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English Language / Paper Two / 12th Grade / Humanities

Name ---------- Time: 2:30 hours Date: 31/12/2025

Total Marks (50)

Reading Comprehension: 25 points

Question Number One: **15 Points**

Read the following text and answer the questions below:

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---------- Don't try to do everything at once. Divide your final aim into smaller parts so that getting to the end of each part is one small success, and one step nearer to the goal.

A: Match the headings with the suitable paragraphs of the above text: **2.5 points**

a. Think negative. b. Set clear goals. c. One step at a time. d. Enjoy yourself e. Share it.

B: Complete the following table with the missing information: **2.5 points**

Problem	Advice to follow
Losing motivation quickly.	
Feeling unprepared for setbacks.	
Giving up easily.	
Setting poorly defined goals.	
Feeling like everything is piling up.	

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C: Select the correct answer: **3 points**

1. **Thinking only about final score can be ----------**
   a. the best way to learn better.
   b. an important key to success.
   c. more effective than enjoying the experience itself.
   d. less effective than enjoying the experience itself.
2. **Sharing with others can make a new experience----------**
   a. more disappointing. b. more enjoyable. c. much more boring. d. more stressful.
3. **The most important rule when thinking about aims is to -----**
   a. think generally about what you want. b. avoid setting small goals.
   c. set exact and practical aims. d. think about clear and unmeasurable aims.

D: Decide whether the statements are True or False: **4 points**

1. Thinking about potential problems is considered as a positive strategy. **T / F**
2. You shouldn't try hard to achieve everything at once to save time. **T / F**
3. A goal like "want to be a bit healthier "is a good example of a measurable aim. **T / F**
4. The writer suggests staying private about your goals and keeping them secret. **T / F**

E: Say what each of the following pronouns refer to : **3 points**

1. Line (3) "that" ----------. 2. Line (9) "them" ---------- 3. Line (15) " it" ----------

Question Number Two: **10 Points**

Read the following text and answer the questions below

Chinese New Year or Lunar New Year is the Chinese festival that takes place from the evening preceding the first day of the year. The festival begins on the new moon that appears between 21st January and 20th February.

Chinese New Year has strongly influenced New Year Celebration of China's neighboring cultures including Vietnamese, Tibetan and Korean. **It** is associated with several myths and customs. New Year's Day is an occasion for families to gather for an annual reunion dinner. It's also traditional to clean their houses to sweep away any ill- fortune and make away for incoming good luck. Another custom is decoration of windows and doors with red paper-cuts and two-line poems. Popular themes among these decorations include that of happiness, wealth and longevity .lighting firecrackers and giving money in red envelopes are popular traditions. For the northern regions of China, dumplings are featured prominently in meals; they are often served as the first meal of the year.

A: Choose the correct answer: **6 points**

1. **Chinese New Year …..**
   a. is a very religious celebration nowadays.
   b. is celebrated in different ways depending on the regions.
   c. is celebrated only in the northern regions.
   d. is a festival that lasts one day.
2. **The New Year in China begins …..**
   a. in January b. in February
   c. in January but not in February. d. in January or February.

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3. The Korean New Year's customs are .....

a. very different from Chinese New Year. b. similar to Chinese New Year.

c. more popular than Chinese New Year. d. not connected with Chinese New Year.

4. The text mentions traditions in the northern regions of China related to.....

a. parties b. music c. food d. money.

5. Chinese New Year is associated with .....

a. customs and myths from neighboring cultures.

b. cross-cultural traditions and customs.

c. customs from foreign countries

d. Chinese myths and customs.

6. pronoun "it " in it is associated with several myths and customs refer to:

a. Chinese New Year b. Chinese culture c. neighboring culture. d. China.

B: Decide whether these statements are True or False: 1 point

1. The festival starts on the evening before the first day of the year. T / F

2. During Chinese New Year, people avoid lighting firecrackers. T / F

C: Complete the diagram with the missing information: 3 points

Customs of the New Year	Reasons
Hanging two –line poems	
Cleaning the houses	
Eating dumplings	

Literature 15 Points

Question Number Three: 5 points

Circle the correct answer:

1. **What is Juliet's reaction when she learns that Romeo is Montague?**
   a. She is angry and refuses to see him b. She is shocked but still loves him.
   c. She informs her parents right away. d. She decides to leave Verona.
2. **Why does Juliet send a message to Romeo?**
   a. To ask him to run away. b. To deliver a gift.
   c. To confirm the time and place of wedding. d. To tell him about Tybalt.
3. **Which of the following is the best describe of Romeo?**
   a. polite and well behaved. b. wise and serious.
   c. silent and passive. d. cruel and talkative.
4. **The first edition of Romeo and Juliet was less important than the second edition because:**
   a. It was torn after acting it. b. it didn't have several tragic events.
   c. it was written by actors. d. it wasn't written by Shakespeare.
5. **What did Capulet say about his own youth?**
   a. He used to wear masks and whisper to ladies. b. He hated attending parties.
   c. He was not interested in parties. d. He never attended parties.

