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PROFICIENCY EXAMINATION – FALL 2018
GRAMMAR II (YYDL104.1)
READING SKILLS II (YYDL106.1)
WRITING SKILLS II (YYDL102.1)**

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I confirm that I have read and understood the information above.

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Grammar II

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 II

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

Writing Skills II

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

I. Complete the paragraph. Use *can, can't, could, or couldn't*.

Five years ago some of my friends could drive, but I ¹ _____. This was a problem because I lived on a farm in those days, and I ² _____ go many places on my own. Last year I got my driver's license. Today I ³ _____ drive, but I still ⁴ _____ go places by car because I don't own one. I'm not complaining, though. I live in a big city now, and I ⁵ _____ go everywhere by bus or subway.

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II. Underline the correct word in each pair.

1. The Pacific Ocean is the biggest ocean **than / of** all.
2. Larry is a good speaker. David speaks **well / better**, too.
3. Today's test was less **difficult / harder** than last week's test.
4. Sally is **friendly / friendlier** than Susan.
5. Susan types **efficiently / the most efficiently** of all the workers.

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III. Underline the correct word in each pair.

1. I'm looking forward **to see / seeing** you.
2. We managed **to arrive / arriving** on time.
3. I used **to get / getting** up early.
4. Pat is finally learning **to drive / driving**.
5. I like **to bake / bake** cakes.
6. Paul enjoys **listen / listening** to classical music.
7. She avoids **to spend / spending** money.
8. At the meeting, we discussed **to hire / hiring** a new employee.
9. Sally needs **to work / working** to save money.
10. My son decided **to study / studying** Civil Engineering.

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IV. Choose the correct option to complete each sentence.

1. _____ I use car tomorrow?
a. Would b. Can c. Will d. Won't
2. _____ I take this chair?
a. Would b. Must c. Will d. May
3. The concert is free. You _____ get a ticket.
a. must not b. don't have to c. shouldn't d. must

4. The train _____ be late. It sometimes is.

- a. might b. is going c. will d. would

5. The problem was very difficult. We _____ solve it.

- a. couldn't b. can't c. can d. could

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V. Complete the conversation. Use *a, an, the* or no article (\emptyset). Use a capital letter when needed.

A: Do you like ¹_____ pets?

B: Yes, I do. I have ²_____ rabbit and ³_____ cat. ⁴_____ rabbit isn't very intelligent, but ⁵_____ cat is very smart.

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VI. Choose the correct response to complete each conversation.

1. A: Where is she going to stay?

B: She's not sure. _____.

- a. She'll stay with me.
b. She might stay in a hotel.
c. She may come.

2. A: _____.

B: Yes, it is. It may snow.

- a. It's really cold outside tonight.
b. It's very warm today.
c. What's the weather like?

3. A: I may not have time to go to the store.

B: _____.

- a. That's OK. I'll go.
b. Please buy some milk at the store.
c. Did you stop at the store?

4. A: The car won't start.

B: _____.

- a. It might be out of gas.
b. The window might be broken.
c. Will it start?

5. A: This is a dangerous neighborhood. _____.

B: Don't worry. I'll be fine.

- a. You have to lock your door at night.
b. You don't have to leave the windows open.
c. You must not lock your apartment.

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VII. Choose the correct option to complete each sentence.

1. What time _____ be home tonight?
a. you going b. you will c. will you d. are you
2. I _____ home for dinner.
a. not be b. will not c. won't be d. won't
3. Is it _____ tonight?
a. not rain b. going to rain c. will rain d. won't rain
4. _____ wait for you downstairs.
a. I'm b. I am c. I'll d. I'm not
5. Who _____ to move to New York?
a. are going b. going c. will go d. is going

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VIII. Complete the conversation with the correct forms of the verbs in parenthesis using Present Simple or Present Continuous.

1. TIM: I see that you _____ (eat) a vegetarian dish. _____ you _____ (eat) always vegetarian food?
2. CLAIRE: No, I _____ (eat) everything, but I _____ (try) this today because it looks so good.
3. TIM: My cousin is a vegan. That means that he _____ (not / eat) any animal products. At the moment, he _____ (suffer) from a vitamin problem and the doctor thinks that he should eat some fish or meat.
4. FRED: It _____ (seem) silly to me to be so strict. People _____ (not/ kill) animals to get milk or eggs, for example.
5. TIM: I _____ (agree) with you, but my cousin _____ (believe) that we shouldn't exploit animals at all.

