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INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

1. This question paper consists of 3 parts:
 - PART A (30 marks) : Reading & Vocabulary. There are TWO (2) sections in this part. Answer ALL questions in the question paper.
 - PART B (20 marks) : Grammar. There are TWO (2) sections in this part. Answer ALL questions in the question paper.
 - PART C (30 marks) : Writing. There is ONE (1) question. Answer the question in the question paper.
2. Candidates are not allowed to bring any unauthorised materials except writing equipment into the Examination Hall. Electronic dictionaries are strictly prohibited.
3. This question paper must be submitted along with all used and/or unused rough papers and/or graph paper (if any). Candidates are NOT allowed to take any examination materials out of the examination hall.
4. Only ballpoint pens are allowed to be used in answering the questions, with the exception of multiple choice questions, where 2B pencils are to be used.

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Total Number of pages = 12 (Including the cover page)

PART A : READING & VOCABULARY (30 MARKS)

INSTRUCTION (S) : Part A consists of **TWO (2)** sections. Answer **ALL** questions in the space provided.

SECTION 1 : (15 marks)

Instruction (s) : Read the passage below carefully and answer the following questions.

- A** There's no denying that women around the world have made great strides toward equality in the past century. One hundred years ago, women in the United States still didn't have the right to vote, and very few were allowed to pursue higher education or a meaningful career outside their household duties. Fast forward to today, and more than 70 percent of women between the ages of 20 and 54 are active members of the national workforce. On top of this, 2015 marked the first year when women were, on average, more likely to have a bachelor's degree than men, and this trend is on the rise.
- B** Despite all this newfound opportunity, the prevailing societal attitudes about what women are historically supposed to value still have a long way to go. That's why we've partnered with SK-II to learn more about all of the ways women are still pressured to stick to outdated gender norms. "Women have unprecedented rights. Thanks to the feminist movement, but as a society, we still expect women to prioritise family over career, or even over their own needs," says Silvia Dutchevici, a president and a founder of the Critical Therapy Center in New York City. Dutchevici says many women feel pressure to "have it all," meaning both a thriving career and the perfect family, but that can be very difficult to achieve.
- C** "Most women try to balance work and family but that balance is seldom equal.", Dutchevici says. In fact, she says working mothers — even those with partners — often find themselves essentially working two full-time jobs: keeping their career together while doing the brunt of housework, cooking and child-rearing. This happens for a variety of reasons, but societal expectations about the roles of women and men at home are still very much to blame, says Tamra Lashchuk, a Wall Street executive, business coach and author of the book "Lose the Gum: A Survival Guide to Women on Wall Street."
- D** "No matter how successful she is, the burden of running a household still falls on the woman's shoulders," Lashchuk says. "Men get more of a pass when it comes to these duties, especially those that involve children." Lashchuk says much of this pressure on women conforms to a more domestic lifestyle comes from friends and family.
- E** "In many people's minds, a woman's career success pales in comparison to having a family," she says. "Especially if the woman is single, no matter how great her professional achievements, almost every single one of her conversations with her family will include questions about her romantic life or lack thereof. I could literally tell my family I'd cured cancer and the conversation would still end with, but are you dating anyone?" While covert societal expectations might contribute to some of this inequality, workplace policies on maternity and paternity leave can hold a lot of the blame.

- F** “Unfortunately, many workplace policies regarding taking time off to care for family do not fulfil the need of their employees,” Dutchevici says. “Both men and women suffer in their careers when they prioritise family, but women carry far harsher punishments. Their choice to take time off and start a family can result in lower pay, and fewer promotions in the future. The right to family leave is not a woman’s issue; it is a society’s issue, a family’s issue.” Lashchuk agrees with this sentiment. “There should be more flexibility and benefits [in the workplace], like longer periods of time for paternity leave. If paternity leave was extended, men could share a greater responsibility in child care, and they could also spend more time bonding with their infant children, which is beneficial for the entire family.”
- G** Another less visible way the modern workplace forces women to choose family over a career has to do with the fact that women are pushing back pregnancy, says Jeni Mayorskaya, a fertility expert and CEO of Stork Club, an online community for women dedicated to fertility issues. “Compared to our parents, our generation is having children a decade later,” Mayorskaya says. “Unfortunately, when we hit our mid-30s and we’re finally ready for that managing position or that title of a partner at a firm we fought so hard for, we have to think about putting our career on pause and becoming a mom.”
- H** So, what can women do to combat these societal pressures? Finding workplaces that offer flexible schedules, work-at-home opportunities and ample maternity and paternity leave can be a good first step, but Dr. Neeta Bhushan, an emotional intelligence advocate and author, says women should also learn to put themselves first. “The first step is being mindful of your emotional health in your relationships with others and the relationship you have with yourself,” Bhushan says. “When you put yourself first, you are able to make a bigger impact on your community. This is different than being selfish — think beyond you. You want to make sure that you are being taken care of so that you can take care of others.”

Source: *All the ways women are still pressured to put family before career*, viewed 30 April 2018, <http://ielts-up.com/reading/academic-reading-sample-9.1.html>.

Questions 1 – 8 : (8 marks)

Instruction (s) : The reading passage above has eight paragraphs (A-H). Choose the correct heading for Paragraphs A-H from the list of headings (i-viii) below.

