TEST Z JĘZYKA ANGIELSKIEGO DLA KANDYDATÓW DO SZKÓŁ DOKTORSKICH, WERSJA B

I. Listen to four people talking about how they found their jobs. Match the person's name (Ernesto, Sofia, Jennifer, or Anthony) with the method they used. You will hear the recording twice. *(10 x 2 = 20)*

Who:

a) took out a subscription of an industry magazine?

b) searched through job advertisements in newspapers?

c) went to an industry job fair?

d) took advice from a friend?

e) sent his/her CV to several different companies?

f) e-mailed his/her application to a company?

g) was headhunted?

h) used personal connections?

i) offered to work on a voluntary basis?

j) joined a professional networking site?

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II. Listen to an interview with Ryan Judd. Decide if the statements are True or False. You will hear the recording twice. *(5 x 2 = 10)*

1. Ryan thinks the purpose of extreme interviewing is to see how candidates react in a strange situation.

2. He has used extreme interviewing on several occasions.

3. The first 'extreme' question was asked to see if the candidate has technical and communication skills.

4. The second 'extreme' question was asked to see if the candidates had leadership potential.

5. Ryan thought that was a good question.

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III. Read the following extract and do all the subsequent exercises:

Personality tests: Can they identify the real you?

The next time you apply for a job, you might be asked to take a personality test. The business of personality is big and growing. But do the tests work?

A few years back, my niece Andrea was looking for a summer job. She heard the tips were good in a restaurant in Chicago and decided to apply. Before the interview, she had to fill out an online application including a psychometric test – a test which would reveal a lot about her personality. She explained that there was a whole section on ethics and how you'd react in a particular situation, like dealing with a difficult customer, for example.

Personality tests are being used in all types of industry. In a global recession, many firms want to be sure they are employing the most suitable person for the job. They cannot afford to pick the wrong one. Smaller profits also mean staff are working under more stress. Therefore, companies want to make sure their employees get on with each other. Disagreements are costly and inefficient. In the US alone, there are about 2,500 personality tests on the market. One of the most popular is the Myers-Briggs Type Indicator, or MBTI. Used by 89 of the top 100 companies, it has been translated into 24 languages. 'Myers-Briggs is the most successful psychometric test and deservedly so,' says Rachel Robinson of the consultancy firm YSC in London. 'It has been a fantastic vehicle for people to think about how they and others differ.' Perhaps the attraction of the MBTI lies in its simplicity – it indicates that we all match one of 16 character types. But it's the fact that it is so straightforward that makes some people suspicious.

Like many personality tests, MBTI is based on the work of Carl Jung, the Swiss psychiatrist who helped lay the foundations of modern psychology. Jung developed the idea of opposite pairs of characteristics – such as friendly or unfriendly, or lazy or hard-working – that are present in all of us. He suggested that, in terms of each pair of qualities, we tend to be one or the other.

a) Decide whether the following statements are True or False: 　　　　　　　　　　　*(10 x 1 = 10)*

1. Today, personality tests must be taken at all job interviews.
2. Money was the main reason for Andrea to apply for the job in Chicago.
3. A psychometric test provides information about your personality.
4. According to Andrea, a psychometric test gives you advice on dealing with difficult customers.
5. Widely used personality tests do not come in handy during recession.
6. Recession time requires more teamwork from employees.
7. MBTI is the most widely used test among top companies in the US.
8. MBTI is attractive because it is not complicated.
9. MBTI reveals if someone is suspicious or not.
10. Carl Jung opposed MBTI.

b) For each word or phrase below find a synonym in the text: 　　　　　　　　　　　*(10 x 2 = 20)*

1) expanding -
2) complete in writing -
3) certain -
4) proper or right for a purpose -
5) as a result -
6) working badly, wasting time -
7) in a way that is right -
8) the quality of being uncomplicated -
9) simple and easy to understand -
10) basic ideas, principles -

IV. Fill in the gaps with the words from the box: *(5 x 1 = 5)*

Researcher jobs have no specific education requirements for applicants. _____, those who want to work in this field are _____ to have a Specialist Subject or Degree related to this field, including _____ work experience. _____, a good recommendation for candidates who want to explore consumers´ opinions and _____ is having a Master´s Degree in Economics or Business Administration.

demands	generally	required	relevant	moreover

V. Language elements:

a) Choose the right option: a, b, c or d: *(10 x 1 = 10)*

1. My wallet _____ in the shopping center last week.
a. was stolen
b. has been stolen
c. had been stolen
d. was being stolen

2. We _____ have much money when we were students.
a. didn't used to
b. weren't used to
c. didn't use to
d. would

3. Is it OK if I _____ a phone call?
a. do
b. put
c. make
d. try

4. Lucy went to work _____ she wasn't feeling ok.

a. although
b. in spite
c. despite
d. nevertheless

5. Do you _____ going to the cinema tonight?

a. like
b. enjoy
c. fancy
d. feel

6. The children stopped _____ football to have a snack.

a. play
b. playing
c. to play
d. for playing

7. I've left my dictionary at home, can I borrow _____ ?

a. your
b. you
c. yourself
d. yours

8. There's no point _____ complaining about the situation now.

a. for
b. at
c. in
d. of

9. I wish I _____ this job offer. I could have chosen a better option.

a. hadn't accepted
b. didn't accept
c. had accepted
d. accepted

10. Tell me how many times _____ your driving test.

a. have you taken
b. you have taken
c. have you been taken
d. you have been taken

b) Complete the gaps with the words derived from the words in brackets: *(10 x 1 = 10)*

1. He was _____ what to say so he chose to remain silent. **CERTAIN**

2. Some students stay in university halls of residence, but the _____ decide to rent their own accommodation.

MAJOR

3. I don't think we should set up our business in the current economic climate. **ECONOMY**

4. During the last fifteen years, the number of overseas students in Polish universities has increased _____ .

SIGNIFICANCE

5. One of the many effects of the hole in the ozone layer is that it will delay the _____ of plants and lead to

food shortages. **GROW**

6. Could you _____ which parts of the article should be rewritten? **SPECIFIC**

7. ' _____ development' is a buzzword that many people use without understanding. **SUSTAIN**

8. With so many things to do, it is difficult to _____ . **PRIORITY**

9. Amsterdam is famous for it cultural _____. **DIVERSE**

10. What are the _____ of your research? **IMPLY**

Dear Sir or Madam,

I **write/am writing** to apply for the internship program at Wakefield Research Institute. **Having seen/Had been seen** the advertisement **placed/broadcast** on the website, I believe I possess all the **relevant/relative** qualities and skills.

I have had extensive research experience**/experiences** , both in the lab and in the field. **Currently/Actually**, I am conducting tests at a local geological site and collecting data for my MA thesis. Last summer I worked **as/like** a volunteer for a major conservation project where I was responsible **for/of** inputting data from various sources. I was praised for my organisational skills **as well as/moreover** my attention to detail and **creative/creatively** thinking. As **far/long** as my language skills are concerned, I am a **fluent/fluently** speaker of German and English.

I believe I **could/should** be an asset to your program. **Should you/You should** require further information, do not hesitate to contact me.

I look forward to **hear/hearing** from you.

Yours faithfully,

Jonathan Cooper