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Question Number Four: **10 points**

From this section, answer two questions only:

A: Complete the following sentences: **5 points**

1. Theatres and plays at the time of Shakespeare were different from now so ----------
---------- by boys.
2. Romeo says that he overcomes the high walls and reaches Juliet by using ----------.
3. Juliet asks the nurse in the party to ----------.
4. Romeo describes Juliet's beauty as ---------- for the earth.
5. Romeo and Juliet's love happens too sudden, just like ---------- which is gone before you notice it.

B: Read the quotation then answer the questions: **5 points**

"How can you talk about peace when you are holding your sword? Peace! I hate that word"

a. Who said these words? ----------. b. "Who was the speaker addressing? ----------.

c. Why is the listener holding his sword? ----------.

d. What are the things that the speaker hates? ----------.

e. What is the reason behind fighting in the street? ----------.

C: Match the character to the correct description by writing the number on the lines provided 5 points

1. Paris		**Juliet's messenger and secret keepers.**
2. Tybalt		**The person who serves Romeo.**
3. Nurse		**Lord Capulet thinks that he is the good match for Juliet.**
4. Balthasar		**Capulet's daughter.**
5. Juliet		**his conversation reveals that he is rude.**

Writing 10 points

Question Number Five: Choose One of the following topics: **10 points**

A: Nowadays, many young people tend to make resolutions that are related to the future. Write three paragraph essay do the following. **Paragraph (1) write about your goal. Paragraph (2) write about the problems. Paragraph three : offer some useful tips to stick to resolutions.**

B. People all over the world have different customs and traditions celebrating New Year.
Write a Three -paragraph essay about the tradition and customs of the **Eid al-Adha** in Palestine. Muslims recite Quran, hold prayers at mosques spend time with family, and visits each other. It's time of reflection and good beginning.

Good Luck

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Answers/ Paper Two / 12th Grade / Humanities

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——C——Don't try to do everything at once. Divide your final aim into smaller parts so that getting to the end of each part is one small success, and one step nearer to the goal.

A: Match the headings with the suitable paragraphs of the above text: **2.5 points**

a. Think negative. b. Set clear goals. c. One step at a time. d. Enjoy yourself e. Share it.

B: Complete the following table with the missing information: **2.5 points**

Problem	Advice to follow
Losing motivation quickly.	**Enjoy yourself**
Feeling unprepared for setbacks.	**Think negative**
Giving up easily.	**Share it**
Setting poorly defined goals.	**Set clear goals**
Feeling like everything is piling up.	**One step at a time**

C: Select the correct answer: **3 points**

1. D 2. B 3. C

D: Decide whether the statements are True or False: **4 points**

1. T 2. T 3. F 4. F

E: Say what each of the following pronouns refer to : **3 points**

1. Line (3) "that" **aim/ something exact and practical.** 2. Line (9) "them" **people.**
3. Line (15) " it" **what could go wrong**

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Question Number Two: 10 Points

A: Choose the correct answer: 6 points

1. B 2. D 3. B 4. C 5. D 6. A

B: Decide whether these statements are True or False: 1 point

1. T 2. F

C: Complete the diagram with the missing information: 3 points

Customs of the New Year	Reasons
Hanging two –line poems	Happiness, wealth and longevity.
Cleaning the houses	Sweep away all ill fortune and make away for good luck.
Eating dumplings	First meal in the year.

Question Number Three: 5 points

Circle the correct answer:

1. B 2. C 3. A 4. D 5. A

Question Number Four: 10 points

From this section, answer two questions only:

A: Complete the following sentences: 5 points

1. Theatres and plays at the time of Shakespeare were different from now so **women's role was played** by boys.
2. Romeo says that he overcomes the high walls and reach Julie by using **love light wings**.
3. Juliet asks the nurse in the party to **who is the man who refuses to dance**
4. Romeo describes Juliet's beauty as **precious thing** for the earth.
5. Romeo and Juliet's love happens too sudden; just like **lightening** which is gone before you notice it.

B: Read the quotation then answer the questions: 5 points

"How can you talk about peace when you are holding your sword? Peace! I hate that word"

a. Who said these words? **Tybalt**. b. "Who was the speaker addressing? **Benvolio**.

c. Why is the listener holding his sword? **To stop fighting**.

d. What are the things that the speaker hates? **Peace, Montague, Romeo and Benvolio**.

e. What is the reason behind fighting in the street? **Argument between the two families**.

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