I. Reading Section (15 marks)

Read this text about a stockbroker.

**WE ARE WHAT WE EARN**

I want to tell you about Bob Hainemann. He works at the New York Stock Exchange; he always dresses in a grey suit, and he always worries about money. He admits that he has a lot of good things in his life: he married a nice woman named Lois; they have a nice little daughter; they live in a nice little suburb. But he is worried because he is not as secure financially as his parents were. His greatest fear is of *never having enough*. He always wants more. As he tells me about that, I realise that Bob is always going to worry, because the fear of *never having enough* is one of the strongest anxieties in American life.

Money, of course, says a lot about us, and about our place in society. We always want higher salaries. With a high salary, we think, we are better people, more valuable to society. We can say that money isn’t important to us, but our attitude towards money tells us a lot about ourselves and about our society. And in our society, we are what we earn.

Source: *True to Life Elementary Class Book/ Joanne Collie & Stephen Slater / CUP / 1995 / page 132*

A. Answer the questions. (4 marks)

1. What does Bob like to wear?
2. What is his problem?
3. What is good about his life? Mention two things.
4. What is people’s attitude to money, according to the article?

B. Choose the best definition (a, b or c) for the underlined words or phrases. (2 marks)

1. “Bob is always going to worry because the fear of *never having enough* is one of the strongest anxieties in American life.”
   a. feeling bad because you didn’t have much money in the past
   b. being worried because you don’t know how to spend the money you have
   c. being frightened that you won’t have a sufficient amount of money

2. “Bob is always going to worry because the fear of *never having enough* is one of the strongest *anxieties* in American life.”
   a. worries
   b. attitudes
   c. social status
Read the article about a Hollywood actress.

Joan Chen is famous both in China, where she grew up, and in the United States, where she now lives. How did Joan become a famous actress in two countries? It's an interesting story.

Joan Chen was born in Shanghai in 1961. When she was 14, some people from a film studio came to her school and chose her to study at the studio. She was happy about this chance, but mainly she liked the idea of getting out of school. Soon, however, she discovered that she really liked acting. At age 18, she won the Golden Rooster, China’s top film award.

In the late 1970s, Joan’s parents, who were doctors, moved to the United States. Joan joined them when she was 20 and went to college there. Her parents hoped she would study medicine. Instead, she majored in film and later looked for work as an actress. To work in the United States, Joan had to start all over again. She told Hollywood agents that she was an actress in China, but she only got some small parts in TV shows.

One day Joan went to speak to a director who was making a movie called Tai-Pan. The interview didn’t go well. As she walked away, a man in a car noticed her. The man was Dino DeLaurentis, the film’s producer. He immediately offered her a leading part. A year later, she starred in Bernardo Bertolucci’s The Last Emperor and was on her way to worldwide fame.


C. Are the sentences true or false? If they are false, re-write them so that they are true. (6 marks)

Example: Joan was born in China. True
Joan was born in the late 1970s. False. She was born in 1961.

1. Joan wanted to be an actress when she was a small child.
2. She enjoyed studying at school.
3. She moved to the United States when she was twenty years old.
4. She became famous in China before she arrived in the United States.
5. She studied medicine at university, but she didn’t like it.
6. The first film she made in Hollywood was called The Last Emperor.

D. Match the words (A) and the definitions (B) from the text. (3 marks)

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II. Use of English Section (25 marks)

A. Write sentences using the comparative or superlative adjectives. (5 marks)

1. Lions/dogs/fish (aggressive)
   Lions are the most aggressive.

2. Teenagers/adults (moody)

3. Lisa Simpson/Homer Simpson/Bart Simpson (lazy)

4. reality TV programmes/game shows (interesting)

5. opera/jazz (good)

6. bicycles/ Chevrolets/ Ferraris (cheap)

B. Read Joanna’s letter. Put the verbs in brackets in the Present Simple or the Present Continuous. (1.0 marks)

Dear Marian

I’m writing (write) this letter from Cannes in the south of France. I sit (sit) by a swimming pool and I have (have) a great time! What do (do) here? Well, I got a job with a travel company. It need (need) people with languages and I can speak French. I help (help) travellers with any problems and tell (tell) them about the town. I only arrived two weeks ago so I still learn (learn) about the job. I love (love) the work, but the hours are long. I never get (get) any free weekends. Oh, dear. Someone come (come) to ask me a question. I’ll write again soon.

Love
Joanna

Source: Face2Face Pre-Intermediate Teacher’s Book / Rachel Clark & Anna Young / CUP / 2005 / Progress Tests page 213

C. Write the right word or phrase for each of these definitions. (2 marks)

1. These programmes on TV give us information about tennis, football, etc.
   Sports programmes

2. On some of these TV programmes people try to win prizes by answering questions.
   Game shows

3. On these TV programmes a presenter often interviews famous people.
   Reality TV programmes

4. These TV programmes are very popular stories about a group of people. They are usually on TV three or four times a week.
   Soap operas

5. This type of film tells a story about life in the future.
   Science fiction films

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D. Put the verbs in brackets in the Present Perfect or the Past Simple and complete the short answers. (4 marks)

1. A Have you ever 1. been (go) to India?
   B Yes, I 2. travelled (travel) round India last year.
   A What 4. do (do) you 5. like (like) best?
   B Oh, the mountains, I think.

2. We 11. will (come) to ask me a question.

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E. Make sentences with these words. (4 marks)

1. make / karaoke / for / we / posters / Shall / some / night / the / ?
   Shall we make some posters for the karaoke night?

2. Robots / world / the year 3000 / over / by / might / the / take / .

3. we / make / to / enough / disco / Will / be able / at / money / the / ?

4. do / this / not / to / any / I’m / housework / going / weekend / .

5. we’ll / a / have / Australia / wonderful / in / I’m / time / sure / .

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III. Listening practice (10 marks)

Listen to Andre’s answering machine. Choose the best answers.

One
1. When will Andre’s car be ready?
   a. Monday b. Wednesday c. Friday d. never
2. At what time can Andre pick it up?
   a. 11 o’clock b. 12 o’clock c. 2 o’clock d. four o’clock

Two
3. Who is calling?
   a. Pat b. Pam c. Sam d. Barbara
4. Why did she get the package?
   a. it had the wrong address on it b. Andre wasn’t at home
   c. the postman didn’t know which house it was d. the postman saw her in the street

Three
5. Why did Susan call?
   a. to tell Andres that the party is cancelled b. to ask Andres to call her
   c. to ask Andres to invite some friends to the party d. to invite Andre to a party
6. What does she want Andre to do?
   a. to bring some CDs b. to call her c. to buy some drinks d. to lend her his car

Four
7. Who is calling?
8. What does Andre have to pick up?
   a. a DVD b. a CD c. a video d. a book

Five
9. What did Andre invite Kathy to do?
   a. go to the cinema b. have dinner c. have lunch d. go out
10. What’s the problem?
    a. she has to work late b. she’s going to be late
    c. the film starts too late d. her parents don’t want her to be late

IV. Writing Section (15 marks)

A. Describe your favourite book or film. Why do you like it? (5 marks)
B. Think of a friend and describe his/her personality. (5 marks)
C. Where will you be in 2015? Who will you be with? What will you have? Predict your future. (5 marks)

V. Oral (15 marks)

VI. Homework and tests (20 marks)