# GIRESUN UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF FOREIGN LANGUAGES

**DEPARTMENT OF BASIC ENGLISH**

**SAMPLE EXAM FOR DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE-SESSION 1**

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**PART 1 VOCABULARY**

1. We bumped \_\_\_\_\_ our teacher in primary school while we were \_\_\_\_\_ our way to the office.

a) on / at b) in / in c) into / on d) to / off

1. They are taking the extra time they were given \_\_\_\_\_ granted and do not use it as efficiently as they should be doing.

a) at b) on c) of d) for

1. Although he died centuries ago, some of his books are still \_\_\_\_\_ print because he could think \_\_\_\_\_ which attracts the readers.

a) on / over b) at / of c) in / ahead d) of / about

1. They used to live in \_\_\_\_\_ until they began to be affected by the World War II.

a) gratification b) prosperity c) span d) legacy

1. The hikers took another route because of the \_\_\_\_\_ paths hard to walk and made their way to the \_\_\_\_\_ through the woods.

a) steep / peak b) rugged / top c) petrified / valley d) vivid / angle

1. If you accept the job, we will \_\_\_\_\_ you for all of your accommodation expenses.

a) distract b) compensate c) tap d) fade

1. I \_\_\_\_\_ from Catholicism to Judaism in preparation for my wedding.

a) accepted b) remained c) steered d) converted

1. The captain checked whether all the crew was on \_\_\_\_\_ before they \_\_\_\_\_ off for their mission.

a) aboard / sail b) rank / count c) board / set d) deck / go

1. He had already declared his \_\_\_\_\_ before he passed away that’s why his \_\_\_\_\_ did not object to it.

a) legacy / descendants b) heritage / relations

c) beliefs / colleagues d) religion / neighbors

1. The new president’s wife is said to be \_\_\_\_\_ on his husband about the government \_\_\_\_\_.

a) actual / relationships b) influential / affairs

c) illusion / image d) effective / relations

1. He was \_\_\_\_\_ at something outside the window during the class time which made his instructor curious about what he noticed out there.

a) gathering b) experiencing c) staring d) reflecting

1. The climbers decided to make a \_\_\_\_\_ over the mountain \_\_\_\_\_ for their next trip.

a) decision / raw b) destination / range c) proposition / rank d) hesitation / top

1. She is \_\_\_\_\_ of her husband’s behaviors as he is acting \_\_\_\_\_ recently.

a) suspicious / weird b) suspended / strong

c) understanding / tiring d) aware / unbelievable

1. He mentioned some places worth\_\_\_\_\_ during his presentation of the region.

a) see b) seeing c) to see d) to be seen

1. They \_\_\_\_\_ him \_\_\_\_\_ stealing the jewelry right after the burglary but later he was proved to be innocent.

a) accused / for b) blamed / for c) denied / on d) apologized / for

**PART 2 GRAMMAR**

1. Alex \_\_\_\_\_ about moving house because he \_\_\_\_\_ through some problems with his landlord.

a) think / went b) thought / goes

c) is thinking / has been going d) thinks / goes

1. After he \_\_\_\_\_ as a waiter in a Mexican restaurant for ten years, he \_\_\_\_\_ his job and \_\_\_\_\_ a coffee shop.

a) has been working / quits / opens b) had worked / quit / opened

c) had worked / quits / opens d) has worked / quits / opens

1. The conference \_\_\_\_\_ on Friday but my flight does not leave until Sunday, so I \_\_\_\_\_ the whole weekend swimming and sightseeing.

a) will have finished / will have spent b) finishes / will have spent

c) have finished / will spend d) finishes / will be spending

1. Take a coat with you in case it \_\_\_\_\_ cold later.

a) is getting b) will get c) gets d) got

1. The 2000 Olympic Games in Sydney, Australia, which \_\_\_\_\_ by more than 10,000 athletes from almost 200 countries, \_\_\_\_\_ to have been the biggest and the best yet.

a) was attended / is thought b) attended / was thought

c) were attended / is thought d) was attended / have been thinking

1. We had our new shower \_\_\_\_\_ by a qualified plumber.

a) being installed b) installed c) was installed d) to install

1. I regret not \_\_\_\_\_ Ceren when she was in town last week.

a) to saw b) seeing c) to see d) have seen

1. Oh, you \_\_\_\_\_ have fed the dog, I gave him something earlier.

a) mustn’t b) couldn’t c) oughtn’t d) needn’t

1. He refused \_\_\_\_\_ me any more with my assignments.

a) having helped b) to be helping c) to help d) to have helped

1. \_\_\_\_\_ of us was asked to stand up and introduce ourselves on the group.

