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**MATRICOLA \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**You have ninety minutes to complete the examination.**

**The examination includes 4 exercises. You must attempt them all.**

**N.B. Marks are given for correct answers. There is no extra penalty for wrong answers.**

*Non scrivere qui sotto: per l’uso del docente*

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| 2 | TOTAL MARK PER QUESTION | STUDENT SCORE |  |
| Question 1 | 16 marks |  |
| Question 2 | 14 marks |  |
| Question 3 | 10 marks |  |
| Question 4 | 10 marks |  |
| TOTAL | 50 marks |  |

**Exercise 1 - (16 marks): Choose the correct word to fill each gap in the text below. Write ONLY the letter A, B, C or D. Read the text fully first.**

**What is a coincidence?**

A coincidence is a surprising thing that (0) B to us. For example, two friends go shopping (1) \_\_\_ on the same day. When they (2) \_\_\_ up afterwards, they discover that they’ve (3) \_\_\_ bought an identical t-shirt. Many people (4) \_\_\_ coincidences as significant or mysterious. But the simple (5) \_\_\_ could be that friends tend to have (6) \_\_\_ taste in clothes.

In reality, life is (7) \_\_\_ of coincidences, but normally we don’t notice them. For example, in (8) \_\_\_ fifty percent of all football matches, two players share the same birthday. (9) \_\_\_ seems surprising, (10) \_\_\_ that there are 365 possible birthdays in the year. But (11) \_\_\_ of these matches will be played without anybody being (12) \_\_\_ that the coincidence exists. (13) \_\_\_ your birthday is today (14) \_\_\_ tomorrow you don’t generally go around telling people (15) \_\_\_ it is. What’s more, without realizing it, you probably (16) \_\_\_ into contact with lots of people born on the same day as you. But when a coincidence is brought to your attention, it still seems amazing.

**0. A goes B. happens C. enters D. takes**

1. A. lonely B. alone C. single D. separate
2. A. link B. get C. meet D. unite
3. A. each B. every C. which D. everyone
4. A. believe B. think C. make D. regard
5. A. definition B. motivation C. resolution D. explanation
6. A. similar B. likely C. like D. same
7. A. heavy B. full C. rich D. crowded
8. A. round B. close C. almost D. approximate
9. A. what B. these C. how D. this
10. A. except B. instead C. even D. given
11. A. none B. more C. some D. any
12. A. noticed B. known C. aware D. intelligent
13. A. therefore B. whereas C. unless D. meanwhile
14. A. and B. or C. nor D. neither
15. A. what B. as C. day D. when
16. A. make B. come C. have D. go

**Exercise 2 - (14 marks):** For each question, complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the word given. **Do not change the word given.** You must use between **two** and **five** words, **including the word given**. There is an example at the beginning. **Write only the missing words. N.B. Contracted forms e.g. *isn’t* = *is not* (2 words)**

**Example:** There weren’t many guests at the wedding.

**ONLY**

There were  ***only a few*** guests at the wedding.

1. Ann always eats a big breakfast before going out.

**WITHOUT**

Ann never \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ a big breakfast.

1. An electric fence kept visitors away from the animals.

**PREVENTED**

An electric fence \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ close to the animals.

1. Bob did not buy a ticket because he didn’t have enough change.

**IF**

Bob would have bought a ticket \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ enough change.

1. I paid far more money for my computer than I expected to.

**SO**

I didn’t expect \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ money for my new computer.

1. We never went abroad for our summer holidays.

**USE**

We \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ abroad for the summer holidays.

1. One of us ought to go and meet the visitor at the airport.

**SHOULD**

The visitor \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ one of us at the airport.

1. Debbie wore a jumper because she thought it might be cold in the mountains.

**CASE**

Debbie wore a jumper \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in the mountains.

**Exercise 3 - (10 marks)**: Complete the following text, putting **ONE appropriate** word in each gap.Consider both **grammar and meaning.**

**BLANCA HUERTAS:BUTTERFLY EXPERT**

As a little girl growing (0) ***up*** in Colombia, Blanca Huertas was fascinated (1) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ wildlife, and especially by butterflies. In those days you couldn’t buy butterfly nets locally, so her father made (2) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for her, using the end of a broom. He also bought her some books and took her to different places at the weekends so (3) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ she could see different species and learn about different types of habitat. It was at this time that she started her butterfly collection. (4) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ she was sixteen, Blanca went to university (5) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ study biology. Her professor convinced her that the study of butterflies (6) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ become a career, not just a hobby. What’s more, he encouraged Blanca to apply (7) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ a place on a field trip to the Cauca region of the Amazon, (8) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

was being organized by students from Oxford and Cambridge.

The two-month trip was an incredible experience. Blanca rediscovered a butterfly that hadn’t (9) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ seen for thirty years and collected information about new species. (10) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ a result of the trip, the region was turned into a national park.

**Exercise 4 - (10 marks)**: Use the word given in CAPITALS at the end of each line to form another related word that is **appropriate** in the context. **Write your answers in CAPITAL LETTERS.**

**Example:** The Turner Prize is ***UNDOUBTEDLY*** Britain’s best-known art award, **DOUBT**

but it is also its most ***CONTROVERSIAL.*** **CONTROVERSY**

**GAMES IN SPACE**

For astronauts on long missions into space, (1) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ can be a BORE

real problem. In order to help the astronauts,­(2) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and SCIENCE

doctors need to find out what this feels like. As part of the (3) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ SEARCH

programme, six volunteers will be locked away for 520 days to see what effect

this has on their mind and body. During their time in (4) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , the ISOLATE

volunteers will be able to communicate with their (5) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_,but only in a way CONTROL

that replicates the astronauts’ experience. For example, the further away from

‘Earth’ they get, the longer the delay in the signal, so they will be (6) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ ABLE

to have a conversation in real time.

As part of the experiment, the volunteers will be allowed to play computer games.

There will be a (7) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of solo games and competitive games available. MIX

Afterwards, they will be asked to give (8) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_on how hard they found the FEED

games to play and what their (9) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ state was at the time. EMOTION

As a result of the (10) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ gathered, it may be possible to create special INFORM

software for crews on future missions.