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IX. Complete the description of a historic disaster with the correct forms of the verbs in parenthesis by using Past Simple or Past Continuous.

The Hindenburg was a large balloon airship. It made its last trip on May 6, 1937. On that day it ¹ _____ (rain) and the wind ² _____ (blow) hard. At exactly 7:00 p. m. the Hindenburg ³ _____ (begin) to descend. A few seconds later, a fire ⁴ _____ (start) aboard the airship. At that moment, many photographers ⁵ _____ (take) pictures and, a reporter ⁶ _____ (describe) the event. However, at first no one ⁷ _____ (notice) anything strange. Then suddenly, everyone on the ground ⁸ _____ (see) smoke. The Hindenburg ⁹ _____ (burn)! Just 37 seconds later, the balloon ¹⁰ _____ (fall) from the sky, and hit the ground.

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

1. Advertisements try to ___ people to purchase products such as cars and clothing.
 - A. sell
 - B. affect
 - C. buy
 - D. persuade
2. One of the best restaurants in town is ___ located next to my apartment building.
 - A. conveniently
 - B. politely
 - C. socially
 - D. immediately
3. After years of exploring Mars, scientists have found ___ of water on the planet.
 - A. evidence
 - B. available
 - C. example
 - D. variety
4. The tennis match was an exciting ___ between the two best players in the world.
 - A. sports
 - B. competition
 - C. service
 - D. emotions
5. People are encouraged to buy modern cars because they ___ less air pollution than older cars.
 - A. collect
 - B. cause
 - C. keep
 - D. require

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II. Complete the sentences using the words in the box. You will NOT use all the words.

community	empty	ask	
instead	post	product	spoiled

1. If you apply for the job, remember to _____ for a reference letter from your last employer.
2. I thought the house next door was _____, but I just saw a man at the window.
3. Polly doesn't like driving in a lot of traffic. She prefers to take the bus _____.
4. Did you forget to put the milk in the fridge? It's _____.
5. I will _____ the photos of Venice on my social network so my friends can see them.

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Reading

Read the text. Then answer the questions.

Songdo: A Smart City

Songdo, in South Korea, is an hour from Seoul—the world's fourth-largest city. The government started building Songdo in 2005 and has spent about \$40 billion on the city. Songdo is built on an artificial island formed from 500 million tons of sand. In 2015, the population was 70,000. When Songdo is finished in 2018, the government expects that more than 200,000 people will live there.

Songdo is a calmer city than Seoul. About 40 percent of the city is green space, which is more than most other cities. There is a large park—Central Park—where people can relax and enjoy nature. A variety of animals live in the park, including rabbits and deer. However, the city wasn't designed only for fun and relaxation. There are universities and office buildings. Now, more than 50,000 employees come to work in the International Business District, which has the tallest building in South Korea.

Let's take a look at some of Songdo's smart characteristics. Around the city is a network of sensors. This technology gives information about things like the temperature and traffic conditions. For example, the sensors tell people where car parking spaces are available. However, many people choose to ride bicycles instead. They can conveniently park the bikes in rows outside the apartment buildings.

The city has a high-tech waste management system. There are no garbage trucks. Trash goes directly from people's homes through an underground network that connects the whole city. The trash ends up in a central place for recycling. In the near future, the waste will be used as a source of renewable energy.

Another innovation is a system called "telepresence," a personal video service. People can use their TVs to talk to anyone around the world or take classes in English. Soon, people will be able to control their home appliances, such as TVs and washing machines, from their smartphones.

Songdo is a wonderful example of a smart city. The architects have used new technology, modern building design, and the best environmental practices to create a city of tomorrow.

III. Write T if the sentence is true, or F if it is false.

1. ___ Songdo is the fourth-largest city in South Korea.
2. ___ Songdo was specially designed as a city for people to live, work, and study.
3. ___ Trash is collected by a network of garbage trucks that connects the whole city.

