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P6 ENGLISH



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There are 10 blanks, numbered 1 to 10 in the passage below. From the list of words given, choose the most suitable word for each blank. Write its letter (A to Q) in the blank. The letters (I) and (O) have been omitted to avoid confusion during marking. (10 marks)

EACH WORD CAN BE USED ONLY ONCE

(A)	as	(D)	between	(G)	forward	(K)	off	(N)	while
(B)	at	(E)	did	(H)	in	(L)	since	(P)	with
(C)	but	(F)	for	(J)	of	(M)	upon	(Q)	which

It was the start of a brand new morning. The sun had yet to rise fully and birds could be heard chirping in the distance. Joe, (1)_____ his skateboard tucked under his arm, set (2)_____ for the skate park.

Joe crept out of his house. He had been so sure that no one saw him leaving the house. Little (3)______ he know, Mother was watching him the whole time. Joe's mother always advised him not to count his eggs before they hatched. Mother had warned him many times that he needed to work on his balance. However, he was caught (4)______ a rock and a hard place because while he knew she was right, he was determined to prove her wrong.

(5) ______ reaching the skate park, Joe watched the other skateboarders perform their stunts. He watched (6) ______ awe, with his mouth agape, wishing that he could be as good, if not better than them. He then decided that he would muster his courage and show the other skateboarders what he had to offer. (7) ______ he was nervous, he was also excited to show them some brand new tricks he had recently learnt.

Soon, it was time. He put his best foot (8) ______ and decided to skate down the ramp. At that precise moment, he got onto his skateboard and tried to



find his balance. Unfortunately (9) _____ him, his wheel got caught in a piece of cloth that was left lying on the ramp. He lost his balance and fell onto the ground with a resounding thud.

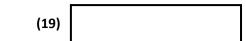
Thankfully, he was not badly injured. He only suffered some abrasions and cuts. He then looked at his skateboard to check on its condition. The skateboard, (10)______ had acted as a shield for his knees, saved him a lashing from his mother. It was then that he realised — perhaps mothers do always know best.



Each of the underlined words contains either a spelling or grammatical error. Write the correct word in each of the boxes. (10 marks)

	Alexander Graham Bell initially used Visible Speech, a method developed by								
	(11)								
	his father, to teach deaf people. Visible Speech uses <u>siimbles</u> to represent different								
sounds that are made when a person speaks. Bell further developed his father's									
	(12)								
	work and lectured around the country, promotion his ideas. With help from Bell,								
	oralism caught on and became the primary method through which deaf children were								
(1	3)								
	taught, well <u>in</u> the 20 th century.								
	It was through his work with the deaf and his careful study of how sound is								
(14)									
	trahnsmytted via the human voice that led Bell to the invention of the telephone.								
(15)									
•	Fascinating by Samuel Morse's telegraph, Bell set out to use what he knew about								
	(16)								
	sound and speech to improve upon the idea of transmitting komunicaytion. Bell								
(17)	(18)								
	<u>dehmunstrated</u> a "harmonic telegraph" – <u>the</u> early telephone – at the Centennial								





Exposition in Philadelphia in 1876. Also at 1876, Alexander Graham Bell filed a

patent for his invention, on the same day that another inventor, Elisha Gray, filed a



Telephone Company were involved in legal battles for several years.

Adapted from https://www.fi.edu/blog/Story-Behind-the-Telephone



Fill in each blank with a suitable word. (15 marks)

Reunion dinner is undoubtedly one of the most important events in the Chinese calendar. Family members usually (21)______ together for this meal on the eve of Chinese New Year. One can feast on a meal that (22)______ various dishes of meat and vegetables. Many reunion dinners feature a communal hot pot.

The Chinese hot pot (23)______ a history of more than 1000 years. The dish is believed to have originated (24)______ the Mongolians and subsequently appeared in China during the early Qing Dynasty. Soon, it spread to many places in China, rapidly (25)______ popularity due to the warmth and comfort it (26)______ to people during the cold winter months.

(27)______ reason for its popularity is that hot pot is highly customisable. Instead of just one soup broth flavour, multiple flavours can exist in a single pot. This (28)______ to the preferences of different diners. People can put in (29)______ ingredients they like. One can also customise the sauces they use to (30)______ their food into! With such flexibility, it is no (31)______ that the hot pot is loved by many. Having hot pot is (32)______ as a social event because the pot is placed in the (33)______ of the table and people will sit around it for their meal. This serves (34)______ a great opportunity for people to (35)______ up with their family and friends. This is why hot pot is

served in many families during the reunion dinner on Chinese New Year Eve.

