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OPTION: A

MASS TOURISM CAN KILL A CITY

- 1 We have all been a tourist at some point, but citizens of great cities like Venice or Barcelona are trying
2 to defend their traditional neighbourhoods from the massive invasion of tourists. The last local underwear
3 shop in Venice closed a decade ago. This means that residents of this city of islands have to go to the
4 mainland for such essential purchases. This is a warning sign. Any city that concentrates too much on
5 mass tourism will be abandoned by its people when they can no longer pay the cost of housing, food and
6 basic everyday necessities.
- 7 We're starting to see Venice without Venetians. It's also happening in Barcelona, a city of 2 million
8 inhabitants that received 7.5 million tourists last year. The local authorities say that they want to increase
9 this to 10 million visitors per year. These figures have led to open conflict this summer. There have been
10 neighbourhood assemblies and protests against the situation, because in popular places of the city the
11 scale of visitor numbers is affecting not only residents' quality of life, but their very ability to live in the area.
- 12 Neighbourhood communities are essential to the culture of southern Europe. Yet, people who live in
13 popular tourist areas are at risk of being forced out by speculators who raise the rents of apartments and
14 shops. The people who have always lived in these areas are forced to leave or, if they don't, they suffer
15 consequences such as noise and pollution levels that are difficult to combine with daily life. It's
16 paradoxical, but uncontrolled mass tourism ends up destroying the things that made a city attractive to
17 visitors in the first place: the unique atmosphere of the local culture.

I * COMPREHENSION (This section consists of six items combining 'True/False' and/or 'Multiple Choice' questions) (3 points)
CHOOSE AND WRITE THE CORRECT OPTION (A, B, C or D). (0.5 points each)

1. Tourism in Venice

- (a) is vital for the city. (b) will reach 10 million tourists a day by next year.
(c) is less massive than in Barcelona. (d) affects negatively small local businesses.

2. Tourism affects the life of residents because....

- (a) it is difficult to walk through the streets. (b) tourists tend to come only in summer.
(c) tourists don't understand local culture. (d) they have to live with higher noise and pollution levels.

ARE THESE STATEMENTS TRUE OR FALSE? JUSTIFY YOUR ANSWERS WITH THE PRECISE WORDS OR PHRASES FROM THE TEXT (0.5 points each)

3. **The inhabitants of Barcelona are very proud to receive a lot of tourists.**
4. **Mass tourism contributes to increase the cost of living in traditional areas.**
5. **Local authorities in Barcelona are trying to control the number of visitors.**
6. **Mass tourism makes a city even more attractive to new visitors.**

II * USE OF ENGLISH (4 points; questions 7-12, 0.25 points each; 13-17, 0.5 points each)

7. GIVE A VERB WITH THE SAME ROOT AS "invasion" (noun) (Line 2).
8. FILL IN THE GAP WITH THE CORRECT OPTION: "I wish you made ... your mind." out / about / up / after
9. FIND IN THE TEXT ONE SYNONYM FOR "number" (noun).
10. WHICH WORD IS NOT AN ADJECTIVE? southern / easy / friendly / jealousy.
11. FIND IN THE TEXT THE WORD WHICH HAS THE FOLLOWING DEFINITION: "things that you buy"
12. FILL IN THE GAP WITH A CORRECT FORM OF THE VERB IN BRACKETS. "I (study) for two weeks."
13. REWRITE THE SENTENCE WITHOUT CHANGING ITS MEANING. BEGIN AS INDICATED: "I don't type as fast as you do." You type ...
14. GIVE A QUESTION FOR THE UNDERLINED WORDS: Peter bought his sister's flat.
15. REWRITE THE SENTENCE CORRECTLY: "I looking forward to run the New York Marathon."
16. USE THE WORDS IN THE BOXES TO MAKE A MEANINGFUL SENTENCE. USE ALL AND ONLY THE WORDS IN THE BOXES WITHOUT GHANGING IS FORM:

money	I	enjoy	when	spending	on	I	am	holidays
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17. JOIN THE SENTENCES USING A RELATIVE. MAKE CHANGES IF NECESSARY.

Mary is studying violin. She was born in Venice.

III * PRODUCTION (3 points)

18. WRITE A COMPOSITION OF APPROXIMATELY 120 WORDS ABOUT THE TOPIC PROPOSED AND FOCUS STRICTLY ON IT:
As a tourist, which places would you like to visit or which activities would you like to do? Explain.

