SOCRATES

Module C — Full Practice Exam · 90 minutes · 100 points

WRITTEN RECEPTION (70 points)

(ACCESS TO INFORMATION FROM WRITTEN TEXTS)

Read the text and then answer questions 1–8. In the multiple-choice questions, circle the number of the correct answer. In the other questions, follow the instructions.

HELPING GRANDPARENTS WITH TECHNOLOGY

I Grandparents today live in a world full of computers and smartphones, but many of them grew up without these machines, so modern technology can be quite difficult for them. Luckily, they have the finest teachers in the world at home: their own grandchildren. All over the world, young people are patiently helping their grandparents learn to use phones, applications and the internet, and in many families this happens at the kitchen table, with one telephone and two cups of tea.

II What exactly do grandchildren teach? Usually, they begin with the most important skill of all — video calls. When Grandma learns to make a video call, she can see her family every day, even if they live far away. After that, children demonstrate how to send messages, take photographs and find old songs from their youth on the internet. One boy from Haifa taught his grandfather to use a map application, and now Grandpa never gets lost in the busy city.

III This kind of help completely changes the lives of older people. Grandparents who use the internet can consult their doctors online, read the news and order food from home, so they feel closer to their families and considerably less alone. The grandchildren benefit too, because they spend special time with their grandparents, learn to explain things simply and hear wonderful stories about the past.

IV Teaching a grandparent certainly requires patience, so go slowly and demonstrate each thing many times. It also helps enormously to write simple steps on paper, so Grandpa can look at them whenever he feels confused*. Never laugh at their mistakes, because your grandparents once taught you how to walk, talk and eat, and now it is finally your turn to teach them something completely new.* confused — מבולבל

QUESTIONS — PART I (70 points)

1. According to paragraph I, why is new technology difficult for many grandparents?

i. Because they grew up without these machines.
ii. Because phones are too expensive for them.
iii. Because their grandchildren do not help them.
iv. Because they do not have computers at home.

(7 points)

2. Video calls change life for Grandma. COMPLETE: When Grandma learns to make a video call, she can

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(9 points)

3. What do children show their grandparents after video calls? Give ONE example. (paragraph II)

ANSWER:

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(8 points)

4. What can grandparents who use the internet do? Give ONE example. (paragraph III)

ANSWER:

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(8 points)

5. According to paragraph III, how do the grandchildren win when they help?

i. They spend special time with their grandparents and hear stories about the past.
ii. They get money for every lesson they give.
iii. They receive new phones from their grandparents.
iv. They finish their schoolwork faster.

(8 points)

6. Mark the TWO statements that are true according to the text.

- ☐ Grandchildren should laugh when their grandparents make mistakes.
- ☐ Writing simple steps on paper can help grandparents.
- ☐ Grandparents who use the internet feel more alone.
- ☐ It is best to show each thing only one time.
- ☐ Video calls help Grandma see her family, even from far away.
- ☐ Grandparents never taught their grandchildren anything.

(2×7=14 points)

7. Why is it a good idea to write simple steps on paper? (paragraph IV)

ANSWER:

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(8 points)

8. According to paragraph IV, what did grandparents teach their grandchildren? Give ONE example.

ANSWER:

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(8 points)

PART II — WRITTEN PRODUCTION (30 points)

9. *(30 points)*

Many parents want their children to help with housework, like washing dishes or cleaning their rooms. Do you think children should help with housework? Write your opinion and explain why. Write 70–90 words in English.

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FINAL VERSION / גרסה סופית (words 90–70)

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