I. Reading Section (20 marks)

Read about restaurant etiquette in Japan.

Eating Out in Japan

Japanese culture is very different from other cultures, so it's important to know what to expect before you go there. Here are our tips on how to behave in Japanese restaurants.

Entering the Restaurant

When you enter a restaurant, you're greeted with the expression "irasshaimase" meaning "please come in", or "welcome". Waiters and waitresses are taught to be very efficient, polite and attentive, and will usually lead you to your table immediately. If they don't, you can assume that it is OK to sit at any table.

While a majority of restaurants in Japan are equipped exclusively with Western style tables and chairs, restaurants with low traditional tables are also common. Some restaurants feature both styles side by side. In traditional restaurants, you should take off your shoes at the entrance, or before stepping onto the seating area.

Eating

After you sit down, a glass of water or tea will be served for free and later refilled. You also receive a wet towel (oshibori) for cleaning your hands. If chopsticks are not already set, you ought to find some in a box on the table. They are often wooden chopsticks that need to be separated into two before you use them.

At some restaurants, such as izakaya, it is common for everyone in the party to order and share various dishes. At restaurants that serve set menus, bowl dishes (such as domburi or noodle soups) or Western style dishes, each person usually orders and eats their own meal.

Paying

The bill will be presented upside down, either as you receive the meal, or after you finish eating. In most restaurants, you are supposed to bring your bill to the cashier near the exit when leaving. Some restaurants, especially cheaper ones, have slightly different systems for ordering and paying. For example, in many ramen and gyudon restaurants, "meal tickets" are bought at a vending machine near the store's entrance and given over to the staff who then prepare and serve the meal.

Tipping in Japan is not common or expected and the staff may chase you out of the restaurant to give back any money left behind. Instead, it is polite to say "gochisosama deshita" ("thank you for the meal") when you leave.

Answer the questions about the article. (7 marks)

1-2. What's special about traditional Japanese restaurants? Write two things. (2 marks)
3. In Japanese restaurants, do the customers usually choose where they want to sit?
4. What do the waiters always serve the customers before they order their meal?
5. What kind of dish is domburi?
6. In cheap restaurants, does the customer usually pay before or after the meal?
7. Is it a good idea to tip the waiter or waitress?
Choose the best definitions (a-f) for the words (8-13) from the article. (3 marks)

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<td>10. When you step, ...</td>
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<td>12. A set menu is ...</td>
<td>e. ... things that Japanese people use to eat instead of a knife and fork.</td>
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<td>13. When you chase someone, ...</td>
<td>f. ... you are careful to help someone.</td>
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Read the article.

Tue Sep 30 2008 LONDON (Reuters) - The credit crisis and tight student budgets hold no fears for a British teenager who won 7 million pounds ($12.68 million) on the Lottery.

Ianthe Fullagar, 18, from Cumbria, northern England, said she still plans to go to university next year to study law, despite her huge win in the EuroMillions game.

Although she won't need a student loan or inflated overdraft, she said she hopes to be just like the others at college.

"I'm going to live the life of a student. I'm going to live in student digs," she told the BBC on Tuesday. "I love baked beans."

The teenager said she screamed so loudly when she checked her ticket that her dog jumped up and bit her on the bottom.

She hid her winning ticket in her bra before moving it to a jewelry box and then her gym bag while she waited for her win to be confirmed.

After receiving her check, she said she plans to spend her winnings on her family and friends and a new Ford Ka.

14. Choose the best title for the article. (1 mark)
   a. A day in the life of a lottery student
   b. Teenager celebrates $12 million lottery win
   c. The price of winning the lottery
   d. Girl spends lottery money on new car

Are the statements true or false? If the statements are false, re-write them so that they are true. (5 marks)

15. Ianthe Fullagar is currently studying law at university.
16. She wants to have an extravagant student lifestyle.
17. Her dog celebrated the lottery win with her.
18. She was nervous about losing her lottery ticket so she put it in many different places.
19. She's going to use the money to pay for her degree, buy a car and give presents to her family and friends.

Read the article and do the activities.

Cat Burglar Becomes Headache For Owner

LONDON (Reuters) - Friday October 8 The thieving habits of a tomcat named Tommy have become a headache for his British owner, who worries that people may think she groomed her pet to be a cat burglar.

After slipping out through the catflap at night, Tommy has returned with all manner of stolen goods, including shoes, designer clothes, a bag of coins and a golf umbrella, British newspapers said on Friday.

"It was funny at first but the haul just got more and more adventurous, with matching pairs of expensive trainers," Ali Daffin of Taunton in southwestern England told the Mirror.

Daffin reckons Tommy's "modus operandi" is to slip into other people's catflaps but she has not been able to track down the owners of the 50 items her pet has dragged home.

"It's becoming embarrassing," she told the Mirror. "It looks like I've trained him."

Vocabulary

groom - train, teach

- modus operandi: a person's usual way of doing things and the methods they use

- catflap - a small door designed for cats to enter and leave houses when they want

- drag - carry along the ground

Answer the questions. (4 marks)

20. What do you think a burglar is?
21. How many things has the cat stolen?
22. How does the cat enter people's homes?
23. How does Ali Daffin feel about her cat's activity?
II. Use of English Section (50 marks)

Look at Diana's diary for next week. Complete the sentences about her future arrangements. (5 marks)

Example: On Monday at 10am, she's playing tennis with Kevin.

