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END-OF-TERM TEST**GRAMMAR****PART 1**

Choose the correct answers to complete the paragraphs.

Why do people who **(1) work / works / working** hard feel overworked and underproductive? For most professionals, there was never a time in school **(2) when / which / where** they were taught how to work efficiently. **(3) Furthermore / Otherwise / Afterwards**, many of the techniques **(4) used / which used / that is used** to "save time" are actually time wasters. This is because many of the routines that **(5) establish / established / professionals establish** for work are not reevaluated when situations change. One efficiency tip that works is to organize your personal work space, **(6) that is in your home / where you keep all of your materials for work / which will reduce the time you spend looking for things**.

Another tip **(7) can / that can / that** save you time is to plan ahead. Take, for example, Tom, **(8) an employee / whose an employee / that is an employee** at an accounting firm. During the day, Tom had many ideas about things he should do, **(9) a little that / few of which / some of that** he remembered because he did not write them down. So, Tom began to write down his tasks. Now Tom organizes his to-do list in a way that reflects the importance **(10) he assigns / that assigns / of which he assigns** to each task. Tom wasn't great at any job that **(11) requires / required / requiring** organization before, but he's better at it now.

PART 2

Choose the correct answer to complete the sentence.

- 1 Anna got into a terrible car accident last night. _____, she wasn't badly injured.
- A Basically
 - B Fortunately
 - C Actually

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- 2 Only in the United States _____ a gun without having proper identification!
- A someone can buy
 - B can someone buy
 - C can someone buying
- 3 _____ the position of advertising director, Marcia immediately called her husband to tell him the good news.
- A Offered
 - B Since offered
 - C Even when offered
- 4 He's not going to pass the history exam _____ he studies.
- A if
 - B only if
 - C even if
- 5 While _____, Paula and Louise were sleeping in the backseat of the car.
- A driving
 - B driving Andrew
 - C Andrew was driving
- 6 Which of the following has the most similar meaning to "I'll call you as soon as I get home."
- A I'll call you once I get home.
 - B I'll call you after I get home.
 - C I'll call you by the time I get home.
- 7 _____ the costs and benefits of moving to Los Angeles, Pedro eventually chose to stay in Miami.
- A Considered
 - B Considering
 - C Having considered
- 8 Forest fires swept through northern California last week, endangering the lives of millions of people. _____ people were evacuated from their homes.
- A As a result
 - B In addition
 - C In spite of that

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9 _____ realizing that she had slept late, Andrea jumped out of bed and rushed to get ready.

- A Upon
- B Since
- C As soon as

10 It looks like we're going to get a bonus again this year. Our mobile technology division saw another strong year in sales. _____, key performance indicators across the whole company have increased.

- A For instance
- B Moreover
- C In contrast

PART 3**Choose the correct answer to complete the sentence.**

1 _____ infants cry in the speech patterns of their native language is well documented.

- A Six-month-old
- B That six-month-old
- C What six-month-old

2 _____ she believes me is something I don't need to worry about.

- A If
- B Whatever
- C Whether or not

3 Yesterday, this is what Lenar said: "I would like to rent a bigger condo." Today, we report this by saying: Lenar said that he _____ to rent a bigger condo.

- A will like
- B would like
- C would have liked

4 Rachel said she has no clue _____ she's going to do after she graduates.

- A that
- B what
- C whatever

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5 Yesterday, Philip asked Martin _____ ever been to Costa Rica.

- A have you
- B if he has
- C if he had

6 Jaime asked me _____ my ticket to São Paulo.

- A if I had bought
- B whether I bought
- C did you buy

7 I can't say I know _____.

- A a rotary valve
- B what a rotary valve is
- C what is a rotary valve

8 Hyun-joo was thrilled by _____ her paper would soon be published.

- A that
- B whether or not
- C the fact that

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PART 4**Choose the correct answers to complete the conversation.**

Nancy: I'm so glad I took your advice and changed my major in college. If I **(1) didn't / hadn't / haven't**, I wouldn't be where I am now.

Michelle: How's that?