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OPTION B

VIDEOGAMES

1 A teenager died at an Internet cafe in Taiwan after reportedly playing a videogame for 40 hours
2 straight. The 18-year-old, who has only been identified by his first name, Chuang, had booked a private
3 room in an Internet cafe in southern Taiwan. Chuang then proceeded to play the videogame for 40 hours
4 straight without eating. The next day, an attendant went into the room where Chuang had been playing
5 and found the teen resting on the table. The attendant was able to wake Chuang, who stood up, took a
6 few steps and then collapsed onto the ground. He was pronounced dead soon after arriving at the
7 hospital. Authorities believe the teenager may have suffered a heart attack due to sitting for such a long
8 period of time.

9 The video game he had been playing was of the role play variety and very popular due to its
10 repeated scheme of killing the monsters, finding the treasure and then escaping from the beast's den.
11 What made it so addictive, particularly when it got to the end of the game, was the fact that repetitive
12 actions are necessary to develop our character's strength till you are able to overcome the boss level.

13 Regarding the teen's death, the developer of the game said: "We're saddened to hear this news.
14 Though we recognize that it's eventually up to each individual or their parent or guardian to determine
15 playing habits, we feel that moderation is clearly important, and that a person's day-to-day life should be
16 more important than any form of entertainment." Chuang is not the first individual to die following a long
17 gaming session. Last February, 23-year-old Chen Rong-yu was found dead after having played a
18 videogame for 23 hours.

I * COMPREHENSION (This section consists of six items combining 'True/False' and/or 'Multiple Choice' questions) (3 points)
CHOOSE AND WRITE THE CORRECT OPTION (A, B, C or D). (0.5 points each)

1. **A teenager died because ...**

- (a) he was too old to play videogames very long. (b) he was eating too much while playing.
(c) he was playing a videogame too long without stopping. (d) he was standing all the time without sitting.

2. **The attendant ...**

- (a) found him dead on the computer table. (b) called the police the next day.
(c) woke the teenager up and then the boy fell down. (d) pronounced he was dead when he saw him.

ARE THESE STATEMENTS TRUE OR FALSE? JUSTIFY YOUR ANSWERS WITH THE PRECISE WORDS OR PHRASES FROM THE TEXT (0.5 points each)

3. **The developer of the game feels directly responsible for the teenager's death.**

4. **The videogame was based on a successful formula.**

5. **The game he was playing did not cause any particular dependence.**

6. **Excessive videogame playing has caused more than one death**

II * USE OF ENGLISH (4 points; questions 7-12, 0.25 points each; 13-17, 0.5 points each)

7. FIND IN THE TEXT ONE OPPOSITE FOR "alive" (adjective).

8. GIVE A NOUN WITH THE SAME ROOT AS "refuse" (verb).

9. FIND IN THE TEXT ONE SYNONYM FOR "fall down" (verb).

10. FILL IN THE GAP WITH THE CORRECT OPTION: "Would you mind with me?" to come / coming / came / come

11. FIND IN THE TEXT THE WORD WHICH HAS THE FOLLOWING DEFINITION: "One who makes decisions, exercises authority or directs and supervises workers."

12. WHICH WORD DOES NOT HAVE THE SAME MEANING? embarrassing / awesome / amazing / astonishing

13. USE THE WORDS IN THE BOXES TO MAKE A MEANINGFUL SENTENCE. USE ALL AND ONLY THE WORDS IN THE BOXES WITHOUT CHANGING THEIR FORM:

addictive	young	videogames	not	people	should	for	so	be
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14. JOIN THE SENTENCES USING A RELATIVE. MAKE CHANGES IF NECESSARY. "My nephew loved videogames. He had won an international competition."

15. TURN THE FOLLOWING SENTENCE INTO DIRECT SPEECH: The man asked him if his visit would take long.

16. TURN THE FOLLOWING SENTENCE INTO THE ACTIVE VOICE: The computer game was bought for 65€.

17. GIVE A QUESTION FOR THE UNDERLINED WORDS: They felt sad when they heard the news.

III * PRODUCTION (3 points)

18. Write a composition of approximately 120 WORDS ABOUT THE TOPIC PROPOSED. you must FOCUS STRICTLY ON IT: Do you think parents should limit the time their children spend on the computer? Discuss.