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Part One: Reading Skills (6 Points)

Read the following texts and answer the questions.

A- The small country of Bhutan in the Himalayan Mountains is over 1,000 years old. In the past, it was a poor country and not many people visited it. But nowadays, it is becoming more and more popular with tourists. Medicine and health are improving and the economy is growing. King Jigme Singye Wangchuck, the king of Bhutan until 2006, talked about his country's "Gross National Happiness" because he thought happiness was the way to measure his country's development. But how do you measure happiness? Perhaps health is the best way because, as a famous doctor once said, "Happy people generally don't get sick." It's also easy to measure how many people feel ill or unhealthy in a country.

A- Choose the correct answer:

1- The King of Bhutan measured his country's development by

- a. money that can buy everything
- b. health that we have
- c. happiness that we feel most of the time
- d. visitors who visit Bhutan from all over the world

2- Which is easier to measure?

- a. sickness and bad health
- b. happiness and feeling good
- c. laughter and jokes
- d. colors and development

B- Answer by *True* or *False*:

- 1- Bhutan was a rich and developed country in the past. ()
2- Many tourists are visiting Bhutan nowadays from all over the world. ()

Read the following text and answer the questions.

B- Nowadays; more and more adults are enrolled in courses. Some of them are sent by their employers to acquire new skills. Others want a change of career, so new qualifications are needed. For many adults, learning isn't seen as something only for school children. Studying a subject can be fun and a good way to socialize. And these days, many courses are not taken in a face-to-face class. Many adults are studying more by distance, or online learning. Books are sent to their home. Course material is emailed by their online tutor. In some courses the lessons are taught by videoconference. Clearly, education doesn't have to stop when you leave school.

A- Choose the correct answer:

1- People are learning new courses to

- a. feel happy and spend time out their houses
- b. **acquire new skills or change careers**
- c. start writing new books
- d. eat healthy food and practice more sport

2- For many adults, learning is seen as something

- a. only for school children
- b. boring and wasting the time
- c. that doesn't help anyone to be improved
- d. **fun and a good way to socialize**

B- Answer by *True* or *False*:

- 1- The only way to study and take new courses is by face-to-face learning. ()
2- Materials are sent by email or taught by videoconference. ()

Critical Thinking

1. Do you agree that money makes us happy? Explain.

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Part Two: Vocabulary (4 points)

Read the following sentences carefully and then fill in the blanks with the most suitable word that completes the meaning:

vacation	play	swimming	centenarians	marathon
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- 1- People run a _____ through our city in September.
- 2- Khaled and Ahmad always _____ tennis on Saturdays.
- 3- Most of the _____ that live more than a hundred suffer from weak bones.
- 4- Next week I'm going on _____ with my friends for one month.

Part Three: Grammar (5 Points)

A- Complete the sentences. Use either the *Simple Present* or the *Present continues*.

(4 points)

- 1. People in some places usually (live) longer because of their diet.
- 2. Every Monday and Thursday I..... (spend) three hours in the gym.
- 3. These days more and more people are (shop) on the internet.
- 4. The teacher (answer) the questions and writing the answers on the board now.

B- Insert the adverb of frequency in its proper place. (1 point)

a. I remember to do my homework. (always)

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b. I eat fast food in restaurants. (often)

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