a) Any b) Each c) Every d) Much

1. It has taken me a while but now I \_\_\_\_\_ in a big city.

a) am getting used to living b) got used to live

c) am used to living d) used to live

1. If the forest fire \_\_\_\_\_, the whole forest\_\_\_\_\_ to the ground today.

a) hadn’t been put out / would have been burnt b) wasn’t put out / would have been burnt

c) isn’t being put out / have burnt d) hadn’t been put out / would be burnt

1. I usually go on holiday in August \_\_\_\_\_ the weather is the hottest so we can sunbathe and swim as we like.

a) in when b) where c) which d) when

1. Many animal species are becoming extinct, so if only people \_\_\_\_\_ hunting them.

a) stopped b) will stop c) stops d) would stop

1. He owns \_\_\_\_\_ house by \_\_\_\_\_ Thames, which he bought three years ago. Rumor has it that \_\_\_\_\_ house is haunted.

a) a / the / a b) a / -- / -- c) a / the / the d) a / --- / the

**PART 3 READING**

Thomas Edison began conducting experiments during his childhood. To start with, there were hundreds of unsuccessful experiments but Edison eventually invented and patented 2,500 items, including the electric lamp and phonograph. He was determined to “give laughter and light” to people, but, until he actually managed to do so, most people ridiculed him. Without losing hope, Edison attempted over 1,000 unsuccessful experiments in his efforts to make an electric lamp. When people told him he was wasting his time, energy, and money for nothing, Edison exclaimed, “For nothing! Every time I make an experiment, I get new results. Failures are stepping stones to success.” Determined to give people electric lamps, Edison said he’d meet his goal by early 1880. In October, 1879, he created his first electric lamp, and in so doing, received much praise. People realized that Edison’s invention was not affected by rain or wind, remaining constant through bad weather. Just as he had hoped, Edison provided people with light and laughter.

1. Edison conducted many unsuccessful experimental trials, \_\_\_\_\_.
2. most of which were very expensive and got him into financial difficulties
3. but the list of his patental inventions is a long one
4. but the people who knew him encouraged him to keep on trying
5. and on many occasions he felt his experiments were pointless
6. Once Edison had invented the electric lamp, \_\_\_\_\_.
7. he lost interest in carrying out experiments as he wasn’t at all interested in what people felt about it
8. he admitted that at one point he had very nearly given up the project
9. people were particularly impressed by the fact that wind and rain had no damaging effect on it
10. he felt discouraged because he had failed to meet the goal he had set himself for the completion of his invention
11. With the phrase, “Failures are stepping stones to success”, Edison meant that \_\_\_\_\_.
12. one should forget one’s failures as soon as possible
13. success and failure are both a matter of chance, the point is just to keep trying
14. there are two kinds of failure: those that lead to success and those that don’t
15. the knowledge and experience that one gains from failure contributes to success
16. According to the passage, when Edison was working on an invention, he \_\_\_\_\_.
17. was not discouraged by the possibility of failure
18. was keen to pass on to others the knowledge he had
19. was very secretive about what he was doing
20. felt embarrassed by periods of no progress
21. When Edison was working on the electric lamp, \_\_\_\_\_.
22. he knew for certain that he would attain success very quickly
23. no one felt that an electric lamp was in any way desirable
24. he was hindered by rain and bad weather in general
25. people didn’t believe that it was possible at all

**PART 4 LISTENING**

**Listening 1. Listen to this guide speaking about the historical Haybridge Hall and complete the gaps with ONE or TWO words.**

Welcome to Haybridge Hall and thank you for choosing to use our Guide-O-Matic to help you make the most out of your stay here. This guide is available in six other languages. Just ask at the ticket office. The general history of the house is as follows:

Haybridge Hall was constructed at the end of the **1.**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and was originally called Hawken Hall after the first family who owned it. Jack Hawken was a local businessman who had become wealthy thanks to success with wool exports. The house has changed very little in the last 500 years with the exception of the Dawson Conservatory which can be found behind the ticket office. This was added in **2.** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ when the British Army was using Haybridge Hall as a headquarters for the 8th Army. Churchill is said to have spent two nights at Haybridge in the main guest bedroom in the build up to the Normandy Landings in June 1944.

The Hawken family only managed to hold onto this fine 3. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for around a decade before they had to sell up and the name Haybridge was used by the aristocrats who bought it. The Yardley family were not from this area, but from the north of England. They owned Haybridge for some 200 years and turned the surrounding area into productive farmland where \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, from wheat to potatoes, were grown.