

**Part 1**

**Questions 1 to 8** are based on the given stimuli.

Study the information carefully and choose the **best** answer **A, B, or C**.

For each question, mark your answer on the answer sheet.

**AZAMI'S BLOG – SUNDAY, 10 MAY 2025**

Like many people from his time, my dad did not finish school because his family was poor. Five years ago, he told us that he wanted to join an accounting course in a college.

I thought he was already too busy and might not be able to do it. However, he worked during the day and studied late at night.

Today, he finished his course and got his certificate! I feel very proud to be his son. He will always be my role model.

**1** What did Azam's father achieve?

- A** He finished high school.
- B** He completed his studies.
- C** He managed to quit his job.

"I started making my own soap at home. I tried many kinds of soap from the store, but nothing helped. My skin is very sensitive, and most soaps made it worse. Then, I decided to try natural oils and herbs. They were gentle and made my skin feel much better. My family and friends saw the results and asked if they could try my soap too. After that, I thought it would be a good idea to start a small business." - Luna Ahmad

**2** Why did Luna start making her own soap?

- A** She planned to start her own business.
- B** She wanted to improve her skin condition.
- C** She received orders from family and friends.

### ANNOUNCEMENT

The Ayer Jernih City Council has started a free transport service for senior citizens who need to visit health centres. This service will run only on weekdays for now. It is made possible by a donation from a local company, which gave two vans and a minibus.

Residents who want to use the service can contact the city council office for more information and to book a ride. The service will be fully available once the council can find more volunteers to help.

3 Which of the following is **true** about the announcement?

- A The transport service is open for all citizens.
- B The full service is ready to be used by the elderly.
- C The free service provides two vans and a minibus.

To	:	mikael@email.com
Subject	:	Your podcast!
<p>Hi Mikael,</p> <p>I just finished listening to your latest podcast episode. Well done! I really enjoyed how you explained new digital trends in a clear and simple way. You made difficult ideas easy to understand. It was exciting to hear how technology is changing.</p> <p>I'd love to know what websites or platforms you use for your research. I'm thinking about starting my own podcast, and your episode gave me the motivation to begin.</p> <p>Let's catch up soon. I'd really like to share ideas with you!</p> <p>Best wishes, Amani</p>		

4 From the email, we know that Amani

- A is interested in changing technology.
- B is asking to join Mikael's next episode.
- C is thinking of launching her own podcast.

Fast food ads are made to attract many kinds of people, no matter their age, culture, or way of life. These ads often use bright colours, fun music, and famous people to catch your attention. The aim is to make the food look fun and hard to say no to. Advertisers study what different groups enjoy, then make messages that can change their choices. Even people who don't eat fast food often can feel interested. That's why it's important to understand how advertising works.

5 According to the excerpt, how do ads attract customers?

- A By using joyful music.
- B By giving fun looking food.
- C By sending messages to everyone.

### Why Colourful Food Is Good for Your Health

Eating colourful food helps people eat more fruits and vegetables. A study showed that colourful meals made people choose healthier food. Colourful food also makes meals more interesting and can help you eat more. The "rainbow diet" includes herbs, spices, beans, nuts, seeds, tea, and even white food like tofu. These foods give your body important nutrients. According to Dr. Rachel from Sword University, eating colourful food may help lower the risk of heart disease, cancer, and memory problems.

6 Which of the following is **false** about the extract?

- A it provides many health benefits.
- B it encourages more fruits than vegetables intake.
- C it makes meals more appealing and tempting to eat.

Finding the Best Bargain

When shopping in a mall, choosing the best bargain means looking at more than just price. One product may look attractive but cost too much. Another might be cheap, but the quality may not last. A better choice could be something with a discount, good quality, and a warranty. It gives more value for the money. It's important to compare all features before buying. So, next time you shop, ask yourself: Am I choosing the best value, or just the cheapest option? Think before you buy!

- 7 According to the passage, why do shoppers need to find the best deal?
- A To purchase items that are worth the money.
  - B To buy products with the best price available.
  - C To compare quality and buy products with a warranty.

**The Danger of Modern Communication**

Modern communication is fast and easy, but it also comes with risks. Spending too much time online can harm real-life relationships. People may feel lonely even when they are always connected. Sometimes, messages are misunderstood without face-to-face contact. Social media can also spread false information quickly, which may confuse or upset others. In some cases, people face online bullying or become addicted to their phones. While technology is helpful, it's important to use it carefully and take breaks to stay healthy and safe.

