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## **USE OF ENGLISH**

## A. Mark the best option in the answer sheet.

1. My aunt her own fan husband in a car crash two years	nily business since she	her
a. has run/was losing	c has been minning/leat	
<ul><li>a. has run/was losing</li><li>b. ran/has been losing</li></ul>	d. is running/loses	
2. Although he is well over 60, our every day even when it	nextdoor neighbour	_ for an hou
a. walks/rains c. walked/has been raining	<ul><li>b. is walking/is raining</li><li>d. has walked/rained</li></ul>	
3. He the back of his trouse shoelaces.	rs while he down to	do up his
<ul><li>a. was splitting/has bent</li><li>c. is splitting/bends</li></ul>	<ul><li>b. split/was bending</li><li>d. has split/bent</li></ul>	
4. This is the third time that you an hour. Why don't you listen to my	me that question in	the last half
_ ,	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
a. were asking c. have asked	b. ask d. asked	
5. Because Johnto lock the CD player with little effort.		his
<ul><li>a. is forgetting/has stolen</li><li>c. forgot/was stealing</li></ul>	<ul><li>b. has been forgetting/is</li><li>d. had forgotten/stole</li></ul>	stealing
6. The Indians say they	stop their attacts until the la	st guerilla
a. might not /had left	b. do not / left	
c. will not / has left	d. would not / leave	
7. I have bought new shirt v	which matches jacke	et I bought
a / the	b. the /a	
c. a / the	d. an / some	
8. Don't blame for keeping y a. ours/his	you waiting. It was entirely	fault.
c. her/them	b. mine/their d. him/my	
9. Now children, be nice torooms.	_other, or I'll send you	to your
a. every/both	b. some/each	
c. each/all	d.one/any	
10. With a tornado on the way Jess at home.	ie decided that he would be	
a. the safer	b. as safe as	
c. the safest	d safer	

B: I my bank manager for	•
luckily, I managed to get it.	
a. must have asked	b. used to ask
c. had to ask	d.ought to ask
12. He serious when he told	that he would commit suicide. He
must have been kidding.	
a. shouldn't be	c. can't have been
b. might have been	d. couldn't be
13you hold this shelf here	e while I go and get my hammer?
a. May	b. Must
c. Should	d. Will
14.Only small number of passengers _	when the ship crashed the
iceberg.	
<ul><li>a. were able to survive</li><li>c. had to survive</li></ul>	b. might have survived
c. nad to survive	d. should survive
15. You look terrible. You	see a doctor as soon as possible.
	b. might
c. would rather	d. had better
16. We did all we to finish	the assignment but we need some
several days more.	
a. might do	b. should do
c. could do	d. would do
17. If her motherenough	money, it impossible for
her to go to the university.	,,
<ul> <li>a. hadn't got/ would have been</li> </ul>	<ul><li>b. got/would have been</li></ul>
c. didn't get/will be	d. wouldn't get/was
18. If I was offered such a good job,	Iit.
a. could have accepted	b.might have accepted
c. would accept	d. will accept
19. She wishes she the c	only girl in class who
every day instead of taking the school	
a. hadn't been/walks	b. weren't/had to walk
c. wasn't/should walk	d. isn't/must walk
20 on time , we won	a't have chance to invite her to the
party.	t have chance to myle her to the
a. If she not comes	b. Unless she comes
c. If she didn't come	d. If she came
21. Do you remember the name of the	ship whichdeserted in
Atlantic in 1872?	la de Carrad
a. had been found c. was found	b. is found d. had found
C. WUS IVUIU	a. naa iyand

