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SCORE: ____ / 60 points

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Exercise 1. Put the verbs in brackets into the correct form.[10 points]

Example: Look at him! He **is going to fall** (fall) into water.

1. An ancient vase _____ (find) by archaeologists yesterday.
2. I _____ (work) all day and I feel exhausted.
3. She said he _____ (not/eat) breakfast that morning.
4. If I _____ (be) the chairman of our company, I would employ more people.
5. _____ (finish) her homework, she went for a walk.
6. I'd rather you _____ (not/drive) so fast because I'm scared.
7. By next October we _____ (live) in this house 15 years.
8. She prefers _____ (speak) French to writing it.
9. Before she _____ (forgive) him, he will have to apologise to her.
10. Tim's father let him _____ (borrow) his car at the weekend.

Exercise 2. Rewrite the sentences so that the second will have the same meaning as the first one. Use up to 5 words. [10 points]

Example: The last time I had lobster was three years ago.

I **haven't had lobster for** three years.

1. The GPS is calculating the arrival time to our destination.
The arrival time to our destination _____ by GPS.
2. He didn't take his job seriously. That's why he was fired.
If he had taken his job seriously, he _____ fired.
3. Amanda got up early because she wanted to catch the 6:15 train.
Amanda got up early so _____ the 6:15 train.
4. The boss asked his secretary to type the letter.
The boss had _____ by his secretary.
5. The man owns a large company. Tom is negotiating with the man.
The man who _____ owns a large company.
6. Some people believe that the pyramids in Egypt were built by aliens.
The pyramids in Egypt are _____ built by aliens.
7. I'm sure the politician insulted the audience in the TV studio.
The politician must _____ the audience in the TV studio.

8. We are counting the days till I see you.
We are looking _____ you.
9. "When did he write this letter?" the boss asked me.
The boss asked me _____ that letter.
10. It's a pity Tim didn't come to my birthday party.
If only Tim _____ to my birthday party.

Exercise 3. *Underline the correct letter with the word or expression that fits the context the best. [10 points]*

Example: You must be careful not to the money I am giving to you.

- a. loose c. lost
b. lose d. loosen

1. I regret help you but I didn't realize you had suffered so much.
a. not to be able to c. not being able to
b. not to can d. cannot
2. It's no use her. I am sure she is out.
a. to call c. in calling
b. call d. calling
3. There are plants in the deserts because they get very rain.
a. few / little c. little/ few
b. a few / a little d. a little / a few
4. I couldn't believe that you for so long.
a. have been waiting c. had been waiting
b. have waited d. had waited
5. We had to train three times a day rain and cold weather.
a. because of c. despite
b. because d. although
6. We all the exercises. Only two of them were our homework assignment.
a. didn't need to do c. didn't need to make
b. needn't have done d. needn't have made
7. You can't give in to peer pressure and buy designer clothes and handbags.
a. artificial c. false
b. fake d. untrue
8. Some dogs develop really habits which are very difficult to break.
a. charming c. disgusting
b. charmed d. disgusted

9. The council collects records of businesses, societies, other organisations and individuals relating to the history of York.
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| a. historic | c. historical |
| b. history | d. of history |
10. Rents have sharply in this part of the town.
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| a. raised | c. raisen |
| b. rose | d. risen |

Exercise 4. Complete the sentences with the correct word derived from the words in brackets [10 points]

Example: You can't come so close to the cliff! It's*dangerous*..... (danger)!

1. One way to encourage the (employ) to work harder is to give them higher salaries and some perks.
2. Unfortunately, the police seemed (power) to prevent such terrorist attacks.
3. In 2011 fourteen people died on the ground, along with nine on board, when a cargo plane fell on a (reside) area in California.
4. She started to receive (threat) letters that caused her to feel nervous and upset.
5. Young people find that they need more (free) and (depend).
6. Police officers should never (obey) their commanding officer.
7. That remote village is only (access) by a narrow path.
8. When Tom saw an accident, he acted (response) and sensitively and called the ambulance and the police.
9. Maria's eyes (wide) and she opened her mouth, trying to speak but she was too astonished to say a word.

Exercise 5. Read the text and do the exercises below. [20 points]

THE GETAWAY [adapted from a story by John Savage]

They turned around, reached inside their jackets, and pulled guns on us. "You sit where you are and don't move," the tall one said to me. "And you, get back against the wall."

Whenever I get sleepy at the wheel, I always stop for coffee. This time, I was going along in western Texas and I got sleepy. I saw a sign that said GAS EAT, so I pulled off. It was long after midnight. What I expected was a place like a bunch of others, where the coffee tastes like copper and the flies never sleep.

What I found was something else. The tables were painted wood, and they looked as if nobody ever spilled the ketchup. The counter was spick-and-span. Even the smell was O.K., I swear it.

Nobody was there, as far as customers. There was just this one old boy - really only about 40, getting gray above the ears - behind the counter. I sat down at the counter and ordered coffee and apple pie. Right away he got me started feeling sad.

I have a habit: I divide people up. Winners and losers. This old boy behind the counter was the kind that they mean well, they can't do enough for you, but their eyes have this gentle, faraway look, and they can't win. You know? With their clean shirt and their little bow tie? It makes you feel sad just to look at them. Only take my tip: don't feel too sad.