- 8 From the text, what is one danger of modern communication?
- A Spending long hours online can affect your real-life relationships.
  - B Online messages can be misunderstood without face-to-face contact.
  - C Modern communication helps spread true and useful information quickly.

## Part 2

Questions 9 to 18 are based on the following passage.

Read the passage carefully and choose the **best** answer **A**, **B**, **C** or **D** to fill in each blank.  
For each question, mark your answer on the answer sheet.

**Boxing Beyond the Ring**

Boxing is a sport that needs not only strong muscles but also a strong **(0)** \_\_\_\_\_. Boxers must be ready to take punches as well as **(9)** \_\_\_\_\_ them. A good boxer learns how to watch the opponent's moves carefully and respond **(10)** \_\_\_\_\_. Being fast and alert can help a boxer win the match.

Besides fitness, boxers spend a lot of time **(11)** \_\_\_\_\_ footwork, timing, and balance. These skills are very important for both defence and attack. Boxers also do sparring with partners. Sparring helps them practise real **(12)** \_\_\_\_\_ situations and try out different techniques. These practice sessions also help boxers build teamwork and **(13)** \_\_\_\_\_ their confidence.

During real fights, boxers try to score points by hitting the head or body clearly and cleanly. Judges give points for good aim and power but the biggest **(14)** \_\_\_\_\_ is to get a knockout. This needs good timing, strong punches, and sometimes a little luck. One strong punch can **(15)** \_\_\_\_\_ the whole match, even if a boxer is behind in points.

Fans enjoy the excitement of boxing but **(16)** \_\_\_\_\_ is very important too. Referees are trained to stop the fight right away if a boxer is in danger or cannot protect themselves. Doctors are also **(17)** \_\_\_\_\_ to the ring, ready to help if needed.

Boxing training is hard and requires a lot of effort and discipline. Boxers do a lot of cardio exercises, weight training, and sparring sessions. Mental strength is very important as well. Coaches help boxers build a strong mindset and teach them how to control their **(18)** \_\_\_\_\_ during fights. Boxing is more than just a sport. It teaches important lessons like self-control, hard work, and respect.

- 0**     **(A)**   mind  
         **B**   power  
         **C**   speed  
         **D**   strength

- 9**     **A**   give  
         **B**   accept  
         **C**   remove  
         **D**   practise

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- 10    A    slowly  
      B    quickly  
      C    urgently  
      D    smoothly
- 11    A    trying  
      B    giving  
      C    training  
      D    gaining
- 12    A    game  
      B    match  
      C    contest  
      D    tournament
- 13    A    rise  
      B    turn  
      C    push  
      D    grow
- 14    A    goal  
      B    dream  
      C    vision  
      D    intention
- 15    A    direct  
      B    change  
      C    manage  
      D    improve
- 16    A    aim  
      B    luck  
      C    safety  
      D    timing
- 17    A    seal  
      B    shut  
      C    clear  
      D    close
- 18    A    anger  
      B    thrills  
      C    courage  
      D    feelings

**Part 3**

**Questions 19 to 26** are based on the following passage.

*Read the passage carefully and choose the **best** answer **A, B, C** or **D**.  
For each question, mark your answer on the answer sheet.*

Sometimes, I feel lost and alone, like I am standing at a huge crossroads with no clear path. My name is Yumna, and I want to share my life with you, the dreams I chased, the deep pain I faced, and the quiet strength I found when everything seemed to fall apart.

I was always an excellent student. When I got my SPM results, everyone praised me and said I was destined for success but deep inside, my heart belonged to fashion. I loved designing clothes, mixing colours, and dreaming of beautiful styles. Still, I kept this secret because I knew my family had bigger plans for me.

Then, I got a full scholarship to study aerospace engineering in Japan. My parents were overjoyed. They dreamed of this for me, so I swallowed my own wishes and said yes to theirs. It felt like I was leaving my real self behind.

Life in Japan was lonely and very hard. I struggled with a new language and strange customs. I missed my family but I worked hard and received my scroll. After that, I found a good job working with airplanes. For a moment, I thought I had everything I wanted.

I married a handsome Japanese man, and at first, life felt like a fairytale. He was kind and warm, and we had two beautiful children. I gave up my career to become a full-time wife and mother, believing that was my true purpose. But slowly, things changed. The love faded, arguments became common, and he stopped caring. I felt alone, like **a bird in a golden cage**.