22. Make sure that the doors	hefore going out
a. will lock	b. are locked
c. locked	d. were locked
	at Were locked
23. Not many people realize that apple	s for over 3000 years .
a. cultivate	b. have cultivated
c. are cultivated	d. have been cultivated
24 The received	Maria a Alice a
24. The research out by the information.	time they obtain some necessary
a. was carried	b. had been carried
c. will be carried	d. is carrying
or will be curried	d. is carrying
25. The longest underground channel in	n the world is the one from
France to England.	
a. that run	b. which has been run
c. that is running	d. which runs
26 The malma substitute and the	
26. The prime minister, illne	ss is growing more more serious,
has been taken to Central Hospital	IS famous for its doctors.
a. whose / which	c. which / that
b. whom / that	d. whose / what
·	·
27. The guide suggests us visiting the	Tower of London , we can
spend some time .	
a. that	c. what
b. when	d.where
28. The children were told	near the lake
a. not to playing	b. not play
c. not playing	d. not to play
. , -	· · ·
29 how much	she had spent on the designer dress.
a. Her menas anacrestimatea	D. Her parents did not approve
c. Even her sisters didn't support her	d. She didn't want anyone to know
30. Could you stop for a few	minutes? Che le terte e
the letter into French.	illitutes? She is trying
a. to chat / to translate	h chatting / to translate
c. chatting / translating	<ul><li>b. chatting / to translate</li><li>d. to chat / translating</li></ul>
c. chatting / translating	d. to chat / translating
31. Do you mind if Ithe curt	ains slightly? The sun
directly in my eyes.	
a. drew/was shining	b. draw/is shining
c. have drawn/shone	d. was drawing/has shone
22 Comphady housest to the control of the control o	
32. Somebody borrowed my car yestero	
a. did they	b. do they
c. didn't they	d. did she

>			(33) expensive to waste	•
			s will help you save it. For you have a full load of lat	
			ut hot food in the fridge; if	
			overtime. And cut out	-
	lighting:			umreecosa, y
	33. a. very	b. too	c. a lot	d. much
	34. a. by following	b. if you follow	c. in order to follow	d. following
	35. a. since	b. once	c. already	d. until
	36. a. had better	b. has to	c. is able to	d. needs
	37. a. to save more n	noney	b. more energy is s	ived
	c. the more energ	y you save	d. when you save m	nore energy
			ople living in the town of	
		_	et at night you	
		_	is dog. It has been like this	
		_	(39) pollution	
			vin Smallholden. However vn. A new call-centre will	
	_		ouncil has (42	_
		_	till alone at night with his	
	smile on his face.	the policeman is s	em alone at mgnt with ms	aog, ne nas a
	38. a.probably	b.certainly	c.suddenly d.late	ely
	39. a.less	b.least	c.few d.few	•
	40. a.few	b.little	c.many d.mu	ch
	41. a.best	b.better	c. worse d.the	worst
	42 a gave	h giyen	c give d hee	an given

>	Sorry I didn't ring	you with my answ	er last night. I had	to stop off on my
	way home to see Sa			-
	help her get used to			
	of English. She has	little (4	44) in the languag	e and without this,
	she has few prospec	cts of finding a job	. She's my sister's	best friend so I feel
	responsible	_ (45) her. Anywa	y I'm spending a lo	t of time right now
	looking for a job for	Sakura so I will ge	et (46) to y	ou when I can.
	43. a.take	b.improve	c.get	d.put
	44. a.fluency	b.fluently	c.accurately	d. accurate
	45. a.for	b.on	c.with	d.by
	46. a.on	b.back	c.over	d.off
>	You've really let	yourself down th	is time! You can	t expect to keep
	(47)with the	other students if	you spend all yo	ur time at parties.
	You're falling	(48) and if your re	esults don't pick _	(49) soon they
	are going to fail you	. You can't get by	copying friends' pa	pers. Wake up Carl!
	If you don't catch _	(50) soon you	ı'll need to find son	nething else to take
	up. Like a job!			
	47. a.on	b.up	c.in	d.of
	48. a.between	b.off	c.behind	d.in
	49. a.up	b.on	c.off	d.in
	50. a.on	b.back	c.over	d.up

