

Appendix 8

PRE TEST

Subject	: English
Level/Class	: Senior High School / XI
Time Allocation	: 45 minutes

The following text is for the question number 1- 6

Text 1

Students' cheating is one of the biggest problems faced by teachers nowadays.

Despite the fact that teachers advise their students not to do dishonest acts during tests, some students still do cheating. There are many kinds of cheating that students do during the test or examination, such as looking other students' work, put some notes under their clothes, write notes or formulas on their desks make hand signals or go to rest rooms to get the answers from their friends. In my view, students who do cheating are committing a crime. It is a sort of taking something illegally. This crime causes negative results to the students. Students who always cheat deteriorate their mental capacity. Cheating acts also create dependence. They weaken their self confidence. Instead of preparing for the coming test, they are busy to organize notes on a piece of paper. If this awful habit continues, the students will lose their opportunity to develop their intellectual and mind.

Therefore, school should consider cheating as a very serious problem. School board and administration should go hand to overcome this matter. Honesty must be put in school's vision. Harsh punishment must be applied to students who commit this crime.

1. What is mainly discussed in the text?
 - a. mental deterioration
 - b. cheating as a crime
 - c. harsh punishment
 - d. school policy
2. How does cheating create students to be dependent?
 - a. It strengthens the student's way of thinking
 - b. It weakens the student's self confidence
 - c. It makes the students lose their opportunity to develop their intellectual
 - d. It makes the students comfortable
3. "They weaken their self confidence." (Paragraph 3)
What does the underlined word refer to?
 - a. cheatings
 - b. tests

- c. papers
 - d. results
4. "Students who always cheat deteriorate their mental capacity." (Paragraph 3)
The underlined word means...
- a. worsen
 - b. support
 - c. create
 - d. cause
5. What will the school do to eliminate students who commit cheating?
- a. make harsh punishment
 - b. select honest students
 - c. create a good vision
 - d. make the students confident
6. What is the final advice from the author?
- a. The students should be punished
 - b. The school board should eliminate the cheating students
 - c. The students should study before the test
 - d. The school board should overcome the cheating problem

The following text is for the question number 7 - 12

Text 2

When a person old enough to be responsible for a crime? This question needs to be investigated because the current law is not good enough
The law at present protects children aged between ten years and four years from being punished for committing crimes. It is believed that children under fourteen years are too young to realize the seriousness of their crimes.

Mr. Stephen Scarlett, head of the NSW Children's Court, describes how clever young offenders use this defense, saying that they are too young to understand that they have broken the law. Mr. Scarlett, an expert on this subject, states that the age should be dropped from fourteen to twelve years. I agree with this.

Teenagers these days are far more sophisticated than those in the past. The law should recognize this. In a recent survey some people suggested that the age for being responsible for a crime should be dropped to eight years old. This, I feel, is too young. Fourteen, however, is too old. Is there anyone who believes that a fourteen-year-old does not know that it is against the law to steal or vandalize property? By the age of twelve, children are aware of what is legal and what is not.

Public pressure creates change. It is now up to the public to put pressure on the government to change the age at which a person may be held responsible for a crime from fourteen years to twelve years. Out of date laws have no place in a

modern society, especially one that needs people to be responsible for their actions.

7. What type of genre does the text belong to?
 - a. Analytical exposition
 - b. Hortatory exposition
 - c. Description
 - d. Narrative
8. The part of the text which states what ought or ought not to happen is called.....
 - a. recommendation
 - b. elaboration
 - c. argument
 - d. thesis
9. In what paragraph do we find the recommendation of the text above.....
 - a. in the third paragraph
 - b. in the first paragraph
 - c. in the fourth paragraph
 - d. in the second paragraph
10. "Teenagers these days are far more sophisticated than those in the past.
The word "those" refer to.....
 - a. children
 - b. laws
 - c. teenagers
 - d. days
11. "Mr. Scarlett, an expert on this subject, states that the age should be dropped from fourteen to twelve years. I agree with this."
The underlined sentence expresses.....
 - a. argument
 - b. certainty
 - c. opinion
 - d. agreement
12. In what age are the children protected by the present law from being punished for committing crimes?
 - a. ten years old
 - b. fourteen years old
 - c. ten to fourteen years old
 - d. eight years old

The following text is for the question number 13 - 16

Text 3

Smoking in a restaurant does not only give the bad impact to the active smokers but also the passive ones.

Smoking in a restaurant is impolite. The smell of the smoke affects all people and can turn them off their food. People pay to taste good food and not to be put off by foul-smelling smoke.

Besides, smoking harm the others especially passive smokers, that is, breathing in smoke made by a smoker, can lead to asthma attacks and even cancer.

Finally, smoking is dangerous and a health risk to the smoker. Cigarettes cause heart and lung disease and people do not smoke anywhere, not just in restaurants.

Regarding to the bad impacts, smoking must not be allowed in any restaurants.

13. Smoking in a restaurant is impolite. (paragraph 2).

The synonym of the underlined word is...

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| a. rude | d. sensitive |
| c. polite | e. kind |

14. The statements below are true based on the text, **except**,,

- a. Smoking harms to the others
- b. Smoking must not be allowed
- c. Smoking makes us better
- d. Smoking is unhealthy for the smoker

15. Regarding to the bad impacts, smoking must be allowed ... (paragraph 1).

The antonym of the underlined word is ...

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| a. banned | c. tolerated |
| b. let | d. permitted |

16. From the text above, we can conclude that ...

- a. Smoking is not good for human body
- b. Smoking makes people happy
- c. Smoking must be banned in the restaurant
- d. smoking is a bad habit

The following text is for the question number 17 - 20

Text 4

If you want to advance in your career, you will have to make some careful decision about which jobs to take. Evaluate a job offer for the value it has to your

career. It may mean sacrifice at first. You may have to move to a different region or a different country to get a job that is right for you. You may have to work late hours, at last temporarily. You might even have to take lower salary for job that offers you the experience that you need. But you should never accept a job if it is not related to your career goals.

Accepting a job that is not within your career path will not give you the training or experience you need or want. You will find yourself frustrated in such position and consequently will not perform your best. This will have an effect on the people around you who will not feel as if you are being a part of the team. The best advice is to think carefully before accepting any position and make sure the job is the one you want to have.

17. Which is not mentioned as a sacrifice for valuable job?

- a. no benefits
- b. bad working hours
- c. moving to other country
- d. moving to other region

18. What is wrong with taking a job outside your career path?

- a. People will complain to you
- b. You will earn less
- c. You won't perform well
- d. You will be part of a team.

19. What is the most significant factor in evaluating a job?

- a. salary
- b. location
- c. prestige
- d. value to your career

20. "You might have taken lower salary ..." (paragraph 1).

The synonym of the underlined word is ...

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| a. tax | c. bill |
| b. pay | d. outcome |