When he asked for a divorce, my heart broke. The court battles were exhausting. There were days when I could barely stand, nights when I cried alone, staring at my sleeping children. I asked myself over and over, "How will I protect them without him? What future do they have now?" Those were the darkest moments of my life, moments when I almost gave up hope.

After the divorce, I returned to Malaysia, feeling lost but determined. I tried to find work, but no one needed a single mother with an aerospace background. I began to question everything I sacrificed. Fortunately, my family stood by me.

My parents and siblings wrapped me in love and support. Their kindness was the light that pulled me out of the darkness. Without them, I do not know what I would have done.

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I worked as a freelance designer, creating 3D models from home. It paid the bills but never enough to feel truly safe. Every day was a battle to keep my family afloat. Sometimes, I felt overwhelmed by worry. How would I provide a better life for my children? How could I be the mother they deserved?

One evening, I found my old fashion sketchbook. I opened it slowly, and memories flooded back. My true passion. In that moment, I made a decision. I would follow my heart again, no matter how hard it might be.

I began selling clothes online, starting small but dreaming big. At first, the orders were few, but slowly, my work gained followers and praise. People liked my designs, and I felt my confidence grow with each new message.

After three years, I saved enough money to open a small boutique. Running it was hard. I was alone in this fight, juggling everything with trembling hands. But for the first time in many years, I felt alive. Hope filled my heart again, and I knew I was on the right path.

Through everything, I learned valuable lessons. Being a daughter means honouring your family but never losing yourself. Being a wife means loving deeply, even when it hurts and being a mother means finding strength you never knew you had.

I am still learning to balance these roles, daughter, wife, mother, and a woman chasing her dreams. Above all, I want my children to see that no matter how broken life makes you, you can rise again. You can fight. You can live. This is me, a woman who fell and stood up again, a mother who fights fiercely for her children, and a dreamer who finally found her own path.

**19** Why did Yumna choose to accept the scholarship?

- A** She wanted to pursue fashion.
- B** She dreamed of studying abroad.
- C** She fulfilled her parents' wishes.
- D** She aimed to become an engineer.



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- 20** How did Yumna describe her experience studying in Japan?
- A** It was like not being her true self.
  - B** It was difficult to get a place to stay.
  - C** It was hard to learn a different culture.
  - D** It was a struggle to speak in her own language.
- 21** How did Yumna describe her early married life?
- A** Like a fairytale.
  - B** Cold and distant.
  - C** Difficult but respectful.
  - D** Full of misunderstanding.
- 22** Why did Yumna feel like a “**bird in a golden cage**”?
- A** She was forced to quit her job for her family.
  - B** She was confused about her husband’s actions.
  - C** She was physically trapped at home by her husband.
  - D** She was emotionally trapped even with all the luxury.
- 23** In paragraph 6, what was Yumna’s fear about her divorce?
- A** Her children’s future.
  - B** Her ex-husband’s future.
  - C** Her life without a husband.
  - D** Her family’s expectation of her.
- 24** What helped Yumna recover after her divorce?
- A** Her new job in Malaysia.
  - B** Her medication and therapy.
  - C** Her children’s school success.
  - D** Her family’s love and support.

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- 25** How did Yumna start her small business?
- A** She opened her own boutique.
  - B** She started selling her clothes online.
  - C** She hired resellers to sell her clothes.
  - D** She promoted her clothes through influencers.
- 26** What can you conclude about Yumna's understanding of being a woman from her story?
- A** A woman's responsibility is to be ready to sacrifice own dreams for others.
  - B** A woman's strength comes from her ability to endure pain, frustration and rise again.
  - C** A woman's dreams must be based on what others had planned in order to be successful.
  - D** A woman's job can be compromised after marriage in order to be a good mother and wife.

## Part 4

**Questions 27 to 32** are based on an article about the role of technology in weather forecasting.

Read the passage carefully and choose the **best** answer **A, B, C or D**.

For each question, mark your answer on the answer sheet.

### The Role of Technology in Weather Forecasting

Weather prediction has become more accurate and helpful in recent years because of technology. In the past, people could only guess the weather by looking at the sky or feeling the wind. Today, scientists use special machines and tools to study the weather and give early warnings to people.

One important tool for weather prediction is the satellite. Satellites go around the Earth in space and take pictures of clouds, storms, and other weather changes. These pictures help scientists see how the weather is moving. 27

Another useful machine is the weather radar. A radar sends signals into the sky and receives them back. 28  This helps weather experts understand how strong a storm is and how fast it is moving.