## **READING SECTION**

## TEXT I. Read the text below and answer the questions that follow.

### **EFFECTS OF SMELL**

- 1 Travelers arriving at Heathrow Airport were recently met by the smell of freshly-cut grass, pumped from a secret corner via an "aroma box," a machine which blows warm, scented air into the environment. It can scent the area of an average high street shop with the smell of chocolate, freshly-cut grass, or sea breezes in fact, any synthetic odors that can be made to smell like the real thing. Heathrow's move into "sensory" marketing was the latest in a long line of attempts by businesses to use sensory psychology the scientific study of the effects of the senses on our behavior to help sell products. Marketing people call this "atmospherics" using sounds or smells to manipulate consumer behavior.
- **2** On Valentine's Day, a year before Heathrow's using the aroma box, pharmacy chain Superdrug scented one of its London shops with chocolate. The smell of chocolate is supposed to have the effect of reducing concentration and making customers relax. "Chocolate is generally associated with love," said a Superdrug staff member, "so we thought it would get our customers in the mood for romance." She did not reveal, though, whether the smell actually made people spend more money.
- **3** However, research into customer satisfaction with certain scented products has clearly shown that smell does have a commercial effect, though, of course, it must be an appropriate smell. In a survey, customers considered a lemon-scented detergent more effective than another scented with coconut, despite the fact that the detergent used in both was identical and equally effective. On the other hand, a coconut-scented suntan lotion was rated more effective in terms of sales than a lemon-scented one.
- **4** A research group from Washington University reported that the smell of mint or orange sprayed in a store resulted in customers rating the store as more modern and more pleasant for shopping than other stores without the smell. Customers also rated the goods on sale as better, and expressed a stronger intention to visit the store again in the future. Music, too, has long been used in supermarkets for marketing purposes. Supermarkets are aware, for example, that slow music causes customers to stay longer in the shop, which the managers hope will get them to buy more things. At Leicester University, psychologists have found that a specific kind of music can influence consumer behavior. In a supermarket, people preferred to buy French wine rather than German, when French accordion music was played. The same thing happened in reverse when German Bierkeller music was played.
- **5** In one American study, people even bought more expensive wines when classical music was played instead of country music. Writers and poets have often described the powerful effects of smell on our emotions, and smell is often considered to be the sense most likely to evoke emotion-filled memories. Research suggests, however, that this is a myth and that a photograph or a voice is just as likely to evoke a memory as a smell. Perhaps the reason for this myth is because smells, as opposed to sights and sounds, are very difficult to give a name to. Smell is invisible, and, thus, somehow more mysterious, which may partly explain its reputation as our most emotional sense.
- **6** However, some businesses are very <u>circumspect</u> of what is still regarded as an unusual marketing tool. A survey of 200 British companies reported that 40% of employers liked the idea of using smells, but 29% were opposed to it. However, the idea continues to attract considerable commercial interest. A Welsh furniture company has recently launched a line of scented sofas. Passengers may begin to regret the loss of real, traditional airport odors of burgers, diesel fumes, and cigarette ends if they end up having to relax on <u>these</u> at the departure lounges at Heathrow.

51. The use of atmospherics
<ul> <li>a) was practiced in marketing at Heathrow Airport before anywhere else</li> <li>b) was confirmed by a Superdrug staff member to have been a marketing success</li> <li>c) was practiced at Heathrow in such a way that the source of the smell could not be see</li> <li>d) made Superdrug customers want to spend more and buy more chocolate on Valentine Day</li> </ul>
52. It can be understood from the text that
<ul> <li>a) appropriately-scented products are more effective in terms of their use</li> <li>b) there is a general tendency among customers towards the scent of lemon in most</li> <li>c) customers prefer not to shop at modern stores, even if atmospherics are made use of products.</li> <li>d) the right small makes customers thick the lemon of the products.</li> </ul>
d) the right smell makes customers think that a company's product is better than others'
53. Which of the following can be inferred from the text?
<ul> <li>a) People associate different levels of quality with different types of music.</li> <li>b) The use of music in supermarkets makes people buy greater amounts of a certain product.</li> <li>c) People tend to buy more wine at supermarkets when classical music is played.</li> <li>d) The use of music makes customers more aware of the prices of products or services.</li> </ul> 54. According to research, a certain smell
<ul> <li>a) makes us recall memories more than other senses do</li> <li>b) can affect our emotions with greater power than other senses do</li> <li>c) is not as easy to describe as sights and sounds</li> <li>d) may help to explain its reputation for invisibility</li> </ul>
55. The word "circumspect" in para. 6 probably means
a) hopeful b) cautious c) enthusiastic d) competitive
56. "these" in para. 6 refers to
<ul><li>a) burgers, diesel fumes, and cigarette ends</li><li>b) businesses</li><li>c) passengers</li><li>d) scented sofas.</li></ul>