Nancy: Well, you suggested that I **(2) change / changed / had changed** majors to study something I really liked. **(3) Had you not / You hadn't / Hadn't you** persuaded me to change my major, I might have continued with hotel management! If I had stuck with hotel management, I **(4) will be / would be / would have been** unhappy now. **(5) Were it not / If it were / Wasn't it** for you, I wouldn't have chased my dreams! I learned from you that it's important for a person **(6) to follow / follows / will follow** their dreams! **(7) If so / If not / Without**, they might end up regretting it for their whole life.

Michelle: I wish I **(8) do / did / had done** what I loved, but I always worried that I wasn't good enough at painting to make any money. So, that's why I'm a nurse.

Nancy: Yea, I know what you mean. For me, I like running my own business, but if I didn't need the money, I guess I **(9) should record / will record / might record** my own music. I'm glad I still get the chance to play music on the side, but it **(10) will / would / were to** be great to play full time.

Michelle: I know! If I **(11) can't paint / didn't paint / hadn't painted** something at least once a week, I feel incomplete.

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READING

PART 5

Read the passage. Then choose the correct answers.

Preparations for the 2016 Summer Olympics were in full swing in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. This international competition was likely to be a big success, with 206 countries expected to participate in the first games ever to be played in South America. The popularity of sports worldwide continues to rise. However, while sports may look good on the surface, problems lurk underneath. For one thing, there's an overemphasis on fame and the worshipping of famous athletes. Then there's the increasingly large role money is playing in sports today, as a result of ever-increasing possibilities for product endorsement by athletes. Finally, sports violence has certainly not diminished, as we often hear of players and fans injuring each other during contests. Clearly, there are a few key problems that currently exist in the world of sports. It's a shame our attention is often directed elsewhere.

When the Olympics began about 2,700 years ago in Greece, the contests were derived from war. The javelin throw, for example, paralleled the throwing of a spear in a battle. Running paralleled the physical exertion you might have to make if an enemy was chasing you. When the modern Olympic games started in 1896, the philosophy had shifted to the promotion of peace. However, emphasis was still placed on demonstrating physical strength and excellence in challenging contests. But things have been since warped. Although athletes still try to achieve their personal best, the focus has shifted to the breaking of records and the achievement of fame, or *extreme* achievement. With this has come the media's focus on only the best athletes in the most popular sports, and that distracts us from recognizing less-popular athletes who embody important qualities such as competitiveness and determination in sporting events that are not as recognized. Some of the most important lessons that athletics teach us come from the stories and successes of these people.

There is also the issue of money. Consider the cost of attending a major athletic competition. In the United States, the average cost of a ticket to a National Football League game in 2015 was about \$84. If you add up the cost of taking a family of four to a game, the total was over \$336. A ticket to an NBA basketball game is about \$52. Baseball is cheaper, though it's not really a bargain at an average ticket cost of about \$30. When looking at players' salaries, it's no wonder why ticket prices are so high. For example, NBA basketball star LeBron James earns about \$23 million a year. Likewise, baseball player Alex Rodriguez made about \$22 million in 2015. Is anyone worth that much money? Meanwhile, the president of the United States earns \$400,000 a year, and U.S. public schoolteachers make a median yearly salary of about \$53,000. We can infer a lot about what we value by looking at what we pay people. When we compensate professional athletes so highly, are we rewarding the people who are truly valuable to society?

There's also the issue of recurring violence in sports. We see it wherever we look, and it's certainly not decreasing. Fights occur frequently in professional sports, with ice hockey one of the worst offenders. In one of the best-known cases, for instance, NHL player Steve Moore had to be hospitalized because another player hit him in the head with his hockey stick. Unfortunately, there seems to be increasing acceptance of violence as "just part of the game." But once we assume violence is inevitable, it will be almost impossible to stop. Furthermore, this sort of thing doesn't just happen in North America. We've all heard about the well-publicized violence surrounding soccer games in Europe. In another example that occurred in December of 2012, a Dutch amateur linesman was beaten to death after a youth match concluded. Perhaps, if governing sports bodies had addressed violence decades ago when it was first brought to light, then there might not be as much violence in sports today.

Sports have enormous potential to benefit society, but somehow, in becoming big business entertainment, they have gone awry. But what can be done? Well, we can pay more attention to local athletics and events such as the Special Olympics. We can refuse to pay ridiculously high ticket prices. And finally, we can demand an end to violence. Above all, we need to get back to this idea: It's not whether you win or lose; it's how you play the game.