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IV. Vocabulary Strategies - Choose the best answer: A, B, or C according to the text on page 5.

1. Which of the following is a shortened form of a word?
 - A. fun
 - B. trash
 - C. bike
2. Which sentence includes a comparative adjective?
 - A. Songdo, in South Korea, is an hour from Seoul—the world's fourth-largest city.
 - B. Songdo is a calmer city than Seoul.
 - C. The architects have used new technology, modern building design, and the best environmental practices to create a city of tomorrow.
3. What is the definition of a sensor?
 - A. a kind of technology that gives information
 - B. a form of transportation to help people get around the city
 - C. a place where people can park their cars or bikes
4. What part of speech is the underlined word in the sentence?
They can conveniently park the bikes in rows outside the apartment buildings.
 - A. noun
 - B. verb
 - C. adjective

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

1. Which sentence is an opinion?
 - A. Songdo is built on an artificial island formed from 500 million tons of sand.
 - B. However, the city wasn't designed only for fun and relaxation.
 - C. Songdo is a wonderful example of a smart city.
2. Which sentence shows the next event in the sequence?
 1. The government started building Songdo in 2005. 2. Now, more than 50,000 come to work there.
 3. ____
 - A. In 2015, the population was 70,000.
 - B. Soon, people will be able to control their home appliances from their smartphones.
 - C. Songdo is built on an artificial island formed from 500 million tons of sand.
3. Which sentence is a prediction?
 - A. When Songdo is finished in 2018, the government expects that more than 200,000 people will live there.
 - B. In the near future, the waste will be used as a source of renewable energy.
 - C. People can use their TVs to talk to anyone around the world or take classes in English.

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

1. Stella is very _____. She never interrupts people when they talk.
 - A. polite
 - B. friendly
 - C. talkative
 - D. happy
2. Leigh and Marcus share many common _____. They enjoy traveling and visiting museums.
 - A. meetings
 - B. behaviors
 - C. interests
 - D. rules
3. My neighbor Bao is very good at math. He always _____ to help me with my homework.
 - A. offers
 - B. invites
 - C. studies
 - D. compliments
4. Our grandmother is the _____ of our family. Her house is always full of relatives.
 - A. welcome
 - B. attention
 - C. community
 - D. center
5. Haiyin loves to go shopping. She likes to save money, so she always _____ with the salespeople.
 - A. shouts
 - B. greets
 - C. bargains
 - D. searches
6. This town has a lot of parks, trees, and fresh air. It is a _____ place for children to grow up.
 - A. healthy
 - B. strong
 - C. public
 - D. busy
7. Hoa had a very happy _____. She grew up in a good family, and she is very close to her brothers and sisters.
 - A. community
 - B. group
 - C. relatives
 - D. childhood

8. Many people use public ___ in New York City because it is faster than driving a car.
- A. traffic
B. transportation
C. streets
D. buildings
9. Spiders are good for the environment. Some people are afraid of them, but not all spiders are ___.
- A. wild
B. strange
C. dangerous
D. friendly
10. When Walter moved to Dubai, he did not ___ to find lovely beaches.
- A. expect
B. notice
C. realize
D. know

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II. Complete the sentences. Use the words in the box.

appreciate	more	career	opportunity	free
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Many 21st-century teenagers have very different lifestyles compared to when their parents were young. Today's teenagers have (1) _____ information about the world. My father never had the (2) _____ to go to college. He started working on my grandparents' farm when he was 16. He and my uncles used to go fishing in their (3) _____ time. I am 19, and I am very serious about having a successful (4) _____. I (5) _____ that my father worked hard so that my brother and I will have a better future.

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

- When my sister and I go to California, we like **to visiting** / **to visit** our relatives.
- The store smells good. **It has** / **They have** fresh bread and hot soup.
- Live** / **Living** in a safe neighborhood is important to Leah's family.
- Grandfather always tells stories about the past. He **had** / **has** an adventurous childhood.
- The people in Jan's building **was** / **were** not quiet. There **was** / **were** a lot of noise.
- After the city **build** / **built** the museum, it **became** / **become** a popular place **to met** / **to meet**.
- When our father was a teenager, he **did not have** / **did not had** much money **to spend** / **spent**.