#### TEXT II.

#### A WORD WITH MANY MEANINGS

- **1** Almost everyone has at least one. Most people have several, but definitions of friend vary from person to person. For some, a friend is someone who plays cards with you every Friday night. For others, a friend is someone who has known you all your life. Someone whose family knows you, too. Others reserve the term for someone who knows your innermost secrets. What one person defines as a friend, another calls an acquaintance, and vice versa.
- **2** If definitions of friendship can vary so much with a single culture, imagine the differences between cultures. However, interestingly, there have been very few cross-cultural studies on the topic. Writing in 1970, anthropologist Margaret Mead compared notions of friendship in the United States, France, Germany, and Great Britain. She says: "For the French, friendship is a one-to-one relationship that demands a keen awareness of the other person's intellect, temperament, and particular interests. A friend is someone who draws out your own best qualities... Your political philosophy assumes more depth, appreciation of a play becomes sharper, taste in food is accentuated... enjoyment of a sport is intensified.
- **3** In contrast to the French, says Mead, friendship in Germany has more to do with feelings. Young Germans form bonds early and usually incorporate their friends into their family life. According to Mead, between French friends, who have chosen each other because their points of view are **congenial**, lively disagreement and sharpness of argument are the breath of life. However, for Germans, whose friendships are based on mutuality of feeling, deep disagreement on any subject that matters to both is regarded as a tragedy. As a result of their expectations of friendship, young Germans who come to the United States often have difficulty making friends with Americans, "who view friendship more tentatively...," reports Mead. These friendships are "subject to changes in intensity as people move, change their jobs, marry, or discover new interests."
- **4** The British follow another pattern. According to Mead, the basis for friendship among the British is shared activity. Unlike German relationships, British friendships usually remain outside the family. Mead compares this type of friendship to a dance whose partners must stay in step with each other.
- **5** Americans who have made English friends comment that, even years later, "you can take up just where you left off." Seeing each other after a long time, friends are like a couple who begin to dance again when the orchestra strikes up after a pause.
- **6** Studies of American friendships indicate that, like the French and British, people in the United States often form friendships around interests. **They** have friends who enjoy sports, friends who go shopping with them, friends who share a hobby. However, like the Germans, they also form long-lasting friendships which are based on feelings. In fact, the variety of relationships that Americans call friendships can confuse people from other cultures, especially when Americans say things like, "I just made a new friend yesterday." However, the term does not seem to confuse Americans, who know very well the difference between friends and acquaintances. According to a 1970 survey in a U.S. magazine, *Psychology Today*, those who answered the survey "found it easy to distinguish between close and casual friends and reported they have more close friends than casual ones."
- **7** Although different people and cultures emphasize different aspects of friendship, there is one element which is always present, and that is the element of choice. We may not be able to select our families, our co-workers, or even the people that ride the bus with us, but we can pick our friends. As Mead puts it, "A friend is someone who chooses and is chosen." It is exactly this freedom of choice, without the legal ties of marriage, that makes friendship such a special and unique relationship.

## Mark the best choice. 57. The definition of a friend \_\_\_\_\_ a) has been studied extensively at a cross-cultural level b) may be perceived differently by each individual c) is similar throughout the cultures of the world d) is someone you form weaker bonds with than an acquaintance 58. The French \_\_\_\_\_ a) prefer to have a group of friends b) base their friendship on each other's political philosophies c) have a good knowledge of their friends' abilities and interests d) believe that friendships should be based on feelings 59. The English \_\_\_\_\_ a) choose their friends early in life b) form close bonds with their friends' families c) believe that friends should bring out the best qualities in each other d) remain good friends despite not seeing each other very often 60. Americans \_\_\_\_\_ a) tend to have fewer casual friends b) make good friends with Germans c) believe that disagreements are vital in friendships d) have friendships similar to a dance 61. Germans \_\_ a) vary the intensity of their friendships according to the changes in their lives b) prefer to have similar points of view on a subject c) leave their friends out of their family life d) base their friendships on shared interests 62. The word "congenial" in para. 3 probably means \_\_\_\_\_ a) very private b) inappropriate c) competitive d) suitable 63. Which of the following is TRUE according to the text?

- a) Americans treat their friends and acquaintances in the same way.
- b) Marriage is a unique and special relationship because it has legal ties.
- c) Americans share similarities in forming friendships with the other cultures examined in the study.
- d) Selecting our friends is the common element only in forming close friendships.

64. "they" (para.	6) : refers to		
a) Americans	b) the French	c) the British	d) friendships

#### **TEXT III**

### **DNA HELPS SOLVE CRIME**

1 For now, the DNA revolution is largely confined to understanding nature, not changing it. Yet the few applications that have already appeared leave little doubt of <a href="the technology's potential">the technology's potential</a>. Today, DNA has already started to help solve crime cases. DNA as a means of individual identification, first invented by Sir Alec Jeffreys of the University of Leicester in England in 1984, has developed into a forensic technique used to identify criminals. Since then, there has been much stronger evidence than <a href="that">that</a> of uncertain eyewitness. Applied to stored biological evidence, DNA fingerprinting has cleared many convicted inmates. So far, the Innocence Project at the Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law, run by Barry C. Scheck and Peter J. Neufeld, has <a href="exonerated">exonerated</a> 124 people. In Illinois, thanks to DNA evidence, the innocence of many death row inmates has been proven and their death sentences have been lifted, making Gov. George Ryan lose confidence in his state's justice system. Just before leaving office last month, he commuted the rest of the death sentences to prison terms of life or less.

