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PROFICIENCY EXAMINATION – FALL 2018**

**GRAMMAR I (YYDL103.1)
READING SKILLS I (YYDL105.1)
WRITING SKILLS I (YYDL101.1)**

Student Name: _____ **Duration:** 120 minutes
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I confirm that I have read and understood the information above.

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Grammar I

SECTIONS	Maximum Marks	Marks Obtained
I	10	
II	10	
III	20	
IV	10	
V	10	
VI	10	
VII	10	
VIII	10	
IX	10	
Total	100	

Reading Skills I

SECTIONS	Maximum Marks	Marks Obtained
I	25	
II	25	
III	15	
IV	15	
V	20	
Total	100	

Writing Skills I

SECTIONS	Maximum Marks	Marks Obtained
I	10	
II	20	
III	10	
IV	10	
V	50	
Total	100	

I. Complete the sentences. Use subject pronoun + be contraction. (I'm, you're, it's, she's, we're, they're)

1. Mr. Walsh is our computer technician. _____ from Canada.
2. Compugames is a company. _____ in Seattle.
3. Mark and Pete are new employees. _____ game designers.
4. Ana and I are students. _____ from Mexico.
5. Carol is at work. _____ a sales manager.

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II. Complete the sentences with the correct possessive adjective (my/your/his/her/its/our/their).

1. She brushes _____ teeth three times a day.
2. The dog wags _____ tail when it sees the postman.
3. He has no hair, so he never combs _____ hair.
4. Can you open _____ eyes under water?
5. These are Alan and Jane and this is _____ daughter, Jenna.

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III. Underline the correct word in each pair.

1. There **is / are** some stores on this Street.
2. There **isn't / aren't** any traffic in my neighbourhood.
3. **Is / Are** there a gas station on Maple Street?
4. The **child / children** are in the park.
5. Two hundred **person / people** are in line for the new Tom Cruise movie!
6. Your smile is beautiful. Your **tooth / teeth** are very white.
7. Trees **fall / falls** their leaves in autumn.
8. An astronomer **study / studies** stars.
9. Pandas **don't / doesn't** eat bananas.
10. **Do / Does** tigers have spots or stripes?

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IV. Choose the correct option to complete each sentence.

1. _____ work does the project need?
 - a. How much
 - b. How many
2. _____ rooms does the house have?
 - a. How much
 - b. How many
3. Susan speaks _____ Chinese.
 - a. any
 - b. many
 - c. a few
 - d. a little

VII. Choose the correct option to complete each sentence.

1. Mr. And Mrs. Jones don't _____ go out for dinner.
a. usually b. seldom c. hardly ever d. rarely
2. _____ visit her family?
a. Dana sometimes b. Sometimes Dana
c. Does Dana sometimes d. Dana sometimes does
3. These shoes _____ to me.
a. belonging b. belongs c. are belonging d. belong
4. Normally I take the shuttle to go to school, but today I _____ my father's car as he's abroad.
a. am driving b. drive c. driving d. drives
5. Aaron _____ eats meat. He is a vegetarian.
a. always b. sometimes c. never d. often

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VIII. Underline the correct option to complete each sentence.

1. We **are sitting / sit / were sitting** at the back, so we didn't enjoy the play.
2. **Are / Was / Were** the sanctuary in Egyptian temples sacred?
3. Last year Marcia's hair **was / is / were** long.
4. Those two new students **were / are / was** here two hours ago.
5. When **do / were / did** you get up you this morning?

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IX. Match the answers from a-g to the questions 1-5. There are TWO extra answers.

1. ___ Did you watch the game last night? a. His wife needed the car.
2. ___ Why did he take the bus today? b. It was fun, I loved it.
3. ___ How did they like the trip? c. No, they were at the cinema.
4. ___ What were you reading? d. No, I had a headache.
5. ___ Were the children at home? e. They loved it!
f. The newspaper.
g. We needed it.

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I. Choose the best answer: A, B, C, or D.

1. Basketball players are famous for their _____. Several players are more than 1,90 cm.
 - A. height
 - B. excitement
 - C. speed
 - D. distance
2. The woman on the cover of the magazine is famous. She _____ in many movies and TV shows.
 - A. appears
 - B. looks
 - C. speaks
 - D. visits
3. There are now online maps of most countries in the world. It is fun to _____ the streets of other cities from your home.
 - A. plan
 - B. explore
 - C. imagine
 - D. communicate
4. In the past, people wrote letters to their friends in other countries. Now _____ helps people to communicate.
 - A. invention
 - B. language
 - C. skill
 - D. technology
5. Many people use the Internet to find information and share _____.
 - A. ideas
 - B. countries
 - C. plans
 - D. fields

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II. Complete the sentences using the words in the box. There are TWO extras.

choices	local	medical	
possible	prefers	research	vacation

- Mr. Chang has a busy job and works very hard. He needs a relaxing _____.
- After Gina finishes college, she has two _____. She can work at her father's company, or she can start her own business.
- My brother doesn't like small talk. He _____ meaningful conversations.
- Twenty years ago, people took pictures with a camera. Now it's _____ to take pictures with a phone.
- Kevin wants to work in the _____ field. He is studying to become a nurse because he enjoys helping sick people.