He brought the coffee steaming hot, and it tasted like coffee. "Care for cream and sugar?" he asked. I said, "Please," and the cream was fresh and cold and thick. The pie was good, too.

A car pulled up outside. The old boy glanced out to see if they wanted gas, but they didn't. They came right in. The tall one said, "Two coffees. Do you have a road map we could look at?"

"I think so," the old boy said. He got their coffee first and then started rooting through a pile of papers by the telephone, looking for a map. It was easy to see he was the type nothing's too much trouble for. Always ready to help.

I'm the same type myself, if you want to know. I watched the old boy hunting for his map, and I felt like I was looking in a mirror.

About a minute or two, he came up with the map. "This one's a little out of date, but..." He put it on the counter, beside their coffee.

The two men spread out the map and leaned over it. They were well dressed, like a couple of feed merchants. The tall one ran his finger along the Rio Grande and shook his head. "I guess there's no place to get across, this side of El Paso," he said it to his pal, but the old boy behind the counter heard him and lit up like a light bulb, "You trying to find the best way south? I might be able to help you with that."

"How?"

"Just a minute." He spent a lot of time going through the papers by the telephone again. "Thought I might have a newer map," he said. "Anything recent would show the Hackett Bridge. Anyway, I can tell you how to find it."

"Here's a town called Hackett," the tall one said, still looking at the map. "It's on the river, just at the end of a road. Looks like a pretty small place."

"Not anymore. It's just about doubled since they built the bridge."

"What happens on the other side?" The short one asked the question, but both of them were paying close attention.

"Pretty fair road, clear to Chihuahua. It joins up there with the highway out of El Paso and Juarez."

The tall man finished his coffee, folded the map, put it in his pocket, and stood up. "We'll take your map with us," he said.

The old boy seemed surprised, like a new kid at school when somebody pokes him in the nose to show him who's boss. But, he just shrugged and said, "Glad to let you have it."

The men had a little conference on the way out, talking in whispers. Then they stopped in the middle of the floor, turned around, reached inside their jackets, and pulled guns on us. Automatic pistols, I think they were. "You sit where you are and don't move," the tall one said to me. "And you, get back against the wall."

Both of us did exactly what they wanted. I told you we were a lot alike.

The short man walked over and pushed one of the keys of the cash register. "Every little bit helps," he said, and

he took the money out of the drawer. The tall man set the telephone on the floor, put his foot on it, and pulled the wires out. Then they ran to their car and got in. The short man leaned out the window and shot out one of my tires. Then they took off fast.

I looked at the old boy behind the counter. He seemed a little pale, but he didn't waste any time. He took a screwdriver out of a drawer and sat down beside the telephone. I said, "It doesn't always pay to be nice to people."

He laughed and said, "Well, it doesn't usually cost anything," and went on taking the base plate off the telephone. He was a fast worker, actually. His tongue was sticking out of the corner of his mouth. In about five minutes he had a dial tone coming out of the receiver. He dialed a number and told the police about the men and their car. "They did?" he said. "Well, well, well...No, not El Paso. They took the Hackett turnoff." After he hung up, he said, "It turns out those guys robbed a supermarket in Wichita Falls."

I shook my head. "They sure had me fooled. I thought they looked perfectly all right."

The old boy got me another cup of coffee and opened himself a bottle of pop. "They fooled me, too, at first." He wiped his mouth. "Then I saw the guns hid under their jackets when they leaned on the counter to look at the map. Anyway, they had mean eyes, I thought. Didn't you?"

"Well, I didn't at the time."

We drank without talking for a while, getting our nerves back in shape. A pair of patrol cars went roaring by outside and squealed their tires around the Hackett turnoff.

I got to thinking, and I thought of the saddest thing yet. "You knew there was something wrong with those guys, but you still couldn't keep from helping them on their way."

He laughed. "Well, the world's a tough sort of place at best, is how I look at it."

"I can understand showing them the map," I said, "but I'm damned if I'd have told about the bridge. Now there's not a chance of catching them. If you'd kept your mouth shut, there'd at least be some hope."

"There isn't any--"

"Not a shred," I went on. "Not with a car as fast as they've got."

The way the old boy smiled made me feel better "I don't mean there isn't any hope," he said. "I mean there isn't any bridge."

Part A. *Decide if the following sentences are true or false. Put T next to true sentences and F next to false ones.*

1. The narrator of the story became sleepy while driving.
2. Usually the narrator stops in restaurants that serve good coffee.
3. At the diner where he stopped he did not find the quality of food he expected.
4. The narrator considered the man behind the counter to be a winner.
5. The two men who entered the diner were trying to get to Texas from Mexico.
6. The counterman said that Hackett had become a bigger town because of the construction of a bridge.
7. The men smashed the telephone in the diner so it could not be used.
8. The two men stole the money that was in the till.
9. The counterman was able to temporarily repair the telephone with a screwdriver.
10. It is very probable that the police will catch the two men who turned out to be robbers.

Part B. *Find an expression or word in the text which means the same as the following phrase or word. Then put it in the space provided next to it.*

1. left a major road and turned to a less important one
2. a lot of
3. very clean
4. distant
5. piece of advice
6. searching for something in a messy pile
7. looked very quickly
8. old and not fashionable
9. moving at high speed making a loud sound

10. a junction, crossroads

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