**2** DNA testing has jolted the justice system because, properly used, it is an almost **infallible** identifier of biological tissue. In Britain, which collects DNA from everyone who has committed a crime, a growing database has allowed the police to score many "cold hits," the match of DNA from tissue at a crime scene to someone not on any list of suspects. The impressive reach of DNA fingerprinting, both to catch the guilty and clear the innocent, has provoked suggestions for larger DNA databases, as well as counter-arguments from civil libertarians.

**3** DNA is also an unrivaled ancestral archive. By examining the DNA of the living, biologists can reach back and resolve many otherwise inaccessible questions. From the DNA of people living today, geneticists can infer the size of the ancestral human population and track its movements across the earth as the first modern humans **dispersed** from Africa.

65. the technology's	potential' (para: 1)	refers to; the tech	nology's potential to
a)DNA revolution	b)few applications	c)change natu	re d) crime cases
66.'that' (para 1) re	efers to		
a) uncertain eyewitr	ness b) forensic tech	nique c) individual i	dentification d) (the) evidence
67. 'exonerated' in p	aragraph 1 is close	st in meaning to	
a) arrested	b) set free	c) imprisoned	d) deceived
68. ' <i>infallible'</i> in par	agraph 2 is closest	in meaning to	·
a) faultless	b) questionable	c) uncertain	d) problematic
69. 'dispersed' in paragraph 3 is closest in meaning to			
a) scattered	b) differed	c) detected	d) determined

## 70. Which of the following is FALSE according to the text?

- a) DNA testing has been used to identify people for about two decades.
- b) A "cold hit" is when a suspect's tissue matches the tissue taken from a crime scene.
- c) Civil libertarians are against DNA fingerprinting.
- d) It is possible to learn things about our ancestors via the DNA examination of people alive.

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	Wı	riting Section	
1. Look at these sente	nces for a paragra	ph called The Challe	nge of Running a Marathon.
Number the senten	ces in chronologic	cal order. (6 🛮 1: 6 po	ints)
	The Challe	nge of Running a Ma	rathon
A1Last year I	ran the New York	marathon, and it was th	ne hardest thing I've ever done.
B The twenty-	mile point was the	worst because I had b	een running for three hours, I
was hungry, and I w	vas in a lot of pain.		
C The beginning	ing of the race was	a lot of fun because th	ne crowd was cheering and the
sun was shining.			
D I had to spe	nd about six month	ns training for the mara	athon before it even started.
E When I cro	ssed the finish line	, I could hardly walk a	nd I felt sick.
F After thirte	en miles, the middl	e of the marathon, my	legs began to hurt and I started
to get bored.			
G On the day	of the marathon, I h	nad to get up at 5 a.m. a	and get to the starting line. It was
cold, and everyone was	s very tired.		
2. Complete the text	with the best option	ns. (4 🗆 1: 4 points)	
		Why walk?	
you want. You don't have (3)you are able to can be problems, especia	e to depend on public o give lifts to friends, o lly if you live in a cit petrol, servici	ext of all	go wherever you want, wheneveryou feel more independent. opping. (4), there expensive, and you have to spend ou might also have problems with ars.
1)A) First of all	B) As a result	C) Personally	D) Besides this
2)A) however	B) personally	C) since	D) as a result
3)A) In contrast	B) In my view	C) Besides this	D) However
4)A) On the other hand	B) To sum up	C) Thus	D) For example
5)A) as	B) such as	C) owing to	D)then

- C. Write an opinion paragraph (at least 10 sentences) about one of the topics given below. (5 pnts)
- & "What do you want most in a friend someone who is intelligent, or someone who has a sense of humor, or someone who is reliable? Which one of these characteristics is most important to you?" Use reasons and specific examples to explain your choice.
- & Do you agree or disagree with the following statement? "Classmates are a more important influence than parents on a child's success in school". Use specific reasons and examples to support your answer.
- & Do you agree or disagree with the following statement? "Telephones and email have made communication between people less personal". Use specific reasons and examples to support your opinion.
- & Do you agree or disagree with the following statement? "Children should begin learning a foreign language as soon as they start school." Use specific reasons and examples to support your position.
- **& "Schools should ask students to evaluate their teachers".** Do you agree or disagree? Use specific reasons and examples to support your answer.
- Before you hand in your paper, check the questions given below; if necessary edit your paragraph accordingly.