24. On Tuesday ________________________
25. On Wednesday ________________________
26. On Thursday ________________________
27. On Friday ________________________
28. On Saturday ________________________

Complete the following phrases with your own ideas using the correct form of the first or second conditional. (8 marks)

Example: If she doesn’t pass her exams, her parents will be extremely angry.

29. Guayaquil would be a lot safer if ...
30. If it rains tomorrow, ...
31. If he studied harder, ...
32. He’ll get lost if ...
33. If you arrive late, ...
34. If I oversleep, ...
35. If I could do any job, ...
36. I’d buy a new car if ...

Write the correct verb with these phrases. (6 marks)

visit fall check deal go do get (x2)
pack chat have travel take

Example: visit relatives

37. ____ clubbing 45. ____ sacked
38. ____ some gardening 46. ____ a nap
39. ____ to people online 47. ____ into a hotel
40. ____ on your own 48. ____ asleep
41. ____ with a problem
42. ____ a good journey
43. ____ back from somewhere
44. ____ your suitcase

Write the following sentences in the passive. (4 marks)

Example: The Beatles sang Yesterday. Yesterday was sung by the Beatles.

49. Carlos Fuentes wrote Gringo Viejo.
50. Ecuador exports bananas and pineapples.
51. Brazil didn’t win the World Cup in 2006.
52. Over 1 billion people use the Internet.

Write the words related to the kitchen. (3 marks)

Example: lamb

53. b 56. a f 59. p
54. b 57. c
55. a 58. a s

Complete the conversation in a shop with the words/phrases from the box. (5 marks)

Can I help you? bigger too small can I try would you like to pay take them credit card the fitting room the amount your receipt I'll have a look

ASSISTANT Good afternoon. Can I help you?
CUSTOMER Yes, (59) ______ these jeans on please?
ASSISTANT Yes, of course.
CUSTOMER Where’s (60) ________ ?
ASSISTANT It’s over there.
CUSTOMER Thanks!

CUSTOMER Hm mm . I like them, but they’re (61) _______. Have you got them in a (62) ______ size?
ASSISTANT (63) ________. Yes, here’s a pair.
CUSTOMER They’re perfect! I’ll (64) ________ .
ASSISTANT How (65) ________ ?
CUSTOMER By (66) ________ .
ASSISTANT That’s fine. Check (67) _______ and sign here, please.
CUSTOMER Thanks.
ASSISTANT You’re welcome! Here’s (68) _______.
Make questions with you using these words. Then, answer the questions. (10 marks)
Example: Why / learn / English?
Why are you learning English?
Because I need it to get my degree.

69-70. How often / go / to the beach / when / be / a child?
71-72. What time / usually / get up?
73-74. What / do / now?
75-76. What / do / last weekend?
77-78. How / feel / at the moment?

Read Jeremy’s email to his cousin, Sonia. Complete the gaps with verbs in the Past Simple, Present Perfect or Present Perfect Continuous. (9 marks)

Dear Sonia,
I’ve just finished my homework, so I’ve got a few minutes to write to you.
Life at university is really difficult. The teachers are very strict. Last week, I missed my algebra class because I arrived late! And I got five out of ten for my homework! I study really hard since then to try and get better grades. I never be so tired!
Any way, how are you? Aunt Clare told me that you were working for Microsoft. Is that true? How long you work there? It sounds really exciting! I work for a big company like Microsoft. Is it hard work? I guess the people are really intelligent.
I have to go! My friends just arrived. We’re going to the cinema this evening.
Take care,
Jeremy

III. Listening Section (20 marks)

Listen to two voicemail messages. Are these sentences true (T) or false (F)? (8 marks)
Example: The two people are calling a woman named Juliet. T

First message
88. Sandy and some friends want to go to the cinema on Sunday night.
89. Some of the group are going to meet at Sandy’s house first.
90. Everyone is meeting at 10pm outside the club.
91. They will probably go home by taxi.

Second message
92. Juliet’s father wants to organize a party for his wife.
93. The party is going to be on the 8th.
94. Juliet’s grandmother is going to stay for a few days.
95. It’s OK for Juliet to talk to her mother about the party.

Listen to the man talking about his life. Choose the correct answer. (7 marks)

96. How did the man feel when he worked for a multinational company?
a. bored   b. stressed   c. satisfied
97. How many hours a day did he work?
a. 10 hours   b. 12 hours   c. 14 hours
98. His friends thought that he should …
a. find an easier job   b. work harder   c. move to the country
99. How long has he had his own company?
a. a year and a half   b. a year   c. six months
100. Where do his wife’s parents live?
a. in the same village   b. in the next village.   c. in London

101. Who has he borrowed money from?
a. his wife’s parents   b. his friends   c. the bank
102. What would he do if he won the lottery?
a. He’d stop working;
   b. He’d continue working;
   c. He’d move back to the city.

A woman is talking about the last time she played golf. Are the sentences true (T) or false (F)? (5 marks)
Example: She has played golf many times since she was a teenager. F

103. The last time she played golf, it was two friends.
104. They played in sandals.
105. The hot sun made conditions difficult.
106. She lost nine golf balls.
107. On the whole, the experience was good.

IV. Writing Section (10 marks)

Question One: Your friend’s brother stole his credit card and used it to buy lots of things on the Internet. Now your friend has to pay the credit card bill. Write an email to the friend. Give him some advice about his problem. (5 marks)

Question Two: Describe a holiday you’ve had. Where did you go? What did you do? Who did you go with? What was the place like? (5 marks)