received law degrees as today.**
 - a) Never in history have such a large number of women been
 - b) At no other time so many women have
 - c) Never has there been a time when so many women have
 - d) Never in history has such many women
4. **The skiers would rather _____.**
 - a) choose travelling by the train instead of taking the bus
 - b) travel by train rather than traveling by the bus
 - c) embark for a journey by train rather than opt on traveling by bus
 - d) embark on a journey by train than travel by bus
5. **The doctor insisted that his patient _____.**
 - a) refrain from engaging in any strenuous work for the upcoming three months
 - b) abstain from overexertion for a period of three months so that to ensure properly recovery
 - c) avoid from strenuous activities for the next three months for recovery
 - d) limit to his exertion levels significant for the next three months for health reasons

TASK 8. Underline the odd one out on the left and write it into the correct sentence on the right. (5x0.3=1.5)

Գտնել ավելորդ բառը ձախ կողմից և տեղադրել այն աջ կողմում տրված ճիշտ նախադասության մեջ:

EXAMPLE: 0 - Modem – b

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| 0. bridegroom, photographer, reception, modem | a. _____ is not a job. |
| 1. acid, instalment, mortgage, deposit | b. Modem has nothing to do with a wedding. |
| 2. score, bass, chord, salmon | c. _____ has nothing to do with football. |
| 3. fraud, shoplifting, phishing, killjoy | d. _____ has nothing to do with money. |
| 4. grocer, butler, miner, grater | e. _____ has nothing to do with crime. |
| 5. pitch, referee, trophy, whisker | f. _____ has nothing to do with music. |