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Proficiency Level - Paper F

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Time allowed – Three hours including listening.

Candidates should answer ALL questions.

Write your answers in PEN in the spaces provided.

You may use correcting fluid if necessary.

Ask for extra paper if you need it.

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Section C1 (20 marks)

Read the following passage and answer all the questions.

Hawaiian Adventure

There's one sure way to see a place before everyone else: watch it being born. I decided that the closest I could get to doing this was to see a real volcano in action. Having visited countless resorts around the world and grown tired of over-crowded tourist traps, I set off to Hawaii with Dr Tom Pfeiffer of Volcano Discovery, a company that tours the world's volcanoes. Hawaii is certainly the place to go, because volcanoes formed the Hawaiian islands. Many of them are no longer active but Hawaii, the largest Hawaiian island has Mauna Loa, the world's largest active volcanic crater, and Kilauea, the world's most active volcano. It was particularly for Kilauea that I travelled halfway across the world to the Hawaiian volcanoes. Other volcanoes may be dormant or erratic, but Kilauea has been erupting steadily for 22 years. Visitors won't always see fantastic explosions like that of 1959, but it erupts with amazing consistency.

Anyone who is reasonably fit can climb the volcanoes I visited. I'm 44; my exercise comes from taking the dog out for a quick walk every day and a twice-weekly swim, and I survived our five-day expedition without injury. That's not to say I wasn't exhausted by the end of the week, though. Hikes of ten miles and three nights spent camping left us shattered, despite two nights in a guest-house.

As well as being very tiring, visiting an active volcano can be dangerous. Clouds of poisonous gases can suddenly come pouring out of its crater and you have to be ready for them. Several times the sulphur dioxide had us reaching for our gas masks. Watching one volcano from a clifftop, stiff winds also blew clouds of hydrochloric acid out to sea. Had it not, our lungs would have burnt in seconds. In fact, such a real risk was not something usually included in a volcano tour. We were just unlucky that day – or lucky, depending on how you look at it. Tourists usually experience no greater risk than seeing an eruption in progress from a reasonable distance although, to be honest, for many a small element of fear is actually the main attraction, far beyond the physical challenge or the geological beauty.

In my mind's eye volcanoes are enormous pyramid-shaped mountains spewing orange fire. In Hawaii however, what struck me was that they are not particularly steep. Like its Hawaiian mates, Kilauea is a shield-style volcano, which is relatively flat. It therefore perhaps appears less dramatic, although a major eruption is predicted within five years. Whatever happens it is unlikely to be catastrophic, because very few people live on or near it. For possible catastrophe, we were told, we should look to a volcano such as Vesuvius in Italy. There are one million people on the slopes of Vesuvius. In the opinion of our guide, Italy's emergency plan is unrealistic and if the situation doesn't change there is the potential for an enormous disaster if – or when – it erupts. Another Italian volcano, Mount Etna, could also go up any day. The only reason it is less of a threat is that it's in a less populated area, but life could still be at risk. After only a week I returned home with some wild stories and great photos. As everyone listened avidly I realized that a volcano tour is a great way to impress your friends.

For questions 1 - 8 tick (✓) the box.

1 The writer of the text is a world-famous volcano expert.

True False Doesn't say

2 There are at least two active volcanoes on Hawaii.

True False Doesn't say

3 Kilauea is the world's largest volcano.

True False Doesn't say

4 There have been about five eruptions of Kilauea in the last 22 years.

True False Doesn't say

5 A high level of personal danger is part of all volcano tours.

True False Doesn't say

6 Before going to the volcanoes on Hawaii the writer

- A did no special physical training.
- B did a lot of walking to prepare himself.
- C swam every day to improve his physical condition.

A B C

7 What surprised the writer about Kilauea?

- A its shape
- B its size
- C its colour

A B C

8 The writer was informed that the most potentially disastrous volcano is

- A Kilauea.
- B Vesuvius.
- C Mount Etna.

A B C

Section D (10 marks)

Rewrite the sentences to give the same meaning as the original, using the word or words given.
Do not change the given word or words in any way at all.
Rewrite all direct speech as reported speech.

Example:

Michael is watering our garden while we're on holiday. (*being*)

Our garden is being watered by Michael while we're on holiday.

1 I really don't want you to use that vase. (*rather*)

2 He forgot my birthday last year and our anniversary. (*Not only*)

3 She regrets leaving school at sixteen. (*wishes*)

4 I'm sure you left your wallet at home. That's the only explanation. (*must*)

5 You don't often see such a perfect specimen. (*Rarely*)

6 He's in trouble with the police because he stole a car. (*If*)

7 She's the boss's daughter but she doesn't get any extra benefits. (*Despite*)

8 On seeing the vaccination needle, Paul fainted. (*passed*)

9 Jenny really should know how to tie her shoes by now. (*high time*)

10 "Why don't you phone a lawyer for some advice, Mary?" said Jane. (*suggested that*)

Section E (10 marks)

Complete the sentences with the correct form of the words in brackets.

Example

The bad*behaviour*..... of the boy is intolerable. (BEHAVE)

- 1 Simon is extremely..... and never expresses his feelings. (COMMUNICATE)
- 2 Please send a written..... of your booking within 2 weeks. (CONFIRM)
- 3 John felt uncomfortable so he..... his tie. (LOOSE)
- 4 Talking during the exam is totally..... behaviour. (ACCEPT)
- 5 information can be obtained from Reception. (ADD)
- 6 Her..... increased after her appearance on TV. (POPULAR)
- 7 There was a huge..... when the factory blew up. (EXPLODE)
- 8 The old man had a long and happy (RETIRE)
- 9 He had all the right for the job. (QUALIFY)
- 10 We gave him all the facts and he made his immediately. (DECIDE)

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Section F (10 marks)

Write the missing words on the lines. Write only one word in each space. There is an example.

The success of eBay

In just a few years the auction company eBay went from a small idea to _____ (1) of the biggest business success stories in America. _____ (2) started as a hobby is now a cultural phenomenon. It's an auction house that never sleeps, where anyone _____ (3) be a buyer or seller. It _____ (4) founded in Pierre Omidyar's San Diego living room in September 1995 and was intended to be a marketplace for the sale of goods for individuals. Browsing and bidding on auctions is free _____ (5) charge but the sellers are charged a fee _____ (6) the end of the auction. This generally ranges _____ (7) 1.25% to 5% of the final sale price. As many _____ (8) 300,000 people have literally given _____ (9) their jobs to create their _____ (10) businesses selling on eBay. People will buy and sell anything from cars to candlesticks - and some of them are making millions.

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