## Editor's Checklist

- 1. Does the paragraph have a topic sentence that expresses an opinion about the topic?
- 2. Does the paragraph include any facts to support your opinion?
- 3. Do you provide explanations that support your opinion?
- 4. Do you tell any experiences that support your opinion?
- 5. Do you need to provide more reasons to support your opinion?
- 6. Does the paragraph have a concluding: sentence that restates the writer's opinion and comments on it in some way?

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Listening Section			
A. Listen to the telephone conversation about High Park Leisure C correct answer according to what you hear.	'enter	and cho	ose the
1. To become a member of High Park Leisure Centre, you should.			
a nang up and call the correct extension.			
b push the number 2 button on the phone,			
c stay on the line and wait for someone.			
2. The High Park Leisure Centre is open:			
a every day of the week.			
b on New Year's Day.			
c at the same times every day.			
3. If you are under 13:			
a you must pay £10 to skate.			
b you may not skate alone.			
c you cannot rent skates.			
4. You can play tennis any time:			
a when the Leisure Centre team has a match.			
b by dialing extension 67 of the Centre.			
c there is a free court available.			
5. If you go online, you can:			
a register for a class over the phone.			
b get a special discount.			
c see what classes are available.			
B. Listen to the radio programme about theories of learning and pursummary sentences in the appropriate order.	t the f	following	5
1. An example of behaviourist research is the work of Watson			
and Raynor.	[	. ]	
2. Experiments with dogs and rats have shown behaviourism at work.	ſ	_	
3. The theory of behaviourism has had a big impact on learning.	L	]	
4. There are different theories of learning.	[	j	
	[	]	
5. Watson and Raynor wanted to reverse their experiment.	[	]	

C. Listen to a driving instructor giving directions to a drive	er candidate and mark the
statements as (T) for True or (F) for False?	

1. Mr Radinski has not driven before.	1. [	]
2. Mr Radinski's father is a farmer.	2. [	]
3. Mr Radinski never had any problems driving before this lesson.	3. [	]
4. Mr Radinski hits a pedestrian at a roundabout,	4. [	]
5 The pedestrian is a woman.	5. [	]

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2. Complete the text	with the best opt	ions. (4 🛭 1: 4 points)	
		Why walk?	
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1)A) First of all	B) As a result	C) Personally	D) Besides this
2)A) however	B) personally	C) since	D) as a result
3)A) In contrast	B) In my view	C) Besides this	D) However
4)A) On the other hand	B) To sum up	C) Thus	D) For example
5)A) as	B) such as	C) owing to	D)then

- C. Write an opinion paragraph (at least 10 sentences) about one of the topics given below. (5 pnts)
- & "What do you want most in a friend someone who is intelligent, or someone who has a sense of humor, or someone who is reliable? Which one of these characteristics is most important to you?" Use reasons and specific examples to explain your choice.
- & Do you agree or disagree with the following statement? "Classmates are a more important influence than parents on a child's success in school". Use specific reasons and examples to support your answer.
- & Do you agree or disagree with the following statement? "*Telephones and email have made communication between people less personal*". Use specific reasons and examples to support your opinion.
- & Do you agree or disagree with the following statement? "Children should begin learning a foreign language as soon as they start school." Use specific reasons and examples to support your position.
- **& "Schools should ask students to evaluate their teachers".** Do you agree or disagree? Use specific reasons and examples to support your answer.
- Before you hand in your paper, check the questions given below; if necessary edit your paragraph accordingly.

## Editor's Checklist

- 1. Does the paragraph have a topic sentence that expresses an opinion about the topic?
- 2. Does the paragraph include any facts to support your opinion?
- 3. Do you provide explanations that support your opinion?
- 4. Do you tell any experiences that support your opinion?
- 5. Do you need to provide more reasons to support your opinion?
- 6. Does the paragraph have a concluding: sentence that restates the writer's opinion and comments on it in some way?