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Reading

Read the text. Then answer the questions.

Liam's Problem

Jack and Liam are friends who met in high school five years ago. They are also neighbors. They live on the same street. They have many common interests. For example, they both love football. They have two characteristics that are the same. They are both tall, and they both have red hair. Sometimes people think they are brothers. However, Jack is different in one way. He loves to travel. He goes on exciting vacations to different countries every year. Liam doesn't travel often. He doesn't like to fly. If he has to travel, he takes a train or a bus. So he never goes very far from home.

There is a medical word for how Liam feels. It is called *aviophobia*, or being scared to fly. When people with aviophobia get on a plane, their hearts beat faster. They can't relax, and they feel scared. Then they start to feel sick. They want to get off the plane. There are more than 20 million Americans who have aviophobia. That's over 6 percent of Americans!

Researchers know a lot about aviophobia. Now people like Liam can get help. They can take medicine to help them feel relaxed. They can take classes and get information about how planes fly. They learn that flying is very safe. In fact, flying is the safest way to travel. It's much safer than driving. More people die traveling in cars than in planes. Jack wants Liam to take these classes so he can get over his aviophobia. Liam is thinking about it. For now, he prefers a quiet vacation near home.

III. Choose the best answer: A, B, or C according to the text on page 5.

1. What is Liam's problem?
 - A. He prefers to take a train or bus.
 - B. He doesn't like exciting vacations.
 - C. He is scared of flying.
2. How is Jack different from Liam?
 - A. He has red hair.
 - B. He likes to travel.
 - C. He doesn't like to fly.
3. How does someone with aviophobia feel?
 - A. scared
 - B. excited
 - C. quiet

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IV. Vocabulary Strategies - Choose the best answer: A, B, or C.

1. Which sentence helps you understand the meaning of *characteristics*?
 - A. For example, they both love soccer.
 - B. They are both tall, and they both have red hair.
 - C. They live on the same street.
2. Which word is a synonym of *relaxed*?
 - A. safe
 - B. friendly
 - C. calm
3. Reread the sentences. Choose the superlative adjective.

"They learn that flying is very safe. In fact, flying is the safest way to travel. It's much safer than driving."

 - A. very safe
 - B. safest
 - C. safer

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V. Reading Strategies - Choose the best answer: A, B, or C.

1. What is the topic or main idea of the text?
 - A. Two friends who have common interests
 - B. A problem that stops people from flying
 - C. Different kinds of vacations
2. What can you infer about Jack?
 - A. He likes to go on exciting vacations.
 - B. He wants to help his friend Liam.
 - C. He and Liam are like brothers.
3. Reread the sentences. Choose the noun that the underlined pronoun refers to.

“When people with aviophobia get on a plane, their hearts beat faster. They can’t relax, and they feel scared.”

 - A. people
 - B. aviophobia
 - C. hearts
4. Which of the following is a signal word for time?
 - A. However
 - B. When
 - C. Then

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I. Complete the sentences with the words in the box.

shopper	fashionable	never	organized	compares
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My sister Monique is a(n) (1) _____ traveller, and she loves to visit different cities. She uses a map and (2) _____ gets lost. She is a careful (3) _____, and always (4) _____ prices. She is also a(n) (5) _____ girl, so she spends a lot of money on clothes and shoes.

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II. Circle the correct word(s) in each pair.

1. My brothers and I often stay home at night. **They / We** like to watch television and play games on the computer.
2. The people in my country **is / are** friendly and polite.
3. My friend Martha and I love fashion. We often **go / goes** shopping and buy clothes.
4. New Zealand has a lot of nature. **There is / There are** lakes, mountains, and rivers.
5. Marissa stays at an interesting hotel in **a / an** historic neighbourhood in Prague.
6. Dmetri is not an organized traveller. He **never / always** forgets some things.
7. Arthur does not **saves / save** money. He pays full price for expensive products.
8. The delicious food at the café is not cheap, but the customers **do not / does not** complain about the prices.
9. My brother Roger **want / wants** to visit a warm country next winter.
10. Carlotta **learns / is learning** Mandarin. She wants to study in China next summer.

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III. Circle the correct word(s) in each pair.

1. We live in Chicago. **Our / Their** city has tall buildings and interesting cafés.
2. There are seven **people / persons** in Jason's family.
3. **Liam / He** is intelligent. **Liam / He** reads books and talks about interesting things.
4. Kelly is very popular and has many friends **in / at** school.
5. They travel to historic cities, and **take / they take** pictures of old buildings.

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IV. Match to make complete sentences.

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| ___ 1. Alice buys expensive jewellery, | A. and he works in the afternoon. |
| ___ 2. My friends spend their money on electronics, | B. but she gets a good deal. |
| ___ 3. They are very busy. For example, | C. we are reading a book about flowers. |
| ___ 4. Tess and I love nature. Right now, | D. but I like to buy books. |
| ___ 5. Harry stays home in the morning, | E. they go to school and work at night. |

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