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Reading Skills
Mid Term Exam

I. Read the following paragraph and choose the main idea:

1. The best water companies try to make bottled water cleaner. If your tap water is polluted, bottled water is a good idea. Sometimes, however, government tests have found pollution in bottled water. So, even with bottled water, you must be careful.

- A Companies try to make water cleaner.
- B Bottled water is a good idea to guarantee safety.
- C Government tests have found pollution in bottled water.
- D One should be careful about choosing a safe way to drink water .

2. Although it is not as harmful as many other drugs, caffeine can hurt the body. Too much caffeine can cause insomnia, headaches, and nausea. It can change the way people think, feel, and behave.

The main idea in this passage is:

- A Caffeine is harmful.
- B Caffeine has Sid effects.
- C Caffeine is a drug.
- D The fast effect of caffeine.

3. Most classrooms have rules. Even college classrooms have rules. Although they may be different from rules in high school classrooms, they are still important. Understanding the rules of the classroom will help you be a successful student.

The main idea in this passage is:

- A The importance of rules in all kinds of classrooms.
- B The importance of understanding the rules of the classroom.
- C How to be a successful student.
- D The differences of rules in all classrooms.

4. Marie Shelton quit his job with the dream of starring his own printing business. When that didn't succeed, he looked for anew job. He found work as a **printer**, working 20 hours a week or \$4.25 an hour. He knows he needs a better education for a better income.

Using the context, the word **printer** in this paragraph means

- A computer output in printed form
- B person who prints books
- C a machine that prints papers
- D first in rank or importance

5. Even though Eduardo worked to help his family, his father always **encouraged** him to go to school. So, while he worked, he also studied. Many days he thought it was hopeless. But his father told him that he could do it.

Using the context, the word **encouraged** in this sentence means

- A give money
- B give help and support
- C give hope
- D agree

II. Choose the correct meaning of each vocabulary:

1. Distract means (taking one's attention – being present – constant).
2. Expect means (ready – look forward to -punctual).
3. Regularly means (on time– rules – constantly).
4. Policies mean (class plan – duties – rules).
5. Responsibilities mean (duties – rules – thoughts).

III. Choose the right word to go in the blank.

1. A word for feeling of sickness is -----
a. sickness b. symptoms c. nausea d. insomnia
2. ----- is good for insect bites.
a. Chicken soup b. Oatmeal c. Baking soda d. Ginger
3. When you mix water and baking soda, you get -----
a. insomnia b. a headache c. a paste d. an oatmeal
4. Home remedies are not always -----
a. effective b. dangerous c. safe d. all the mentioned
5. One symptom of motion sickness is-----
a. nausea c. sunburn b. itchiness c. bee stings

VI. Decide if the following statements are true (T) or false (F).

1. Small amount of lead in water cause brain damage. ()
2. One can't have a normal life with Asthma. ()
3. Caffeine is a bitter-tasting drug and it is not as addictive as other drugs. ()
4. Baking soda, oatmeal, and butter are good for all skin injuries. ()
5. Although coffee smells good, caffeine is not odorless. ()

VII. Write fact if the sentence is a fact. Write opinion if the sentence is an opinion.

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| 1. | _____ | Our family went to eat at Wong Chung Restaurant last night. |
| 2. | _____ | In 1906, a major earthquake destroyed San Francisco, California. |
| 3. | _____ | The movie Scooby Doo was not as good as the daily cartoon. |
| 4. | _____ | It would be more fun to be a bird than a fish. |
| 5. | _____ | The earth is the most suitable planet to live on. |

Best wishes
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