

Model test- clase a XII-a

I.Fill each gap with one word only.(20 points)

We often assume the best way to come to a decision is to (1)..... ages taking into account a lot of information before we (2)..... our conclusion. We weigh the evidence (3)..... the belief that instant decisions are unreliable. However, there are (4)..... for a reassessment of that view. It may be that every (5)..... and then, our subconscious mind does a better job in a moment than our conscious mind does.

When Evelyn Harrison, an expert on sculpture (6).....shown a statue that the J. Paul Getty Museum had purchased for \$ 10 million, she blurted (7).....that it was a fake. It came as a shock to the museum. Harrison was unable to explain why she had formed that impression, but it was enough to cast doubt (8).....the statue. Now most experts have come (9).....to her position, but how did she tell the (10).....between that and the real article so quickly?

II.Use the word given in capitals to form a word that fits in the space. (10 points)

Although still a relative (COME)..... to the world of high-performance sports cars, General Autos has (GO)..... quite a transformation since their first effort, the Xtreme, attracted such (FAVOUR)..... comment in the motoring press, which led to disappointing sales. Their latest effort, the XR1200 (CONVERT)....., went into (PRODUCE)..... last month, and I had the chance to test-drive one.

To say that the XR1200 is better than the Xtreme is a huge (STATE)..... . Not only is it much better, it represents a (REVOLT)..... new approach to this class of car. From the seats to the angle of the steering wheel, everything on this car is (ADJUST)....., meaning that you can set the car up to fit you perfectly. The engine, too, is easy to set up for maximum efficiency, with the help of powerful dual (PROCESS)..... that monitor performance 1,000 times a second. Even the bodywork incorporates state-of-the-art ideas, with a new durable material that should mean that your XR1200 (LAST)..... almost anything else on the road.

III.Read the following text and decide which answer A, B, C or D best fits in each gap (10p)

Considered by many critics to be the greatest _____(1) actress, Meryl Streep has been _____(2) for the Academy Award an astonishing 20 times, and has won it three times. Meryl was born Mary Louise Streep, to Mary Wolf (Wilkinson) and Harry William Streep. Her father was of German and Swiss-German _____(3) and her mother had English, Irish, and German ancestry. Meryl's _____(4) performing leaned toward the opera. She became _____(5) in acting while a student at Vassar and upon graduation, she enrolled in the Yale School of Drama. She gave an outstanding _____(6) in her first film role, Julia (1977). A perfectionist in her craft and meticulous and painstaking in her preparation _____(7) her roles, Meryl turned out a string of highly acclaimed performances (8) _____ the next decade in great films like Silkwood (1983), Out of Africa (1985), Ironweed (1987) and A Cry in the Dark (1988). Her career declined slightly in the early 1990s as a result of her inability to find _____(9) parts, but she shot back to the top .In 1998 she made her first venture into the area of producing, and was the executive producer for the moving First Do No Harm (1997). A realist when she talks about her future years in film, she remarked that "... (10) what happens, my work will stand..."

1	A -alive	B -live	C - living	D -lively
2	A -appointed	B - nominated	C - chosen	D - selected
3	A -blood	B - descent	C - origin	D - root
4	A - early	B - recent	C - premature	D - young
5	A - absorbed	B - committed	C - interested	D - concerned
6	A - performance	B - show	C - act	D - spectacle
7	A - of	B - at	C - for	D -in
8	A - over	B - up	C - on	D - upon
9	A - convenient	B - proper	C - fitting	D - suitable
10	A – In spite	B – No matter	C - Whatever	D - Regardless

IV.Rephrase the following sentences.(20 points)

- 1.We didn't think he was going to recover, so it was a relief when he did. **PULLED**
We were relieved when he.....we didn't think he would.
- 2.Internal Affairs are investigating allegations of police fraud. **INTO**
Allegations of police fraud..... Internal Affairs.
- 3.It was only after I left the office that I realised I had forgotten the file. **DID**
Only after.....that I had forgotten the file.
- 4.Money is the only thing that matters, really. **COMES**
It.....in the end.
- 5.It looks as though the thieves escaped in a white Mercedes van. **GETAWAY**
The thieves may..... in a white Mercedes van.
- 6.It's more of a hobby than a career for him. **MUCH**
It's not a hobby for him.
- 7.I don't know how he is going to accept the fact that he has lost his job. **TERMS**
I don't know if he is going to.....his job.
- 8.You should never leave the baby alone under any circumstances. **IS**
Under.....be left alone.
- 9.His first novel was considerably more successful than his second. **NEAR**
His second novel.....his first.
10. It's quite likely that Hugh was lying about what Daniel said. **WELL**
Hugh.....about what Daniel said.

V.Write a 10-line paragraph in which you give your opinion on the WhatsApp “phenomenon”.(30 points)

NOTE : 10 points are granted