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- 1 It can be reasonably inferred from the article that the author _____.
 - A used to spend a lot of time following sports
 - B is not a fan of attending professional sports games
 - C is worried about professional athletes' influence on youth

- 2 Why does the author mention the salaries of both top athletes and teachers?
 - A to argue that teachers need to be paid more
 - B to compare two professions the author feels are important
 - C to highlight the differences in how society values professions

- 3 The author's purpose in writing this article is to suggest that _____.
 - A people take action to change the sports industry
 - B sports organizations transform professional sports
 - C professional athletes do more to tackle problems in sports

- 4 The author points out that ignoring the problem of violence in sports will _____.
 - A contribute to creating a more violent society in general
 - B make ending sports violence a more difficult task
 - C allow it to spread to other forms of entertainment

- 5 What is the main idea of the second paragraph?
 - A The emphasis of the Olympic Games has shifted towards peace since its origins.
 - B The Olympic Games have become more about fame than just strength and achievement.
 - C The Olympic Games do not include enough competitions for less-popular athletic events.

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LISTENING**PART 6****Listen to the conversation. Then choose the correct answers.**

- 1 What can be inferred from the conversation?
 - A Jamal has plans to move back to Korea soon.
 - B The public transportation in Korea and the U.S. are similar.
 - C The Korean writing system is less complicated than the English writing system.

- 2 Over the course of the conversation, the main focus shifts from _____.
 - A Jamal's experience living in Korea to some issues he's faced back in the U.S.
 - B Jamal's experiences with language learning to his problems with the U.S. healthcare system
 - C Jamal's frustrations living in Korea to his reverse culture shock after moving back to the U.S.

- 3 Which sentence best describes Jamal's experience learning Korean?
 - A It was very difficult for him, and he never became very proficient in the language.
 - B He found it to be challenging, but he developed advanced speaking and listening skills.
 - C Reading was quite easy because of the Korean writing system, but he didn't develop other skills.

- 4 Which of the following does Jamal NOT mention about his experience in Korea?
 - A the country's healthcare system
 - B the methods he used to learn Korean
 - C what his job was when living there

- 5 Why does Jamal mention different sounds made by combining the letters *g* and *h* in words such as *through* and *ghost*?
 - A to explain which letters are also used in Korean
 - B to draw a comparison between the languages' writing systems
 - C to highlight the difficulties with the English language which don't exist in Korean

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SPEAKING**PART 7**

In order to educate the world's youth, there needs to be more standardized testing in schools.

Do you agree with the statement above? Develop a response in which you:

- State whether or not you agree with the opinion
- Provide at least two reasons why you agree/disagree with the opinion
- Support your reasons with logical arguments, statistics, and/or examples

PART 8

Read Andy's description of his problem. Then respond to the questions that he asks you. In your response, consider the information Andy gives, and also give specific advice to address all of his problems. Use arguments and both real and imaginary examples to support your opinions.

Andy: I recently moved to a city to be with my girlfriend, well ex-girlfriend, Tina. We broke up about two weeks ago, which was only about a month after I moved here to be with her. I really thought we were going to be together forever, but she said that I wasn't respectful of her feelings enough for her to want to spend the rest of her life with me. So, now I'm here in Vancouver with no job, no girlfriend, and I'm spending my savings fast—this city is expensive! I want to keep living here because Vancouver's a nice place, and I want to see if I can work things out with Tina. What did I do wrong? And maybe more importantly, what do I need to do now?

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WRITING

PART 9

Capital punishment—or, the death penalty—is used in many countries. In the United States, where capital punishment is legal in over half of its states, the debate usually focuses around one issue: crime prevention. Proponents claim that the death penalty is a useful deterrent against violent crime, while opponents argue that this is not the case. They point to research that indicates that violent crime rates are higher in states with the death penalty than those states without it. Write an essay in which you discuss both the pros and cons of capital punishment. In your conclusion, state your opinion on whether the death penalty should or should not be legal.

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PART 10

Human ingenuity has created some great inventions and technological advances. Think of one invention or technology that has had a significant impact on the world. Then write a few paragraphs about it. Consider the following in your response:

- Describe the invention or technology
- Describe the significance or impact that it has had on the world
- Imagine a world without the invention or technology—what would the world be like today without it?

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