List of Headings

- i. Two "jobs" that women essentially do
- ii. Question about dating
- iii. Delaying pregnancy
- iv. The first year, when women are more likely to have a bachelor degree
- v. The reasons to put yourself first
- vi. The source of conformation to domestic lifestyle
- vii. Our expectancy over women's prioritisation
- viii. Pros of extended paternity

1. Paragraph A

2. Paragraph B

3. Paragraph C

4. Paragraph D

5. Paragraph E

6. Paragraph F

7. Paragraph G

8. Paragraph H

Questions 9-15 : (7 marks)

Instruction (s) : Choose **ONE (1)** correct alternative, A, B, C or D.

9. What happened to women in the USA one hundred years ago?
- A. They had no rights.
 - B. They were not allowed to pursue higher education.
 - C. They couldn't vote.
 - D. They were members of the national workforce.
10. According to Silvia Dutchevici:_____.
- A. feminist movement has more disadvantages than advantages.
 - B. now, we expect women to prioritise career over family.
 - C. now, we expect women to prioritise their own needs over family.
 - D. women rarely achieve equal balance between family and work.
11. What is the claim made by Tamra Lashchyk, a Wall Street executive?
- A. Most women are still responsible for the house duties.
 - B. Men don't really need to do any housework.
 - C. It's more important for women to have a career than a family.
 - D. Both A and B
12. Lashchyk agrees with Dutchevici on_____.
- A. women's rights and feminism
 - B. the fact that the right to family leave is a society's issue
 - C. the state of women's rights in America
 - D. the reason why women want to pursue their careers

13. Jeni Mayorskaya says that women nowadays_____.
- A. give birth later than they used to
 - B. don't push pregnancy back
 - C. have to think about putting careers on pause to become a mother
 - D. both A and C
14. How can women deal with societal pressure?
- A. They should be selfish.
 - B. They shouldn't work at home.
 - C. They should put themselves first.
 - D. They should avoid marriage at all.
15. In paragraph H, what is the word which describes a person to be able to succeed in dealing with a problem or difficulty?
- A. Advocate
 - B. Combat
 - C. Ample
 - D. Beyond

SECTION 2 : (15 marks)

Instruction (s) : Fill in the blanks with the correct words taken from the passage.

blame	conform	expect	beneficial	entire
flexible	dedicated	suffer	pressure	regarding
pursue	fought	prioritise	impact	visible

1. Naufal is eager to _____ his dreams. (1 mark)
2. Neelofer did not _____ the failure. (1 mark)
3. You have to _____ this job because you can't do everything. (1 mark)
4. Suraya _____ her life to helping people and animals. (1 mark)
5. The teacher talked to the students _____ their homework. (1 mark)
6. She's been doing exercises to become stronger and more _____. (1 mark)
7. The U.S. _____ Germany in World Wars I and II. (1 mark)
8. The kitchen does not _____ to hygiene regulations. (1 mark)
9. Regular exercise has many _____ health effects. (1 mark)
10. My plans are to travel the _____ world. (1 mark)
11. Monalisa is not to _____ for the accident. (1 mark)
12. Stars are _____ to the naked eye. (1 mark)
13. The poor economy will _____ on small businesses. (1 mark)
14. She _____ from unknown health problems. (1 mark)
15. It might be possible to _____ him into resigning. (1 mark)

END OF PART A

PART B : GRAMMAR (20 MARKS)

INSTRUCTION(S) : Part B contains **TWO (2)** sections. Answer **ALL** questions in the question paper.

SECTION 1 : (10 marks)

Instruction (s) : Complete the second sentences so the meaning is the same using a form of *have*.

1. Halim and Abdul change the oil in my car. (1 mark)

Halim and Abdul _____

2. The hairdresser cut her hair in a completely new style yesterday. (1 mark)

She _____

3. We will repaint our house. (1 mark)

We _____

4. I repair my DVD player. (1 mark)

I _____

5. The council built the town hall last two years. (1 mark)

The council _____

6. They will decorate the dais next week. (1 mark)

They _____

7. Amin and Nurul prepare a brief summary. (1 mark)

Amin and Nurul _____

8. We will refund their money. (1 mark)

We _____

9. They cleared the room without informing us. (1 mark)

They _____

10. She will write the prequel of Ant-Man and the Wasp tonight. (1 mark)

She _____

SECTION 2 : (10 marks)

Instruction (s) : Write the following sentences in reported speech. You must start your sentence with the words in brackets.

1. "I haven't spoken Italian since 1993." (I told them) (1 mark)

2. "She has been working here for two years." (He said) (1 mark)

3. "Where had you spent your money?" (They asked him) (1 mark)

4. "We had been writing a letter since 3.00 p.m." (We informed them) (1 mark)

5. "They will have helped their friends by next month." (Hamzah and Maher stated) (1 mark)

6. "They will have been watching Mid-night Sun by 7.00 p.m." (The movie directors announced) (1 mark)

7. "Peter has just cleaned the house." (Sara said) (1 mark)

8. "Amalin has not been teaching English for many years." (My mother mentioned) (1 mark)

9. "They had already eaten the beef." (I asserted) (1 mark)

10. "We had been reminding our supervisor several times." (Amira Khan and Jannah revealed)
(1 mark)

END OF PART B