Computers are also very important in weather forecasting. 29  Then, it makes a model that shows what the weather might look like in the next few hours or days. These models are very helpful to farmers, travellers, and many others.

In addition, weather prediction helps save lives. For example, if a big storm is coming, people can leave the area before it gets dangerous. 30  Thanks to weather technology, fewer people are surprised by natural disasters.

Technology also helps people plan their daily lives. 31  Farmers can decide when to plant or harvest their crops by checking the weather forecast. This helps them grow more food and lose less.

Even schools, airports, and sports events use weather forecasts to make safe decisions. A flight can be delayed if a storm is near, and a football game might be moved to another day if heavy rain is expected. 32

In conclusion, technology has made it easier and faster to predict the weather. It helps people stay safe, plan their activities, and prepare for natural disasters. As technology continues to improve, weather forecasting will become even more useful in the future.

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| <b>A</b> Flood warnings can also help people move to safer places.                 | <b>E</b> They can also study temperature and wind patterns from space.                        |
| <b>B</b> The signals tell when and where it is raining or snowing.                 | <b>F</b> Knowing the weather in advance helps many people avoid problems.                     |
| <b>C</b> It stores historical data and is involved in generating future forecasts. | <b>G</b> They can collect a lot of information from satellites, radars, and weather stations. |
| <b>D</b> If someone knows it will rain, they can take an umbrella or stay indoors. | <b>H</b> Satellites send signals that change cloud directions from space.                     |

## Part 5

**Questions 33 to 40** are based on the following texts.

Read the text carefully and answer the questions that follow.

## FINANCIAL PRACTICES

**A - Jazul, a college student**

I've learned the importance of managing my budget early on. Keeping track of my expenses and planning how to spend my money each month helps me avoid unnecessary debt. Budgeting gives me a sense of control over my finances and helps me save for important goals like education or travel.

**B - Izyan, a teacher**

I'm very conscious of what I buy and try not to fall into the trap of consumerism. Just because something is popular or on sale doesn't mean I need it. I prefer to spend money on things that add real value to my life, and I avoid impulse buying. For me, being a mindful consumer is about making smart, intentional choices.

**C - Emily Tan, a secretary**

Saving has always been a priority for me. I set aside a portion of my income every month, even if it's just a small amount. I believe in being prepared for emergencies or unexpected situations. It gives me peace of mind and helps me feel secure about the future.

**D - Haniah, an accountant**

I enjoy learning about investing. It's not just about saving money but also making it grow over time. I've started exploring things like stocks and mutual funds. Financial literacy, in my opinion, is something everyone should be taught—it empowers us to make informed decisions and build wealth over time.

**E - Saritha, a mother**

Advertising influences many of our buying decisions, often without us realising it. I try to teach my children how to think critically about advertisements and not believe everything they see. It's important to question the messages we get from the media and understand the motives behind marketing.

**F - Hasliana, a nature lover**

I believe in sustainable spending. I look for eco-friendly products and avoid fast fashion. For me, being financially aware also means understanding the impact of our purchases on the environment and society. I try to support brands that are ethical and transparent.

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### Questions 33 to 36

Using the information given, which text (A-F) describes the following views on financial practices?  
For each question, mark your answer on the answer sheet.

	Statement	Paragraph
33	I buy what I need, not what I want.	.....
34	I put my money where it can grow.	.....
35	I keep a budget to control my expenses.	.....
36	I save for things I hope would not happen.	.....

### Questions 37 - 40

Using words from the texts, complete the summary below. Choose **no more than one word** for each blank.

Write your answer on the answer sheet.

#### Financial Awareness

Many people focus on saving money regularly, even small amounts, to be ready for emergencies and feel safe about the (37) \_\_\_\_\_. Some track their expenses and plan budgets carefully to avoid debt and save for important goals while others avoid buying things just because they are popular or on sale, choosing to spend only on what truly adds (38) \_\_\_\_\_. Furthermore, some learn how to use money wisely through stocks and funds which helps increase their savings over time. Many try to choose environmentally friendly (39) \_\_\_\_\_ and stay away from fast fashion, knowing their spending affects the world around them. In addition, it is also important to educate (40) \_\_\_\_\_ to think carefully about advertisements because ads can trick anyone to believe everything they are selling. Finally, being mindful with money means making smart and responsible choices.

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